

THECB Affordability Survey

Upper Rio Grande	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Statewide	2,255	54.7%	380	9.2%	1,198	29.0%	176	4.3%	115	2.8%	1,311	31.8%	2,813	68.2%	4,124	100.0%

Criteria for Admissions

- Academic record
- Standardized test scores

Comments for Admissions:

University of Houston-Clear Lake (UHCL) is an upper-division institution that admits degree-seeking and non-degree-seeking transfer, post-baccalaureate and graduate students. Students seeking admission to UHCL must transfer from regionally accredited institutions of higher education. Degree-seeking applicants are considered for admission if they have met the following general requirements: 1. Earned at least 54 semester credit hours of college credit with cumulative grade point averages of 2.0 or higher; 2. Completed Composition 1 with C- or higher; 3. Completed Composition 2 or Technical Writing with C- or higher; 4. Successfully completed College Algebra or a higher mathematics course (Applicants to the School of Human Sciences and Humanities may use Math for Liberal Arts to satisfy the math requirement); 5. Met the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirement by passing THEA, TASP or by demonstrating college readiness according to the provisions of TSI and UHCL; and, 6. Eligibility to return immediately to the last institution attended. Students may also qualify for admission if they have: 1. Earned an Associate of Arts, Associate of Arts in Teaching or an Associate of Science degree; 2. Met the Texas Success Initiative requirement by passing THEA, TASP or by demonstrating college readiness according to the provisions of TSI and UHCL; and, 3. Eligibility to return immediately to the last institution attended. UHCL may also admit applicants who have earned Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degrees (in specific disciplines) toward the receipt of Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degrees. Currently, the UHCL BAS degree has five tracks; one in the School of Business, three in the School of Education and one in the School of Science and Computer Engineering. School of Business BAS applicants must have earned either an AAS degree in Allied Health (or related field) or 12 semester credit hours toward an Allied Healthcare degree and have met the 54 hour general admission requirements of the university; School of Education BAS applicants must have either an AAS in an Early Childhood (or similar discipline) or have 12 semester credit hours toward an Early Childhood degree and have met the 54 hour general admission requirements of the university (BAS applicants to Early Childhood programs may also use Math for Liberal Arts to satisfy the math requirement); School of Science and Computer Engineering BAS applicants must have earned either an AAS in Information Technology (or related field) or have met the 54 hour general admission requirements of the university. Other applicants having an AAS degree, who will not apply to the BAS degree program, must meet the university's 54 hour general admission requirements to be considered. In addition to these requirements, all applicants born or educated in countries where English is not the native language must submit proof of English proficiency. A valid Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score or its equivalent is required. Acceptable scores are: 550 on the paper-based TOEFL exam, 79 on the iBT TOEFL exam, 53 on the Pearson's Test of English (PTE) exam, 6.0 or higher on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) exam or proof of successful completion of the intensive English language program (ELS) - level 112. Scores submitted to fulfill the English proficiency requirement must be less than 2 years old at the time of admission (other exemptions and waivers may apply). New undergraduate students transferring from community colleges or universities in Texas, who have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75, will be considered for renewable Automatic Transfer Scholarships. To determine the transfer GPA, UHCL uses all courses for which credit was earned (including repeated courses); developmental courses and plus and minus grade designations are not used for purposes of calculating the transfer GPA. Undergraduate non-degree-seeking transient applicants are not required to meet the English composition and math admission requirements; however, registration in specific course work may be limited in some departments. Graduate degree-seeking applicants must submit official transcripts from each school attended. General admission granted to the university, does not ensure admission to degree candidacy in specific academic disciplines. Separate criteria may apply in each school or in specific programs within each school for GPA, foundation coursework, score or score waiver requirements (if applicable) and deadline dates for the submission of required documentation. Although non-degree-seeking applicants to certificate programs are required to submit official transcripts from each school attended, graduate test scores are not required. Other graduate non-degree-seeking students (including transients) must submit official transcripts from the school where they earned their highest degree and from the last school attended, if different. Application fees are: \$35 for undergraduate and graduate applicants, \$75 for international applicants, \$95 for doctoral applicants and \$135 for international doctoral applicants. Students must submit proof of meeting the state's immunization requirements (if applicable) before being able to participate in registration or enrollment activities.

