

# **UT Virtual Breakfast with Counselors**

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The University of Tennessee Knoxville

# Highlights from 2019-20

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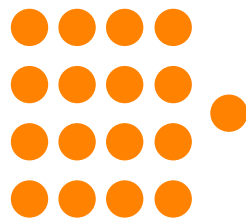
- Unprecedented undergraduate participation in research, and a rise in our national rankings
- Celebrated the university's 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary
- Created a Counselor Advisory Board
- Announced our ninth Rhodes Scholar, 5 Goldwater Scholars (most in the country), 16 Fulbright Scholars (7<sup>th</sup> nationally), 20 Gilman Scholars, and our first Mitchell Scholar
- 21 Vols recognized as Teacher of the Year in Knox County
- Vol's Spirit program became the only Division 1A program in the nation to claim at least one national title in all three spirit categories – cheer, dance and mascot.

# What's New

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- Record undergraduate enrollment and freshman class
- Test Optional Admission
- Self Reported Academic Record
- The Beacon Scholarship
- Application process for Honors and Competitive Scholarships
- Vol Success Teams
- Volunteer Impact Academy





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STUDENT TO  
FACULTY RATIO

**\$73  
million +**

awarded last year in  
MERIT AND NEED-  
BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

**84%**

of graduates report  
THEY'RE EMPLOYED OR IN  
GRADUATE SCHOOL WITHIN  
SIX MONTHS OF GRADUATION

**Almost 50%**

graduate with  
NO STUDENT DEBT

FOUNDED IN

**1794**

R1 CARNEGIE DISTINCTION

LAND-GRANT UNIVERSITY

TENNESSEE'S FLAGSHIP UNIVERSITY

# Academic Colleges

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Herbert College of Agriculture

College of Architecture & Design

College of Arts & Sciences

Haslam College of Business

College of Communication & Information

College of Education, Health & Human Sciences

Tickle College of Engineering

College of Law (graduate only)

College of Nursing

College of Social Work

College of Veterinary Medicine (graduate only)

**360+**

UNDERGRADUATE  
PROGRAMS OF  
STUDY

# Application Information

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Apply using **[vip.utk.edu](https://vip.utk.edu)** or **[commonapp.org](https://commonapp.org)**

## ☐ APPLYING TEST OPTIONAL (REQUIRED)

- Submitted online application
- Completed Self-Reported Academic Record
- \$50 application fee or fee waiver
- One required essay—choose one of seven prompts
- Test Optional Essay

## ☐ APPLYING WITH TEST SCORES (REQUIRED)

- Submitted online application
- Completed Self-Reported Academic Record
- \$50 application fee or fee waiver
- One required essay—choose one of seven prompts
- Standardized test scores

## ☐ OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Recommendation letters (academic, professional, or personal)
- Supporting statement

# Important Dates

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## FAFSA Deadlines

### OCTOBER 1

#### FAFSA Application Opens

Submit the FAFSA early at *fafsa.gov*. UT's code is 003530.

### FEBRUARY 1

#### UT's FAFSA Priority Date

All incoming students should submit the FAFSA at *fafsa.gov* by February 1, UT's priority filing date, if not earlier as some funds are limited.

## Admissions Deadlines

### NOVEMBER 2

#### Early Action Admission Application Deadline

Required if applying for competitive scholarships and honors & scholars programs.

### DECEMBER 15

#### Regular Admission Application Deadline

Required for institutional scholarship eligibility. Deadline to submit competitive scholarship application.

### MAY 1

#### Confirmation Deadline

All New Vols must confirm their enrollment to UT by this date.

# Important Dates

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## Decision Release Dates

### MID-DECEMBER

Early Action

### MID-FEBRUARY

Regular Admission





# Test Optional Application

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- Test-optional applicants are required to submit an additional essay. Please see the prompt below:
  - We believe Vol is a Verb and leadership is a willingness to act. Provide an example of how you've demonstrated leadership to make a positive impact in your community (family, work experience, school, community, service efforts, etc.). Describe the impact of your efforts and why it was meaningful to you.
- Students can elect to add test scores at a later date to be included in their application, but they cannot switch back to test-optional after including scores

## ACT/SAT Test Scores

You can choose to include your ACT or SAT test scores as part of your application for admission, or you can choose not to include standardized test scores. The University of Tennessee reviews all applicants on a holistic basis regardless of the inclusion or exclusion of test scores. **If you choose to include your test scores as part of your application, you cannot remove them at a later date.** There are certain student populations who are required to submit test scores as part of their application. You can read more about our test policy at [tiny.utk.edu/test-policy](https://tiny.utk.edu/test-policy).

