

How to Apply to the M.A. in Performance Studies at Texas A&M University

Complete the ApplyTexas Application form. This form can be sent to as many Texas universities as you wish, but to only ONE department at each university. Have a credit card ready to pay the application fee, or you may indicate you are going to mail a check/money order. This application is available at: <http://www.applytexas.org>.

One section of this application includes a personal statement (Essays portion). We strongly encourage you to explain why you are applying to the M.A. Program in Performance Studies and what prepares you for this field of study. Give us as much information as you can about what areas of the field you wish to study, any faculty member(s) you have identified as a potential mentor (or mentors), and why you selected these areas and individuals. For more information on our areas of strength and faculty, visit our website at: <http://performancestudies.tamu.edu>.

Forward transcripts from all institutions of higher education you attended including part-time attendance. Most institutions can send these electronically to TAMU. However, some smaller schools, and those outside of Texas may not have this ability. In such cases, request the registrar of the institution to send the transcript directly to:

Graduate Admissions Processing
Texas A&M University
PO Box 40001
College Station, TX 77842-4001

Overnight/express mail packages to:

Graduate Admissions Processing
Texas A&M University General Services Complex
750 Agronomy Road, Suite 1601
0200 TAMU
College Station, TX 77843-0200

Instruct the Educational Testing Service to send your GRE scores to TAMU using code 6003. The department code is not necessary. The test date must be within five years of the date the application form reaches the Office of Admissions. We require only the general test and do not have a minimum GRE score required for admission.

Three letters of recommendation must be submitted electronically through the Applicant Information System (AIS) after you submit your application for admission and receive your University Identification Number. These letters should be from individuals who are familiar with your academic achievement and potential.

You must submit a writing sample directly to the Department of Performance Studies. This sample must be between 2500 and 4000 words, research-based, and representative of your best work. Please send a clean copy (no instructor comments or grades). Writing

samples should be carefully edited and proof-read.

Send this to:

Department of Performance Studies

Texas A&M University

104 ACAD MS 4240

College Station, TX 77843

Checklist

- _____ Complete the ApplyTexas Application. Include your personal statement as described above.
- _____ Have your GRE scores and transcripts sent to the Office of Admissions, either electronically or in hard copy to the PO Box 40001 address.
- _____ Ask three individuals familiar with your academic achievement to submit recommendations electronically as indicated above.
- _____ Send a writing sample of correct length and representative of your best work to the 4240 TAMU address above.

Application Deadlines

For full consideration, including assistantships, all materials must be received by **February 15, 2012.**