

ADMISSIONS

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi considers itself to be an advocate of opportunity, particularly for those persons residing in the South Texas Region. Accordingly, the admission standards and policies of the University have been designed to identify students who show potential for academic success.

Undergraduate Admission

There are eight categories of undergraduate admission to the University:

- Regular Freshman Admission
- Conditional Freshman Admission
- Transfer Admission
- Transient Admission
- International Admission
- Postbaccalaureate Admission
- High School Dual Enrollment
- Readmission

These categories and their associated requirements are described below.

Applications to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi through any of the eight admission categories will be processed only after all requirements have been received. An application is considered to be complete only when the Office of Recruitment and Admissions (<http://admissions.tamucc.edu/>) has received all required documentation, including completed application forms, and any other information or fees specifically required. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

Completed applications are processed as they are received, and applicants are usually informed of their admission status within three to four weeks if regular admission is met. Conditional admission decisions are made in the spring semester.

Application materials and information concerning all aspects of the admissions process may be obtained directly from:

Office of Recruitment and Admissions
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
6300 Ocean Drive, Unit 5774
Corpus Christi, TX 78412-5774
Telephone: (361) 825-2624

Prospective students are strongly urged to apply early to ensure consideration for scholarships, their choice of housing floor plans, and early orientation registration.

Application Fee

Applicants applying or reapplying to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi are required to pay a non-refundable application fee of \$40. The fee may be waived only in exceptional cases for applicants with financial hardships. An applicant in such circumstances should request his or her high school counselor, financial aid officer, or social worker to submit a letter verifying the need for a waiver with the application for admission. Applications submitted after the published deadline for the intended semester of enrollment will be assessed an additional \$10 late application fee.

Applicants who are not U.S. citizens are considered through International Admission. For international applicants, the nonrefundable application

fee is \$75.00, paid in U.S. currency. Applications submitted after the published deadline for the intended semester of enrollment will be assessed an additional \$10 late application fee.

Freshman Admission Procedure Application and Transcript Submission

A student may apply for admission by completing the ApplyTexas Application (for U.S. Freshman Admission) online at www.applytexas.org (<http://www.goapplytexas.org>). Upon completion of the application, an applicant should submit appropriate application fee to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. The student must request

1. for their high school registrar to send an official transcript indicating grades through the applicant's junior year to include their class rank and GPA and
2. confirm the courses that will be completed through their senior year via the ApplyTexas application.

Any student who has already graduated from high school at the time of application must provide an official final transcript, which includes the date of graduation, class rank, and grades for all courses taken and the official high school graduation plan. To be considered official, a transcript must be sent directly from the granting institution and bear an original signature of a school official and/or the school seal. Additionally, official transcripts can be sent electronically from the granting institution. Applicants should submit the application, transcript, application fee, and any supporting credentials directly to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.

Testing

Submission of standardized test scores are optional for first-time freshman applicants. Instead, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will utilize the combination of the student's high school class rank and GPA. Students may still submit SAT and/or ACT test scores for admission to be considered if they are sent through a secondary review.

If a student selects to submit test scores, they must take either the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) or American College Test (ACT). Students are encouraged to take the SAT or the ACT during the spring of their junior year in high school. However, scores from tests taken later are acceptable if submitted by the freshman admission deadlines.

The SAT and ACT are offered at conveniently located testing centers throughout the United States and in major cities in many foreign countries. Testing dates, locations, and fees required are described in the information bulletin, which may be obtained from the student's high school or accessing the College Board website at <https://www.collegeboard.org/>, or by accessing the ACT website at <https://www.act.org/>.

When registering, designate that the results be sent to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi by the testing agency. Test scores may also be submitted on the official high school transcript. Test scores are not official and will not be accepted unless furnished in these manners. For Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, the SAT code is 0366 and the ACT code is 4045.

Admission Requirements

State of Texas Uniform Admissions Policy

Texas Education Code (TEC) 51.803 – 51.809 requires all first-time freshmen seeking admission at a public four-year institution in Texas to

satisfy one of the following college readiness standards in order to be eligible to be considered for admission.

- Successfully complete a high school curriculum equivalent in content and rigor; or
- Satisfy ACT College Readiness Benchmarks (English- 18, Reading- 22, Mathematics- 22, and Science- 23); or
- Satisfy SAT College Readiness Benchmarks of a 480 on the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) test and a minimum score of 530 on the mathematics test.

If a student attends an out-of-state school or is home-schooled, they are exempt from the Uniform Admission Policy. If a student attends a private school in Texas, they must meet the Uniformed Admissions Policy or submit a High School Course Certification Form.

