Purpose:
The Access College and Excel (ACE) Scholar Program promotes academic success for ACE scholars through a variety of programs including tutoring, mentoring, and dedicated individual academic advising. This helps to provide a bridge in order to make the transition from high school to college as successful as possible. Students are encouraged to explore their interests and expand on their academic experience while also practicing good time management and planning skills.

Eligibility:
High school senior from the following high schools:

EISD:
Kennedy HS
Memorial HS

SAISD:
Brackenridge HS
Edison HS

HISD:
Fox Tech HS
Jefferson HS

HISD:
Highlands HS
Lanier HS

ECISD:
Harlandale HS
McCullum HS

SISD:
Sam Houston HS

SWISD:
Southwest HS

Scholarship Awards:
- Up to $2,500 over the course of 2 years. Award is divided by 4 semesters – does not include summer sessions.

Priority Deadline:
March 30, 2020

Application Requirements:
- Application should be filled out by student (please follow instructions carefully)
- Type a well-developed essay by answering the questions on the ACE application
  - The essay must be minimum of 550 words, typed in Times New Roman, 12pt. font, double spaced, on one side of 8 1/2” by 11” paper
- Two letters of recommendation

Completed Application Submission:
You may drop off or mail completed application to the address listed above that includes:

- Pages 3 and 4 filled out and signed
- Typed Essay
- Two letters of recommendation

Essay Guidelines:
Please answer the following questions in a well-developed essay with a minimum of 550 words using Times New Roman 12 font, double-spaced and one-inch margins.

- Tell us about yourself
- Describe how you have demonstrated leadership at school, work or your community. Describe any specific honors or awards you have received in the last two years.
- Describe your educational and career plans.
- In what areas do you feel that you need the most help to be successful in college? How do you hope that the Access College and Excel Scholar Program will meet these needs?
- Why are you a great candidate for the ACE Scholar Program?
Please note:
* Must have been admitted to UTSA
* All sections of the application must be complete and submitted with ALL documents to be considered.
* Early College students, CAP students, and pre-nursing majors who plan on transferring are not eligible for the scholarship.

CHECKLIST

__ Admitted into UTSA
__ Pages 3 and 4 filled out and signed
__ Typed Essay (500 – 600 words)
__ Two letters of recommendation

The Letters of Recommendation must include the following information about the candidate:

• Strengths
• Motivation
• Capabilities
• Personal Characteristics

The Letter of Recommendation must also include the student’s overall attitude towards:

• Education
• Collaboration
• Community Projects
• Following Instructions

__ Make a copy for your records

Date when Scholarship Application was Submitted: ________________________
__ Mailed  __ Hand Delivered  ______ Scanned and emailed to TRC-DT@utsa.edu

Completed Application may be hand delivered, emailed or mailed.

The University of Texas at San Antonio
Tomás Rivera Center for Student Success – Downtown Campus
Access College and Excel Scholar Program
501 W. Cesar Chavez Blvd.
Durango Building 2.114
San Antonio, Texas 78207
T: 210.458.2838 | F: 210.458.2841
TRC-DT@utsa.edu

DEADLINE:
March 30, 2020

After Application Review:
Selected candidates will interview with a member of the ACE Scholar Program committee during the month of April 2020.
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY
PLEASE USE BLUE or BLACK INK

Name of Applicant: __________________________

Last   First   Middle   UTSA Banner ID#

Home Address: ________________________________

Street   City   State   Zip

Primary Telephone: (Mobile) please include area code- __________________

Email Address: ________________________________

GRADUATION COMMENCEMENT DATE:

✔ Check appropriate response:

How did you hear about ACE?

___ College Bound Advisor
___ High School Counselor
___ Leticia Longoria-Fisher, Associate Director
___ UTSA READY
___ Other: ________________________________

High School Attended:

EISD:
___ Kennedy HS
___ Memorial HS

SAISD:
___ Brackenridge HS
___ Edison HS
___ Fox Tech HS
___ Highlands HS
___ Jefferson HS

ECISD:
___ East Central HS

SISD:
___ Southside HS

HISD:
___ Harlandale HS
___ McCollum HS

___ Lanier HS
___ Sam Houston HS

SWISD:
___ Southwest HS

High School Grade Point Average: ______

Attendance Record (in percentages): ______

Class Size and Ranking: ______

Intended Major: ________________________

Medical Field: ___ Yes ___ No

Circle Intended Health Profession:

• Pre-Medical
• Pre-Dental
• Pre-Dental Hygiene

• Pre-Occupational Therapy
• Pre-Optometry
• Pre-Pharmacy

• Pre-Veterinary Medicine

• Pre-Physical Therapy
• Pre-Physician Assistant
• Pre-Respiratory Care

*Please note: Pre-nursing majors who plan to transfer at the end of the sophomore year are not eligible.
ACE Scholar Program Requirements After Acceptance:

✓ Must be accepted at the University of Texas at San Antonio
✓ ACE Students must attend the UTSA Freshman Orientation
✓ Enroll in 12 hours or more at the Downtown Campus
✓ Enroll in College Success Seminar 1202 (Fall 2020)
✓ Attend service learning projects
✓ Attend ACE Receptions and Fiestas
✓ Attend monthly meetings with Academic Advisor, Academic Success Coach and Peer Mentor during the 2020-2021 academic school year

ACE MEET & GREET

PLEASE NOTE:
If you selected to the ACE Scholar Program, you are to attend a mandatory three-day Meet & Greet event at UTSA-Downtown Campus.

See Dates Below:
• Wednesday, June 3, 2020 from 9am – 2pm
• Thursday, June 4, 2020 from 9am – 2pm
• Friday, June 5, 2020 from 9am – 12noon

UTSA FRESHMAN ORIENTATION 2020

All UTSA freshman must attend freshman orientation. If you selected for the Access College and Excel Scholar Program, you are required to attend one of the following UTSA orientations:

• JUNE 9-10
• JUNE 15-16
• JUNE 16-17
• JUNE 22-23

My signature certifies that the information on this application is complete and accurate. In addition, I understand I am agreeing to all ACE requirements if selected for the 2020-2021 ACE Scholar Program.

Signature ___________________________ Date _______________________