

SECTION E

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING (*graduate students only*)

Important: You must return this statement with your completed admission application

Instructions: Read the statements below carefully. You must agree to each of these statements before you will be considered for admission.

1. I understand that if English is not my native language, I must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)
2. I understand that if I am admitted to the University of Houston, I may be tested again for my English proficiency prior to registration at the university. On the basis of these scores I will be placed in the appropriate English courses for international students.
3. I understand that I must make my own reservation for housing. (To reserve a room in the University of Houston dormitory, I must apply to the director of housing several months before the semester begins.)
4. I have read and understand the admission procedures. I understand that all document and materials relating to my admission should be forwarded to the Office of International Admissions. I also understand that the \$75 U.S application fee is not refundable.
5. I understand that I must give written permission to the University of Houston for anyone other than myself to request information about the status of my application and/or admission.
6. I understand that if I am unable to attend the University of Houston for the semester which I am approved, a written and an additional application fee may be required in order to update my file.
7. I understand that I must submit an official, translated syllabus or course description of all coursework taken at a foreign university or college by the application deadline in order to insure a transfer evaluation during my first enrolled semester.
8. I understand that I must arrive on time to attend the one-week orientation for non-immigrant international students; cost of the orientation is \$ 60 US.
9. I understand that I must pay the international students insurance fee for medical/hospitalization coverage. Exemptions are made only for those with proof of a currently valid policy showing a minimum of \$50,000 U.S coverage, including insurance for repatriation and medical evacuation.
10. I understand that I should have \$23,830 U.S, available for the first year of study. The amount includes living expenses for 12 months. If attending summer school. Add \$4000 for summer tuition. Of this amount, I must have minimum of \$6000 in my possession to meet initial expenses when I arrive in Houston. I am advised to carry this in the form of traveler's check.
11. I understand that I must accept visa restrictions which prohibit off-campus employment.
12. I understand that I should arrive in Houston on or before the date specified on the I-20 form or DS-2019. (If you cannot arrive on time, you must request in writing that your application be considered for a subsequent semester and you may request to pay an additional fee.)
13. I understand that I must allow five weeks processing time.
14. I understand that the University of Houston may release a portion or all of my record to any UH campuses.
15. **I have read and understand the statement listed above.**

If you agree to fulfill all of the requirements as stated above, please sign below

Signature of Applicant

Date

*Students from Australia, the Bahamas, Belize, the British Isles, English-speaking Canadian provinces, the Fiji Islands, Jamaica, Liberia, New Zealand, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Trinidad, the United States, the Virgin Islands, the West Indies and Zimbabwe are exempt for taking the TOEFL with the exemptions as listed under the English Proficiency Requirements. U.S high school graduates must take the SAT or ACT test. Undergraduate students who have successfully completed Level 6 of the University of Houston Language and Culture Center are exempt for taking the TOEFL.

ETHNIC BACKGROUND

Please indicate which of the following groups best describes your ethnic background. This information is voluntary and will be used in a nondiscriminatory manner, consistent with applicable civil rights laws. This information will be used for federal and/state law reporting purposes only and will not be used in any admission or scholarship decisions.

American Indian/ Alaskan Native African American/Black Asian/ Pacific Islander Hispanic/Latino White/Non-Hispanic

PERMISSION RELEASE

In order to protect your privacy rights, the Office of International Admissions requires that all students give written permission specifying the person who may have access to the information concerning the status of his or her application and/or to the University of Houston

If you wish to designate someone access to this information, please complete the information below:

I, _____, give _____
(Print your name) (Print name of friend or relative)

permission to request information concerning the status of my application and/or admission status to the University of Houston. I further give permission to the University of Houston to release this information to this person upon request. I understand that the above named person(s) may require to show proof of picture identification when requesting information in person. I also understand that if the information is requested by the telephone by this person, complete information as to my 1) full name, 2) student number, 3) date of birth and 4) complete address must be stated in order for any information to be release form our office to the designated person

(Your signature)

(Your student number)

(Date)