Regular Freshman Admission

U.S. Freshman applicants are United States citizens or permanent residents of the United States who have not been enrolled in any college-level institution except while still in high school or during the summer immediately following high school graduation and before enrolling in Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi for the subsequent fall. Freshman applicants are also called “first-year” applicants.

The units of study and acceptable high school courses are:

Code	Title	Hours
	English	4
	Laboratory Science (at least one of which must be in Biology, Chemistry or Physics)	4
	Mathematics (at the level of Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II and a higher math)	4
	Social Studies (which includes Economics)	3
	Foreign Language (in one foreign language or American Sign Language)	2

Students who have graduated in the top 50% of their high school classes and who successfully complete the required pre-college curriculum are admitted without minimum SAT or ACT score requirements

Students in the first and second quarters of their graduating class will be guaranteed admission. Test scores optional; primary review of weighted GPA and class rank.

Students in the third and fourth quarters of their graduating class will go through a secondary review. Test scores are optional; review considers combination of success indicators including test scores, weighted GPA, and high school class rank.

All GED graduates are to present their State of Texas Official Certificate of High School Equivalency indicating a test passing status with a certificate issue date and certificate number.

Holders of GED certificates who seek admission are also subject to Regular Admission Requirements as shown below:

SAT Composite Score	New Redesigned SAT Composite Score (March 2016 and forward)	ACT Composite Score
1,000	1080	21

Those applicants who do not meet these standards will be considered for conditional admission by going through a secondary review.

Freshman Admission Priority Application Dates

To ensure full consideration, the ApplyTexas Application, required transcripts, and any supporting documentation/requirements must be in the Office of Recruitment and Admissions by the following priority dates:

Semester	Date
Fall Semester	July 1
Spring Semester	November 1
Summer Session	April 1

Completed applications received after the deadline date but before the beginning of regular registration will be processed as received.

Conditional Freshman Admission

Those students who do not meet regular admission requirements may be considered for Conditional Freshman Admission. The Undergraduate Admissions Committee will convene early Spring semester to review applications for consideration. In addition to reviewing the student’s class rank, GPA, standardized test scores, and high school courses, the committee will consider other factors such as participation in extracurricular activities, including evidence of leadership; community service; talents and awards; extenuating circumstances; and employment, internships, and summer activities. International students cannot be admitted under Conditional Admission.

Applicants are considered under this procedure on a case-by-case basis. Students admitted under Conditional Freshman Admission will be subject to specific enrollment conditions based on the applicant’s individual circumstances. These conditions may include enrolling in prescribed developmental course work, participating in tutoring sessions and other academic support activities, and meeting other conditions designed to promote academic success.

Exceptional Talent Policy

Admission based upon exceptional talent provides an important pathway to higher education for students who do not meet regular admissions criteria but who have outstanding abilities and/or experience. Accordingly, a select group of applicants may be considered for admission because they possess exceptional talents that are important to the intellectual vitality and prestige of the university community of the university community. Areas identified for consideration under exceptional talent admissions include outstanding achievement in intellectual or creative endeavors including the visual and performing arts, communications, athletics, and other experiences that demonstrate unusual promise for leadership.

To determine eligibility, a student must document for the Undergraduate Admissions Committee his or her talent through an audition, portfolio, videotape, or written evidence of exceptional performance. Three written recommendations from individuals who are knowledgeable about the student’s performance in his or her talent area are required. In the final selection of these students, the Undergraduate Admissions Committee must also take into consideration the academic record of each applicant to determine his or her potential to graduate in a timely manner and successfully complete his or her academic career. Applications considered under the Exceptional Talent Policy will be on a case-by-case basis. Students admitted to the University by way of their

exceptional talent may be required to take additional leveling courses at the request of the Undergraduate Admissions Committee.

Transfer Admission

It is the goal of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi to maintain a transfer-friendly reputation. Students who have earned 24 or more transferable semester hours of credit and who wish to transfer to the University must have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale. Those students who wish to transfer with fewer than 24 transferable hours of credit must have minimum cumulative of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale and must also satisfy the regular freshman entry requirements. A transfer applicant may not disregard his or her college record and apply for admission as a freshman. The following additional rules also apply:

1. The applicant must provide official transcripts from each college or university attended. To be considered official, the transcript must bear the seal of the granting institution and must be submitted to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi by the granting institution.
2. No remedial or duplicate credits may be transferred.
3. The applicant must be eligible to return to his or her previous institution.
4. The cumulative GPA includes all work attempted, excluding remedial, high school, or duplicate courses.
5. Repeated courses are calculated within the GPA according to the standards and rules of the granting institution. When multiple institutions of higher education have been attended, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will use the highest repeated course grade in the grade point calculation.