Analysis of the Criteria used to admit students at your institution

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All students seeking admission to University of Houston-Clear Lake (UHCL) must have attended regionally accredited institutions of higher education and be immediately eligible to return to the last institution attended. Transfer applicants must have earned 54 semester credit hours with cumulative grade point averages of 2.0, satisfactorily completed three semester credit hours of College Algebra or a higher mathematics course (Math for Liberal Arts is accepted for the School of Human Sciences and Humanities) and six semester credit hours of freshman composition with a 'C-' or better (Technical Writing may be used to fulfill the Composition 2 admission requirement). Transfer applicants may also be considered for admission based on conferred associate's degrees (AA, AS, or AAT). Applicants to UHCL who have earned an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree must meet the university's 54 hour general admission requirements. However some applicants, who will apply to one of five tracks in the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree program, may be admitted if they have earned an AAS in a qualifying discipline. In the absence of an AAS degree, applicants to BAS tracks in the Schools of Education and Business can complete 12 semester credit hours of program-related course work and meet the university's 54 hour general admission requirements for admission. Applicants to the BAS track in the School of Science and Computer Engineering, who have not earned a related AAS degree, must meet the university's 54 hour general admission requirements, but no additional course work is required. All transfer students must provide proof that the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirement is satisfied prior to admission (additional test or score requirements may apply for applicants who must demonstrate English proficiency). Post-baccalaureate students seeking teacher certification or a second bachelor's degree and graduate applicants who apply to either degree-seeking programs, non-degree-seeking certificate programs or for teacher certification must submit official transcripts to the Office of Admissions from each school attended. Other non-degree-seeking graduate applicants must submit transcripts from the school where their highest degree was earned and from the last school attended (if different). Graduate students who are granted general admission to the university, are not assured admission to degree candidacy in specific academic disciplines. Separate criteria may apply in each school or in specific programs within each school for GPA, foundation course work, score or score waiver requirements (if applicable) and deadline dates for the submission of required documentation. If applicable, students must submit proof that the state's immunization requirements have been met, in order to participate in registration and enrollment activities.

Criteria for Financial Aid

- Financial need
- Merit (grades; g.p.a.; performance; other)
- Enrollment in a specific major/discipline
- Enrollment at a specific level
- Enrollment in a specific number of hours
- Enrollment in specific semesters
- Submission of financial aid application by preset deadline
- Date of financial aid application (first-come; first-served)
- Expected family contribution
- Parental contribution
- Cost of attendance

Comments:

The Office of Student Financial Aid at UHCL used PeopleSoft to complete automated packaging for students for the 2011-2012 award year. Our packaging equations are as follows: Students selected for packaging are tested for Pell eligibility and awarded appropriate amount (undergraduate students with an EFC of \$5273 or less are awarded according to Pell Grant payment schedule). Students selected for packaging are tested for SEOG eligibility (undergraduate students with EFC of less than \$200 were awarded \$1500 until all funds are extinguished). Students selected for packaging are tested for TPEG eligibility (undergraduate students with EFC of less than \$3500 were awarded \$1750 and graduate students with EFC of less than \$3000 were awarded \$1750 until all funds are extinguished). Students selected for packaging are tested for Resident Undergraduate Student Assistance or Resident Graduate Student Assistance (tuition set aside) eligibility (undergraduate students with EFC less than \$6000 were awarded \$1500 and graduate students with EFC less than \$6000 were awarded \$1500 until all funds are extinguished). Students selected for packaging are tested for College Work Study eligibility (student with EFC of less than \$2500 who indicated an interest in work study on their FAFSA received \$4000 CWS awards until all funds are extinguished). Students selected for packaging are tested for Stafford Loan eligibility (student who had remaining need are awarded subsidized loans up to loan limit for grade level, students with no remaining need are awarded unsubsidized loans up to loan limit for grade level). The priority deadline for financial aid for the upcoming academic year is March 1st.

Comparison of this institution to peer institutions in-state and out-of-state

UHCL was compared to ten peer institutions. Only one of our peer institutions is upper-level. Two of our peer institutions require a 3.0 GPA. One considers GPA and academic ranking. Three of our peer institutions consider

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ACT/SAT scores but do not consider GPAs. UHCL ranks number three for the lowest average out-of-district tuition for full-time undergraduates. Seven of UHCL's peer institutions have considerable higher tuition. One institution, in particular, has significantly higher tuition for full-time in-district and out-of-district tuition students.

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