

According to the **Student Registration** section (Revised: 2013) of the **Texas A&M University Student Rules** (https://student-rules.tamu.edu/), please note the following:

Student Rule 1. Student Registration: 1.3.1 Students who were previously enrolled at Texas A&M but did not attend class through the official census date of the previous long semester must apply for readmission.

Student Rule 27.1 University Sanctions: 27.1.1 *Expulsion*: Separation of the student from the University whereby the student is not eligible for readmission to this University.

27.1.2. *Suspension*: Separation of the student from the University for a definite period of time. The student is not guaranteed readmission at the end of such period of time but is guaranteed a review of the case and a decision regarding eligibility for readmission.

VMBS Biomedical Sciences Undergraduate Readmission Criteria

Decisions will be based on the following criteria in a holistic review:

- TAMU GPA
- GPA in coursework since leaving TAMU (see Appendix A)
- Program/major availability and/or restrictions
- Time spent away from TAMU
 - o Coursework taken away and skills gained
 - Work/internship experience and skills gained
- Information presented in the required essay (see below)

Applicant Instructions

NOTE: We have tried to give as much helpful information and guidance as possible in this document, but readmission is not guaranteed.

- 1. Determine if you are eligible for readmission. Please review the TAMU Undergraduate Catalog (catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/admission/#otheradmissionstext) for more information.
- 2. Meet with an academic advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Office for Undergraduate Education. Appointments can be made on Navigate for applicants who still have access at tamu.campus.eab.com/ or via email bims@tamu.edu
- 3. Consult the Office of Admissions website and follow their directions regarding application deadlines: admissions.tamu.edu/apply/readmit
- 4. After you submit your readmission application, you should expect to receive a decision on your application within 6-8 weeks of submission. Please continue to check the Applicant Information System (AIS) and your email inbox for communication from the university.

Application Requirements

The Required Essay

1. General Guidelines:



- a. The essay should be well thought out and explanatory, yet concise. Please proofread your essay prior to submission and ensure correct spelling and grammar.
- b. An academic advisor cannot review or edit your essay prior to submission.
- 2. Contents of the essay:
 - a. Explanation of circumstances leading to dismissal or departure from the university.
 - b. Explanation of how time since dismissal/departure has been spent.
 - i. If coursework was taken, explain how study habits/time management/prioritization skills have changed.
 - 1. Recommendations: We like to see that a student can be successful (>3.0 GPA) with a full course load (12+ credits) in a semester.
 - 2. Consult with an academic advisor for recommendations for courses to take away.
 - ii. If the student chose to enter the workforce, explain how the workplace has affected their work ethic or taught them transferable skills they will use to enhance their college experience.
 - 1. Consider asking your supervisor or boss for a letter of recommendation.
 - iii. If the student has neither taken classes away nor entered the workforce, consider the following:
 - 1. Letter(s) of support from member(s) of the medical community (doctor, therapist, psychiatrist, etc.) or maybe an internship or mission director.
 - c. Explanation of how lessons, tools, skills, or just the time away in general will contribute to your continued improved success as a student at TAMU.
 - d. Explanation for your choice in major/2nd choice major. Why this major? What are your goals for completing this degree? How will this major help you achieve your future career or life goals?

Frequently Asked Questions

- Do I need to turn in my high school transcript(s)?
 - a. No
- How long until I hear a response?
 - a. 6-8 weeks after your application is completed
- If I am readmitted, how do I take care of the holds that are on my account?
 - a. A Dean's Office advisor will assist you with the expiration of holds related to academic dismissal, probation and/or required admission contract.
 - b. Other holds could include:
 - i. Degree planner: see departmental/major advisor
 - ii. Past due balance: see Aggie One Stop
 - iii. Student conduct hold: see Conduct Office
- What if I have additional questions about the process or would like to meet with an advisor?
 - a. Email bims@tamu.edu



- If I'm not meeting the listed requirements yet, should I still apply?
 - a. As a general rule, if you are not yet meeting requirements, wait to apply until a future semester in which you are the most well-prepared applicant possible.
- Is there a credit hour limit for readmission?
 - a. There is not a set cap on the number of hours you have when applying for readmission. If you're applying to a major from which you did not leave, then having 75 or more hours could hinder your chances for readmission. Please check with an advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Office. Appointments can be made on Navigate for applicants who still have access at https://tamu.campus.eab.com/ or via email artssci-advising@tamu.edu
- How do I know what course I should take at my current college/university so that it will transfer back to A&M as an equivalent course?
 - a. Please consult the Dean's office academic advisor before choosing courses and check all courses in the Transfer Course Equivalency website before enrolling: howdy.tamu.edu/uPortal/p/tce-ui.ctf3/max/render.uP.
- I meet all the requirements listed in this document and have done everything you recommended. Is my readmission guaranteed?
 - a. No, we cannot guarantee readmission.

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Appendix A: Major Specific Requirements

General Guideline: We like to see students complete coursework away with at least a 3.0 GPA with 12 hours in a semester. Students should earn a "C" or better in courses that count toward major coursework.

Biomedical Sciences

- o If left in good academic standing (cumulative GPA above a 2.0)
 - Must have at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA if the student has 0-54 total earned hours
- Must have at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA must have made adequate CBK progress with "C" or better.
- O If student was not a former BIMS student, must have completed the following five (5) required CBK courses: BIOL 111, BIOL 112, CHEM 119, CHEM 120, MATH 142 (MATH 147 or MATH 151 or MATH 171). These courses must have a grade of a "C" or better. Should have a minimum 24 credit hours completed at TAMU. Maximum hours can be no more than 90 credit hours.
- O BIMS is not a readmission option for students who were put on university suspension.
- Inactive University Studies and Interdisciplinary Degrees Applications for these concentrations or degrees will only be considered from students who were formerly enrolled in these concentrations or degrees.
 - o Neuroscience. Translational and Preclinical Neuroscience
 - Meet with an academic advisor in Biomedical Sciences before completing readmission application
 - o University Studies BS, Biomedical Sciences Concentration
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