Transfer Admission Priority Application Dates

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi has rolling admission, however we encourage students to apply early to qualify for federal student aid and scholarships. To ensure full consideration, the completed ApplyTexas Application (for U.S. Transfer Admission) and all required documents and supporting material must be on file in the Office of Recruitment and Admissions by the following **priority** dates:

Semester	Date
Fall Semester	July 1
Spring Semester	November 1
Summer Session	April 1

Transient Admission

Students who are pursuing a degree at another college or university may be admitted as transient students if they provide proof of enrollment in good standing at their home college or university. Such students must complete an ApplyTexas Application (for Transient Admission) and submit an official transcript from their current institution of enrollment. Enrollment as a transient student is restricted to the summers or one long semester. Summer transient students must reapply each summer that enrollment is sought. Students admitted as transient students who later wish to pursue a degree at this University may do so by completing the regular admission process and meeting all admission requirements. International students cannot be admitted as transient students.

International Admission

International students (non-U.S. citizens) with outstanding academic records will be considered for admission. International students who

seek admission to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi must meet the following requirements:

1. Application and Fee: A completed ApplyTexas Application (for either International Freshman Admission or International Transfer Admission) and a \$75 application fee are required.
2. Testing: Prospective students from other countries must demonstrate the ability to speak, write and understand the English language. Prospective students whose native language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) examination or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) examination unless:
 - The applicant completed a bachelor's degree at a U.S. or Canadian institution of higher education, or
 - completing all four years in a high school within the U.S. and obtaining a subsequent U.S. high school degree (undergraduates)
 - a minimum TOEFL IBT score of 73, or,
 - a minimum TOEFL Paper-Based score of 537, or,
 - a minimum TOEFL CBT score of 205, or,
 - a minimum SAT Evidence Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) score of 550 (undergraduates), or
 - a minimum ACT English score of 21 (undergraduates), or,
 - a minimum PTE Academic score of 53
 - A minimum IELTS Academic test score of 6.0 overall band for both undergraduate and graduate students (TAMUCC does not accept the IELTS General test), or,
 - Duolingo English Test and English3: TAMU-CC is currently accepting both the Duolingo English Test and English3 online assessments from applicants where TOEFL and IELTS exams are impacted due to Coronavirus (COVID-19) concerns. Applicants from affected countries may submit Duolingo English Test scores of 100 (105 on Duolingo English3) to satisfy English proficiency requirements.
 - Cambridge CI Advanced Proficiency Test (Cambridge CAE) of 175, or,
 - Cambridge C2 Proficiency Test (Cambridge CPE) of 180.
 - The applicant provides other compelling evidence of English proficiency to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.
 - The applicant successfully completed two years of instruction (taught in the English Language) at a US or Canadian high school or college.

The TOEFL is administered by the Educational Testing Service in over 200 centers around the world. A registration form and a "Bulletin of Information for Candidates" may be obtained by writing to:

TOEFL Registration Office
P.O. Box 6151
Princeton, New Jersey 08541-6151, USA

Applicants from the following countries will be exempt from the TOEFL or IELTS requirements:

- American Samoa
- Anguilla
- Antigua and Barbuda
- Australia
- Bahamas

- Barbados
- Belize
- Bermuda
- British Virgin Islands
- Canada (except Quebec)
- Cayman Islands
- Dominica
- Federated States of Micronesia
- Gambia
- Ghana
- Gibraltar
- Grenada
- Guyana
- Ireland
- Jamaica
- Liberia
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- Saint Kitts and Nevis
- Saint Lucia
- Trinidad/Tobago
- Turks and Caicos Islands
- United Kingdom

Freshman international applicants may have their test scores for either the Scholastic Assessment Tests (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT) submitted to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.

3. Transcripts: The University requires all transcripts from international high schools, colleges and universities to be evaluated by a certified evaluation agency approved by the Executive Director of Recruitment and Admissions. The evaluation report must be submitted by the agency to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions. A list of approved evaluation agencies is available from the Office of Recruitment and Admissions (<http://admissions.tamucc.edu/>).

4. Grade Point Average (GPA): A cumulative GPA of 2.5 for all work attempted at other U.S. colleges or universities is required.

