

THECB Affordability Survey

Upper Rio Grande	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
Statewide	2,207	62.1%	303	8.5%	841	23.7%	163	4.6%	41	1.2%	1,112	31.3%	2,443	68.7%	3,555	100.0%

Criteria for Admissions

- Academic record
- Standardized test scores

Comments for Admissions:

The University of Houston-Clear Lake (UHCL) is an upper-division institution that admits degree-seeking and non-degree-seeking undergraduate transfer, post-baccalaureate and graduate students. Students seeking admission to UHCL must transfer from a regionally accredited institution of higher education. Undergraduate applicants seeking admission to UHCL as degree-seeking students must have: 1. Earned an Associate of Arts, Associate of Arts in Teaching or an Associate of Science degree; 2. Met the TSI requirement (by passing THEA or TASP) or must have demonstrated college readiness according to the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) and University of Houston-Clear Lake; 3. Eligibility to return immediately to the last institution attended. Students may also qualify for admission if they have: 1. Earned a minimum of 54 semester credit hours with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher; 2. Completed Composition 1 with a grade of C- or higher; 3. Completed Composition 2 or Technical Writing with a grade of 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 Majors to satisfy this requirement); 5. Met the TSI requirement (by passing THEA or TASP) or must have demonstrated college readiness according to the provisions of the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) and University of Houston-Clear Lake; and 6. Eligibility to return immediately to the last institution attended. UHCL accepts the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree (in specific disciplines) toward the receipt of a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS). There are currently tracks in the School of Business and the School of Education. In the School of Business, applicants must have an AAS in an Allied Health related field and meet the 54 hour degree requirements of the university; and in the School of Education, applicants must have an AAS in an Early childhood discipline or 18 hours toward an Early Childhood degree and meet the 54 hour degree requirements for the university. Applicants, who have earned an AAS, and do not apply for the BAS degree must meet the university's 54 hour degree requirements. All students whose native language is not English and who do not have an Associate's Degree from an institution of higher education in Texas must submit proof of English Language Proficiency. Students may submit the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or its equivalency. Acceptable scores are: 550 on the written examination, 213 on the computer-based exam, 79 on the iBT TOEFL, 6.0 or higher on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) exam or successful completion of the Intensive English Program at level 112. Scores submitted to fulfill this requirement must be less than 2 years old at the time of application (some exemptions and waivers may apply). Developmental courses are not used to compute the cumulative GPA and UHCL uses all repeated courses in the GPA calculation. A new undergraduate student who has a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 will be considered for a renewable Automatic Transfer Scholarship. Undergraduate non-degree-seeking applicants are not required to meet the English composition and mathematics admission requirements and registration is limited in some departments. Graduate degree-seeking applicants and those applying to a non-degree certificate program must submit official transcripts from all schools attended and the appropriate graduate test score. Admission to the university does not ensure admission into degree candidacy in an academic discipline. Separate criteria must be met in each school, including GPA, score or waiver requirements (if applicable) and the deadline dates for submission of required documents. All other non-degree graduate students must submit official transcripts that shows the highest degree earned and the last school attended (if different). The application fees is \$35 for undergraduates and graduates, \$75 for international students, \$95 for doctoral applicants, and \$135 for international doctoral applicants.

Analysis of the Criteria used to admit students at your institution

All students seeking admission must show eligibility to return to the last institution attended. Transfer students must have a conferred associate's degree (AA, AS, or AAT) or must have earned 54 semester credit hours with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher from an approved regionally accredited institution of higher education. They must provide proof that the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) test requirement has been satisfied (additional test or score requirements may be applicable for students required to demonstrate language proficiency). Undergraduate applicants must also demonstrate successful completion of three semester credit hours of College Algebra or a higher mathematics course and six semester credit hours of freshman composition with a 'C-' or better. Applicants who hold an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree must generally meet the university's 54 hour admission requirements. However some applicants, who will apply to a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree program, may be admitted if they have an AAS in a related discipline or 18 hours of related course work and meet the university's 54 hour admission requirements (as required by their program department). Post-baccalaureate and graduate students who apply to a degree program, a

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non-degree-seeking certificate program or who apply for teacher certification must submit official transcripts to the Office of Admissions from each school attended. Admission to the university does not ensure admission into degree candidacy in an academic discipline. Separate criteria must be met in each graduate school, including GPA, score or waiver requirements (if applicable) and the deadline dates for submission of required documents.

Criteria for Financial Aid

- Financial need
- 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 2009-10 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 \$4617 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) 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) 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) Students selected for packaging are tested for College Work Study eligibility (student with EFC of \$0 who indicated an interest in work study on their FAFSA received \$4000 CWS awards) Students selected for packaging are tested for Perkins Loan eligibility (student with EFC of \$0 who indicated an interest in loans on their FAFSA received \$2000 Perkins awards) 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.

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

UHCL was compared to ten peer institutions. Two of our peers are also exclusively upper-division. One is primarily upper-division but has a very limited lower-level enrollment option for highly qualified students (freshman class of 100). Nine of the peers require a 2.0 GPA for students transferring at least 56 hours. Most require a higher GPA for students transferring fewer credit hours. One peer requires a minimum GPA of 2.5 for all incoming students. Three of the peers have significantly higher tuition and fee costs per 30 hours. Two have lower costs. The other five are essentially the same cost as UHCL for their in-state students.

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