



Application for Admission

**Ph.D. Educational Studies:
Science Education / College of Education**
Admission occurs once a year for the Fall Semester

Please type, print in ink. Send application materials to the Office of Graduate Studies, School of Education, TCU Box 297900, Fort Worth, TX 76129

Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

Preferred Name _____

Other names known by _____

Social Security Number _____

Contact Information

Please notify TCU of any changes in contact information made during the admissions process.

E-mail Address

May we use your e-mail address to communicate with you regarding the status of your application and/or admission decision? Yes No

E-mail address _____

Present Address

Please print your address exactly as you wish to receive mail, including zip or postal code and country.

Address above is effective through _____

Permanent Address

If different than present address, please print your address exactly as you wish to receive mail, including zip or postal code and country.

Phone Numbers

Please indicate the appropriate country, city or area codes

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

Cell phone _____

Demographic Information

Gender: Female Male

U.S. Citizen: Yes No

If not, country of citizenship: _____

Important: If you are seeking a student visa, please complete the enclosed international student form.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

TCU ID # _____

Application # _____

Educational Plans

Date of planned enrollment _____
Semester, Year

Have you previously applied to any graduate program at TCU?
Yes No

If yes, were you admitted? Yes No

If yes, did you enroll? Yes No

Will you request that TCU accept transfer graduate credit earned at another university?
Yes No

Will you be a full-time student (9 hours/semester or more)?
 Yes No

Do you hold a teaching certificate?
 Yes No

If yes, in what area? _____

Optional Information

The following information request is voluntary and will be used in a nondiscriminatory manner, consistent with applicable civil rights laws.

Racial/Ethnic Background (U.S. citizen only)

- Black, African American
- American Indian, Native American
- Asian, Pacific Islander, Asian American
- White, Caucasian
- Hispanic, Latino, Hispanic American
- Other, please specify: _____

I certify that the information presented in this application is complete and accurate.

Signature _____

Date _____

Graduate Application

College of Education

GRE

If you have taken the following tests, please submit your scores

Test Scores:

GRE _____
V Q A Date Completed

TOEFL _____
Score Date Completed

Other Tests _____
Type Score Date Completed

Letters of Recommendation:

Please provide the name for each of the three individuals whom you have requested to send a letter of recommendation directly to the Office of Graduate Studies, School of Education, TCU Box 297900, Fort Worth, TX 76129. These individuals should be in a position to assess your potential as a graduate student.

Name _____

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Criminal Background Check

A small fee is required to complete a background check through the District Court. Make money orders or checks payable to Criminal District Court Tarrant County (only if you live in Tarrant County). Please specify Criminal, not Civil. For information regarding fees, contact the Graduate Office 817-257-7661.

Mail requests to:

**Criminal District Court
Criminal Background Check
401 W. Belknap St.
Fort Worth, TX 76102**

Educational Background

Please list chronologically all educational institutions you have attended and provide two transcripts for each college and/or university previously attended.

Name of College/University Degree

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Requirements for a Completed Application:

- \$50 Application Fee** (Check or Money Order made payable to TCU)
- Application** (Completed and signed)
- Writing sample** (15-20 pages, exclusive of notes and works cited that demonstrates appropriate academic writing skills needed for success in a graduate program.)
- 3 Letters of Recommendation** (Must be completed on forms provided)
- Transcripts** (Two official transcripts from each college or university previously attended.)
- Current Criminal Record Search**
- GRE Scores (no more than 5 years old)**
- 3.0 GPA or Higher**
- Interview**

Deadlines for Completing Application

Fall Admission.....February 1st

It is important to observe these deadlines and requirements. All applications received or completed after the deadlines will be considered for the following semester.



Letter of Reference

APPLICANT:

Please write your name below, and send this form to the individual you have asked to provide your reference report. The reference should be returned directly to *TCU, Graduate Studies, College of Education, TCU Box 297900, Ft Worth, TX 76129.*

Applicant's Name: _____

OPTIONAL WAIVER OF RIGHTS:

Under the family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, students are given the right to inspect their records, including letters of recommendation. In order to encourage candor on the part of the individual completing this form, the student may choose to waive the right of access of this reference report. If you wish to waive the right to examine this reference report, please sign below. If left unsigned, you will have access to the report upon acceptance to the College of Education.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

INDIVIDUAL PROVIDING REFERENCE:

Thank you for taking time to assist the Admission Committee in evaluating the applicant named above. This form is provided for your convenience only. Your comments are welcome in whatever format you think is suitable. Since federal legislation grants students and former students access to references such as this, the report can be taken in confidence only if the above Optional Waiver of Rights is signed by the applicant.

How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what capacity Have you known the applicant? _____

Please comment on any strengths and weaknesses you feel may affect the candidate's performance in graduate studies and in a career in education.

For each of the qualities listed below, please rate the applicant with regard to his/her potential to successfully complete a Doctoral Degree in the College of Education.

	Exceptional (Top 5%)	Excellent (Top 20%)	Good (Top Third)	Average (Middle Third)	Poor (Bottom Third)	Unable to Assess
Intellectual Ability						
Maturity						
Motivation						
Leadership Potential						
Interpersonal Skills						
Oral Communication Skills						
Written Communication Skills						
Creativity						
Ability to Work with others						

Please make any additional comments you feel might be helpful for assessing the applicant.

Please indicate your overall recommendation for this applicant:

- Strongly recommend. The applicant has the potential to be an outstanding student and future educator
- Recommend. The applicant should be admitted and will probably preform at an average or above average level.
- Recommend with reservations. Although the applicant's qualifications are marginal, he/she should be given the opportunity to pursue graduate studies in education.
- Do not recommend.

Name/Title: _____

School or Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Criminal Background Check

- 1) **You may either mail a request or go directly to the Criminal District Court and make the request in person. If you have already had a check done while attending TCU, please retrieve a copy from that department. No Criminal Background check may be more than one year old. (We do not accept letter from your school or district, fingerprint boards or any other source.)**

- 2) **The cost to have a check completed through the District Court is \$5.00. Make money orders payable to criminal district court, Tarrant county. If you do not live in Tarrant county, please check with your local county for this procedure.**

- 3) **Mail requests to: (*specify criminal check and not civil*)
The phone number for the Criminal District Court is 817-884-1342.**

**Criminal District Court
Criminal Background Check
401 W. Belknap St.
Ft. Worth TX 76102**

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