5. Finances: The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi require all international applicants to provide an "Affidavit of Support" form certifying ability to finance study in the U.S. The Affidavit of Support must be completed with U.S. currency figures only.

6. Immunizations and Related Requirements: International students are required to have a tuberculin skin test or chest x-ray and must meet all immunization requirements.

7. Health Insurance: All international students (students who are not citizens or permanent residents of the United States) must be covered by the Texas A&M University System's student health insurance plan or show proof of an equivalent insurance coverage. Students without insurance will not be permitted to register for classes. For information, contact the Coordinator of International Student Services.

International students should contact the Office of Recruitment and Admissions for further information on admission requirements for international students.

The admission application review will not begin until all required documents are received by the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.

An international student must be enrolled for a minimum of 12 semester hours during both the spring and fall semesters. An international student may not be admitted in undergraduate transient (visiting) or non-degree status. An international student sponsored by a program in a regionally accredited college or university may be admitted with the approval of the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.

International Admission Priority Application Dates

The completed ApplyTexas Application for admission of international students and all required documents and supporting material must be on file by the following priority dates:

Semester	Date
Fall Semester	June 1
Spring Semester	November 1
Summer Session	April 1

International Student Advising

The Office of International Education oversees all academic and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) requirements of F-1 students attending A&M-Corpus Christi. International students are required to report to the Coordinator of International Student Services at the beginning of each semester to maintain accurate status and essential information. The Coordinator of International Student Services assists students with forms and paperwork required for optional and curricular practical training, changes on the I-20 form, change of status, reinstatement, and medical insurance.

For additional information regarding international students, contact the Coordinator of International Student Services in the Office of International Education at (361) 825-3346.

Postbaccalaureate Admission

A student holding a baccalaureate or higher degree who intends to seek an additional bachelor's degree or an additional undergraduate program, or who intends to take undergraduate course work required for Texas public school teacher certification, should seek admission as postbaccalaureate student. Postbaccalaureate students may enroll in undergraduate-level courses (numbered below 5000) only. The following documents are required as part of the application process:

1. A completed ApplyTexas Application form.
2. A nonrefundable \$40 application fee.
3. Official transcripts documenting all course work taken at any regionally accredited college or university attended and the degree awarded at the completion of all coursework. Official transcripts must be submitted directly to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi by the granting institutions.

High School Dual Enrollment

TAMU-CC offers high school students the opportunity to earn dual credit; a dual credit course is a class that awards both high school and college credit upon completion. High school students who wish to enroll at the University may do so if they are enrolled in the Islander Academy.

The Islander Academy allows high school students from an approved high school with an memorandum of agreement with the university to take college classes at TAMU-CC. Students must complete an

Islander Academy application. For more information see <https://www.tamucc.edu/academics/support/islander-academy/index.php>.

Qualifications for the Islander Academy:

- You must be a current high school student that attends a school that has an agreement with TAMU-CC for their students to participate in the Islander Academy.
- You must have the approval of your legal guardian/parent, your high school counselor and your high school principal
- You must enroll in a course selected from the list of approved dual credit courses for TAMU-CC
- You must be prepared to function in an adult learning environment
- You must meet the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirement for reading, writing and math skills prior to enrolling in courses or meet the exemption standards.

High school students admitted under the Islander Academy will be advised by the Islander Advising Center. All students admitted into Islander Academy are subject to all Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Texas A&M University System, State of Texas, and federal rules and regulations applicable to degree-seeking students.

Students admitted under this program who wish to continue their degree with TAMU-CC following high school graduation must reapply for admission.

Readmission

Students who have a previous enrollment history with Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi but have not been enrolled for one (1) or more years are required to complete a new ApplyTexas Application. Re-enrollees who have not been enrolled in any postsecondary institution prior to the term for which they are applying and are in good academic standing with the University are eligible for admission.

Students who have enrolled at another institution prior to their return to the University are required to submit official transcripts from all postsecondary institutions attended since leaving A&M-Corpus Christi and must satisfy transfer admission requirements.

Academic Fresh Start Legislation

The "Right to an Academic Fresh Start" legislation, passed by the 73rd Texas Legislature, entitles residents of this state to seek admission to public institutions of higher education as undergraduate students without consideration of courses undertaken ten or more years prior to enrollment. This law gives students the option of electing to have coursework taken ten or more years prior to the starting date of the semester in which the applicant seeks to enroll either counted as usual or ignored for admission purposes. Applicants who elect to apply for admission under this law and who are admitted as students may not receive any course credit for courses undertaken ten or more years prior to enrollment.

