
UAH and the Huntsville Community

Huntsville is one of the largest cities in Alabama (metropolitan population 265,000) and is located in the north-central part of the state. The city is best known for its cluster of high-tech industries built around the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the United States Army's Redstone Arsenal, and other research related to the space exploration and defense industries.

UAH's students benefit from interaction with some of the most sought after researchers in these and a variety of other fields. Approximately 7,000 students attend UAH, and five percent of the student body is from foreign countries. Students come to UAH from 43 states in the United States, and 74 countries throughout the world.

Many of these students take advantage of the on-campus housing facilities. Residence hall suite and apartment-style housing is available. Students interested in living in campus housing should apply at least one semester (approximately four and a half months) in advance of their planned enrollment. For further information, write to the Housing Office, UAH, Huntsville, AL 35899.

Huntsville and UAH offer a variety of cultural

and entertainment experiences as well. Local theater groups, the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra, and an art museum are just some of the features the city has to offer to those looking for a sampling of American culture.

UAH offers occasional live performances, movies, an art gallery, many student clubs and organizations, and other extracurricular activities. These opportunities, along with UAH's excellent academic reputation and exposure to other cultures through UAH's diversified student body, provide international students with a quality, well-rounded education.

The climate in the Huntsville area varies with the time of year, but is relatively mild. Winter temperatures are usually in the upper 30's Fahrenheit, and it rains frequently, so it is advisable to bring wet weather gear. Snowfall is rare. Summers are very long, hot and humid; the heat index often exceeds 100°F. Therefore plenty of lightweight, comfortable clothing will be needed by students staying in the area between June and early September. Spring and fall, however, are very pleasant with usual temperatures ranging from the upper 50's to the 70's F.

International Student Organizations

Chinese Student and Scholars Association from Mainland China promotes mutual understanding among people with different cultures.

Chinese Student Association from Taiwan introduces students to American culture and provides social activities.

Nuestra Raza - The Hispanic/Latino Students of UAH provides an opportunity for all students to learn about, experience and be enriched by the Hispanic/Latino culture. The club promotes an understanding of the Hispanic/Latino culture: literature, art, music, drama, geography and individual customs. It also unites and recognizes the Hispanic community.

Indian Student Organization promotes friendship and understanding among students from India.

Pakistan Student Association promotes the Pakistani culture in the entire UAH community through various yearly activities, helps

Pakistani students at UAH, and plans and coordinates activities with UAH organizations and any other groups or organizations expressing an interest in working with the Pakistan Student Association.

Korean Student Association promotes mutual friendship and solidarity among Korean culture and history.

Muslim Student Association promotes unity and joint action among the Muslims; conducts social, cultural, religious and other activities in the best traditions of Islam; arranges and holds congregational prayers and Islamic religious festivals at appropriate times; promotes friendly relations among Muslims and non-Muslims; endeavors to make Islamic teachings known to interested non-Muslims; and provides needed general guidance and/or assistance to Muslims coming to the community.

Graduate Programs at UAH

At UAH we place a high priority on offering graduate programs of the highest quality, leading both to masters and doctoral degrees and to special certificates. Our cohort of dedicated faculty includes many internationally-recognized leaders in their fields. Their backgrounds and research interests span many areas of scholarly enquiry; however they all share one

thing in common: a mission to provide education and training that will not only prepare students for future employment opportunities, but also enrich their lives. Visit our website at www.gdeanoff.uah.edu/graddegrees.html for details on our graduate programs.

Admission Instructions for International Graduate Students

1. Submit the application and the \$35.00 non-refundable application fee. Do not send cash. Applications and fees should be mailed to:

University of Alabama in Huntsville
Office of Graduate Admissions
Materials Science Building
Room C-206
Huntsville, AL 35899

2. An Affidavit of Financial Support form must be submitted by the student or the student's sponsor. The affidavit must be signed by the sponsor and the signature must be witnessed by a notary. The affidavit will be sent to you after we receive your application. The affidavit must be accompanied by a bank statement that indicates the amount of money in your sponsor's account.
3. Financial Assistance is sometimes granted through teaching or research assistantships. These assistantships are granted by the student's major department. Assistantships are granted based upon merit and availability of funds.
4. Official transcripts from each undergraduate institution attended are required.
5. It is sometimes necessary for us to calculate a grade point average on your coursework. Because many foreign transcripts are not set up on an American format, they must be evaluated and set up in a way that allows us to calculate grade point averages. We will send you the paperwork needed to initiate this procedure if it is needed.

If an evaluation of your coursework is required, we will not need an official transcript from you. The evaluation will serve as the official transcript.

6. A TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) score is required unless you have a bachelor's or graduate degree from a United States institution or if your native language is English. The minimum acceptable score is 500.
7. International students whose native language is not English are required to take the ELPT (English Language Placement Test) prior to registering for classes at UAH, and must take the designated ESL (English as a Second Language) courses, if any, starting with the first term of enrollment. The ELPT is given at UAH shortly before classes begin.
8. The GRE (Graduate Record Examination) is required for most graduate programs. A total score of 1500 is required for unconditional admission to the graduate school, however, some departments have higher requirements. The GMAT (Graduate Management Admissions Test) is required of students majoring in Administrative Science.
9. The MAT (Miller's Analogy Test) or the GRE may be taken for admission to the Nursing, Political Science, or English programs.
10. Permanent residents must provide a copy of their alien registration card (green card).

Telephone Numbers and Addresses to Remember

GRE

Graduate Record Examinations
Educational Testing Service
P.O. Box 6000
Princeton, N.J. 08541-6000 USA
Telephone: (609) 771-7670

GMAT

GMAT Test Center Management
Educational Testing Service
Princeton, NJ 08541 USA
Telephone: (609) 771-7330

TOEFL

Educational Testing Service
P.O. Box 6151
Princeton, NJ 08541-6151
Telephone: (609) 771-7100

College of Administrative Science	(256) 890-6735
College of Engineering	(256) 890-6474
College of Liberal Arts	(256) 890-6200
College of Nursing	(256) 890-6512
College of Science.....	(256) 890-6605
Office of Graduate Admissions.....	(256) 890-6199
Graduate Studies	(256) 890-6002
Housing	(256) 890-6108
International Student Advisor	(256) 890-6753



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FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Homepage: <http://www.uah.edu/HTML/Academics/Grad>

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