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

APPLY TEXAS

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. The fee is waived for McNair Scholars with appropriate documentation. This application is available at: http://www.applytexas.org.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Statement of Intent: The ApplyTexas form includes an essay, or statement of intent. We expect 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, your proposed thesis project, any faculty members you have identified as potential mentors, and why you selected these areas and individuals. For more information on our faculty, visit our website at: http://performances.tamu.edu.

Transcripts: 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
GRE: 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.

References: Submit three letters of recommendation 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.

(Optional) Diversity Statement: Diversity at Texas A&M University is an indispensable component of academic excellence. Texas A&M University offers fellowships for students who contribute to the diversity of the campus in general and their graduate programs in particular. These fellowships maximize the educational benefits of diversity and support the development of scholars who show promise of distinguished careers. Fellowships are available for students from underrepresented groups whose life experiences, research experiences, and employment background will contribute significantly to academic excellence at TAMU. Students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Eligible applicants might be found from minority groups historically underrepresented at the university and in their profession, have overcome socioeconomic or other educational disadvantages, be first generation college graduates, be persons with disabilities, be veterans or wounded warriors, or work on topics related to these areas. This list is not meant to be exhaustive.

If you contribute to diversity on the Texas A&M campus, within
the Department of Performance Studies, or within the Performance Studies discipline and would like to be considered for a diversity fellowship, please provide a short (500-word) statement about your experiences as a member or a scholar of under-represented groups. Diversity statements are not required for application. They are not a criteria for admission to the MA in Performance Studies or nor do they determine internal funding.

**Writing Sample:** Submit 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. Please send all diversity statements and writing samples to:

Dr. Kirsten Pullen Department of Performance Studies Texas A&M University TAMU4240 College Station, TX 77843-4240

*We suggest but do not require that you also submit your statement of intent, diversity statement, and unofficial transcripts by mail to this address, and that you request that your references also mail hard copies of their letters to the department.*

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

For best consideration, please submit a complete application by January 15, 2014. Applications will be considered until all graduate assistant positions are filled.