The intent of the "Fresh Start" legislation is to provide students with an opportunity to clear their academic records, if they choose to do so, of all college-level work accumulated ten or more years ago. Students may not pick and choose what is to be ignored and what is not. Either all college hours ten or more years old are ignored or they are counted. Applicants interested in seeking a "Fresh Start" should contact the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.

Immunization and Related Requirements

Recommended Vaccinations

Students are encouraged to submit immunization records voluntarily in order to assure the availability of a more complete medical record while a student at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi. Student Health Services strongly recommends that every student, and their family members, review our updated list of immunizations most appropriate for university students. This list of recommended vaccines was compiled by the American College Health Association (ACHA) with assistance from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). See Recommended Immunizations (<https://www.tamucc.edu/health-center/immunizations.php>).

Tuberculosis Screening Procedure

Until you have provided a negative TB Testing Result or negative chest X-ray to the University Health Center, students are NOT to report to campus.

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC), in consideration of the recommendations from the American College Health Association (April 2016), has developed a procedure for mandatory TB screening of ALL newly admitted international students. Upon being admitted to TAMU-CC, ALL International Students will have a TB hold placed on their account. Below is the process with which international students must comply:

- A newly admitted international student will be required to provide proof of a negative skin test, negative IGRA blood test, or negative X-ray to the TAMU-CC Health Center (located in Sandpiper Building) to gain access to campus.
- A PPD skin test must be taken in the United States no more than six (6) months prior to the start of the semester and after the visit or residency outside of the United States.
- A TB Clinic will be made available each semester prior to International Islander Launch (orientation) and classes beginning for the TB hold to be removed.

Options for Removing TB Hold

Upon a negative result provided to the TAMU-CC Health Center from any of the following, the TB hold will be removed from student account.

- Take the PPD test during the TB clinic being offered by the TAMU-CC Health Center. The cost (\$12) of the TB test will be added to your student account.
- Take the IGRA blood test and get a negative result at the Nueces County Health Department for \$15. Please note that results may take 3-5 days to receive.
- Take the test at pharmacies and physician's offices at the student's expense.
- Get an order from the TAMU-CC Health Center and take a chest X-ray at Radiology Associates. Costs are estimated at \$17, which can be paid in cash, or an insurance card may be presented for a claim to be made.

Positive TB Results

- If a student receives a positive result from the PPD skin test, the TAMU-CC Health Center staff will provide you with next steps which usually entail getting a chest X-ray and denial of access to campus.

- If the X-ray is positive, the student must make immediate contact with the Nueces County Public Health District at 361.826.7247 for further testing. The Health District is at 1702 Horne Road, Room 113.

Non-compliance with the TB Testing Procedures can:

- cause serious illness and death.
- result in not having access to campus.
- result in removal of access to Canvas, which means the student will not have access to class materials.
- result in disenrollment from the university.
- affect a student's ability to stay in the United States on an F1 or J1 Visa.
- result in a conduct referral.
- require intervention by a university official.

TB Testing for Continuing Students

International students who travel outside of the United States while enrolled are required to meet with the International Student Programs & Support office in University Center 226 to receive permission and signatures for travel. A TB hold will be placed on the student's account once approval is granted for travel. Upon returning from traveling abroad, students must take a TB skin test (or other options listed under section titled Options for Removing TB Hold) through the University Health Center and provide negative TB results for the hold to be removed.

Appeals

Any exceptions or appeals will be considered by the Associate Vice President Student Support & Dean of Students. Appeals should be submitted via email to deanofstudents@tamucc.edu.

Campus Contact

For additional information on these procedures, please contact the TAMU-CC Health Center by calling 361.825.2601.

For More Information about TB

Center for Disease Control: <http://www.cdc.gov/tb/>

The World Health Organization: <http://www.who.int/tb/en/>

TAMU-CC Health Center: <https://www.tamucc.edu/health-center/>

Bacterial Meningitis Vaccination Policy

In accordance with Texas Senate Bill 1107 (amended by SB 62, effective October 1, 2013), Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi requires all new students under the age of 22 to provide certified proof from a health practitioner that they have received a valid bacterial meningitis vaccination or booster within the last five years. Students must submit proof of vaccination or booster at least 10 days prior to the intended start of the term of enrollment.

A new entering student includes a first-time student of an institution of higher education or private or independent institution of higher education and includes a transfer student, or a student who previously attended an institution of higher education before January 1, 2012, and who is

enrolling in the same or another institution of higher education following a break in enrollment of at least one fall or spring semester.

