**The Texas A&M University System Campuses**

**Graduate and Professional Admissions Standards**

**Year 2022-23**

**Tarleton State University**

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| **Application Fee** | $50 non-refundable fee  International:  $50 non-refundable fee |
| **Previous Degree** | Must hold baccalaureate degree or higher from a regionally accredited college or university (degrees from institutions outside the U.S. are evaluated for equivalency to U.S. degrees) |
| **Undergraduate Cumulative GPA** | Conditional:Minimum 2.5 GPA on last 60 hours or overall, writing sample.  Full: Minimum 3.0 GPA on last 60 hours or overall  See individual departments for specific requirements |
| **GRE+** | For programs requiring the GRE, official scores required.  See individual departments for specific requirements. |
| **GMAT+**  **(Business)** | Official scores required |
| **International Applicant English Proficiency Requirements\*\*** | TOEFL:  550 – Paper based;  80 – Internet based  IELTS: 6  PTE: 53  iTEP: 3.9 |
| **Other Requirements** | International applicants: Foreign credentials must be evaluated by an accrediting agency that is recognized by the U.S.  Must have a reliable financial sponsor.  Masters/Doctoral: Submit a 600 word statement of purpose addressing goals for pursuing grad school  See individual department for additional specific requirements. |

**Tarleton Ed.D. Educational Leadership**

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| **Application Fee** | $50 non-refundable fee  International: $50 non-refundable fee |
| **Previous Degree** | Master’s degree from accredited college or university. |
| **Undergraduate Cumulative GPA** | Minimum of 18 hrs of graduate or undergraduate course work in administration, management or leadership. |
| **GRE+** | Official scores required |
| **International Applicant English Proficiency Requirements\*\*** | Same as for university. |
| **Other Requirements** | Cover Letter and Resume, Letters of Reference, Face-to-Face interview and Graduate Writing Assessment |

**Tarleton Ph.D. Criminal Justice**

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| **Application Fee** | $50 non-refundable fee  International: $50 non-refundable fee |
| **Previous Degree** | Master’s degree from accredited college or university. |
| **Undergraduate Cumulative GPA** | Same as for university. |
| **GRE+\*** | Official scores required |
| **International Applicant English Proficiency Requirements\*\*** | Same as for university. |
| **Other Requirements** | Letters of Reference (3) and Face-to-Face interview  Applicants to Tarleton’s Ph.D. in criminal justice program must have the following in order to attain unconditional admission:  a) Completed a Master’s degree in criminal justice or closely related field with thesis or equivalent writing product (i.e., professional research paper, capstone paper, or other appropriate writing sample)  b) GPA of 3.3 or higher on all completed Master’s work  c) Completion of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) with acceptable scores (i.e., analytical writing score of at least 4.7) indicating likelihood of graduate-level success\*  d) Three letters of recommendation indicating candidate’s skills and capacity to be successful in the doctoral program (preferably from individuals with knowledge of student’s academic capacity)  e) Personal statement outlining candidate’s goals in obtaining a Ph.D. in criminal justice from the School of Criminology, Criminal Justice and Strategic Studies at Tarleton.  f) A successful interview with the graduate advisor.  Probationary admission is possible at the discretion of the graduate admissions committee if the student does not satisfy the GPA requirement, but demonstrates excellence in other areas of the admission criteria and acceptable GRE scores. In order to transition from probationary to unconditional status, the student must complete at least 3 doctoral level courses with a B or better. Students in probationary status will not be allowed to participate in comprehensive exams or defend their prospectus or dissertation.  \*GRE substitution may be obtained at the discretion of the graduate admissions committee. Criteria for GRE substitution will encompass candidate’s interview, proof of writing excellence, and at least 5 years of professional work in the criminal justice system. |