Students are **strongly encouraged** to obtain the bacterial meningitis vaccination **before** entering the United States or moving to the Corpus Christi area. A list of U.S. **approved meningococcal vaccines** is available: English (http://admissions.tamucc.edu/assets/CDC_Handout_vis-mening.pdf), Español (http://admissions.tamucc.edu/assets/CDC_Handout_sp_men05.pdf)

Important Facts about Bacterial Meningitis (<https://www.cdc.gov/meningitis/>)

Students who fail to submit certified proof of vaccination or a valid booster within the required time frame will be unable to register for their intended term. Please note, vaccinations older than 5 years will require a booster and all bacterial meningitis vaccinations and boosters must be administered by a health practitioner authorized by law to administer an immunization.

Valid Proof of Vaccination

1. A complete Evidence of Vaccination against Bacterial Meningitis Form (http://admissions.tamucc.edu/assets/Evidence_of_Vaccination_Against_Bacterial_Meningitis_Form.pdf). Use this form if you plan to obtain your vaccination somewhere other than your personal physician's office.
2. A document bearing the signature or stamp of the physician or his/her designee, or public health personnel (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered).
3. An official immunization record generated from a state or local health authority (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered).
4. An official record received from school officials, including a record from another state (must include the month, day, and year the vaccination was administered).

Valid Proof of Vaccination Exemption

1. An affidavit or a certificate signed by a physician who is duly registered and licensed to practice medicine in the United States, in which it is stated that, in the physician's opinion, the vaccination required would be injurious to the health and well-being of the student.
2. **Conscientious Objection Form:** An affidavit signed by the student stating that the student declines the vaccination for bacterial meningitis for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief. A conscientious exemption form from the Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS) must be used and can be downloaded from the following link: TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES FORM (<https://co-request.dshs.texas.gov/>). Please complete following the instructions provided on the conscientious exemption form. **Please allow several weeks for delivery.**

Other Vaccination Exemptions

A student is not required to submit evidence of receiving the vaccination against bacterial meningitis, or a booster dose, if:

1. The student is 22 years of age or older by the first day of the start of the semester; or
2. The student is enrolled only in online or other distance education courses; or

3. The student is enrolled in a continuing education course or program that is less than 360 contact hours, or continuing education corporate training; or
4. The student is enrolled in a dual credit course which is taught at a public or private K-12 facility not located on a higher education institution campus; or
5. The student is incarcerated in a Texas prison.

Students are encouraged to visit their primary care provider prior to enrollment at the University. The cost of the bacterial meningitis vaccination may be less expensive in a student's home country or through the student's primary care provider. Students may also obtain the Meningitis vaccination or booster from their local County Public Health Department or other local pharmacies.

For medical questions concerning the meningitis vaccination or booster, students may contact the University Health Center Nurse Line at 361.825.5735. For questions regarding document submission and approval, students should contact the Office of Recruitment and Admissions at 361.825.2624.

All new students must receive the bacterial meningitis vaccination at least 10 days prior to the start of the intended term of enrollment.

How to Submit Evidence of Vaccination or an Affidavit to Decline Vaccination

Texas A&M-Corpus Christi has partnered with Med+Proctor (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.medproctor.com%2Ftamucc-immunization&data=04%7C01%7C0scar.Reyna%40tamucc.edu%7Ca1d9f7bbea594693888a08da19735fd6%7C34cbfaf167a64781a9ca514eb2550b66%7C0%7C637850280564284068%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=iVjaI9l6LJugC5xGAAaivqFbk9hQSI5SF5YTKvdzPf0%3D&reserved=0>)

for the submission of bacterial meningitis vaccination records. Please watch the Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Med+Proctor video (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3Dua9iPUDQVvE&data=04%7C01%7C0scar.Reyna%40tamucc.edu%7Ca1d9f7bbea594693888a08da19735fd6%7C34cbfaf167a64781a9ca514eb2550b66%7C0%7C637850280564284068%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=BYUP3OKE8I5gmUFqrjOolj3BuZuMYw%2BNNA7ViLy2Zo%3D&reserved=0>) for more information.

Compliance with this policy will be required prior to you being eligible to register for your classes. For medical questions concerning the meningitis vaccination or booster, students may contact the University Health Center Nurse Line at 361.825.5735. For questions regarding document submission and approval, students should contact the Office of Recruitment and Admissions at 361.825.2624.

Graduate Admission

For information on graduate admission requirements, see the Graduate Catalog (<http://catalog.tamucc.edu/graduate/>).