## Preferred testing plan

I choose to be reviewed for admission without submitting SAT or ACT scores

I choose to submit SAT or ACT scores to be reviewed for admission

I choose to be reviewed for admission without submitting SAT or ACT scores

# Self-Reported Academic Record

- Applicants must complete the SRAR within two weeks of submitting their application
- Applicants must have a completed SRAR in order for their application to be reviewed
- Once an applicant's SRAR is complete and submitted, they cannot make changes

**admissions.utk.edu/srar**

The screenshot displays the SRAR website interface. The top header features the University of Tennessee Knoxville logo and the title "SELF-REPORTED ACADEMIC RECORD". The main content area is divided into two sections. The first section, titled "Self-Reported Academic Record", includes a welcome message, a brief explanation of the SRAR, and a prompt to create an account. It features a "Create SRAR Account" button and a "Continue" button. The second section, titled "Enter Coursework", provides instructions on how to enter course information and includes a form for selecting a school. The form shows "Westlake High School" as the selected school, with details such as CEEB Code, address, and city. Below the school selection, there is a dropdown menu for "I prefer to report coursework by:" with "Year" selected. The bottom of the form includes sections for "School Counselor" and "GPA / Class Rank", both with input fields and edit icons.

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SELF-REPORTED ACADEMIC RECORD

Welcome to the Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR).

The SRAR allows you to enter, track, and submit your academic record electronically to participating colleges and universities.

Did you know you could start your SRAR as early as 9th grade? [create an account](#) today to get started.

\*\*\*\*TEST REGION\*\*\*\*

Self-Reported Academic Record

Let's get started with your SRAR.

SRAR Email Address

Create SRAR Account Continue ▶

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Smokey X Account ? Help Logout

SELF-REPORTED ACADEMIC RECORD Home Enter High Schools/Colleges Enter Coursework Enter Exams Upload Documents Review / Submit

Enter Coursework

Enter your coursework and other academic information for the selected school. You should reference your actual transcript and enter grades and courses exactly as they appear on your school record. Please do not complete this section from memory.

Selected School Select Different School

Westlake High School  
CEEB Code: 440324  
4100 Westbank Dr  
Austin, TX 78746

I prefer to report coursework by: Year

School Counselor  
School Counselor information has not been entered.

GPA / Class Rank  
Enter GPA, Class Rank/Class Size or Decile Rank

# Core Courses

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We calculate your UT academic weighted core GPA only using grades earned in the select academic courses self-reported during the application process:

UNITS	SUBJECTS
4	English
4	Math
3	Science
1	American history
1	European history, world history, or world geography
2	Single foreign language (or ASL)
1	Visual or performing arts

+0.5 for Honors  
+1.0 for AP, Cambridge, IB, Dual Enrollment



# Behavioral Conduct

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- Academic Honesty, Volunteer Values, and Federal Draft

1. An essential policy of The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, is a commitment to maintaining an atmosphere of intellectual and academic honesty. As a student of the university, I pledge that I will not knowingly give or receive any inappropriate assistance in academic work or violate the university's policy on misuse of copyrighted material, thus affirming my own personal commitment to honor and integrity.

2. The University of Tennessee reserves the right to withdraw an admission offer at any time if we receive information that, based on thorough review has a significant impact on your successful participation in the UT community, including information that does not align with our Volunteer Values. This may include unwelcomed conduct or behavior that is so severe and pervasive, discriminatory, and objectively offensive that it effectively interferes with the ability of a person(s) or people to learn, live, work, participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by the University.

# Competitive Scholarships & Honors Programs

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Apply by November 2 to be fully considered for competitive scholarships and honors and scholars programs. Students must complete a separate scholarship application.

## □ COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

- Once an application is complete, students will receive a link to the competitive scholarship application
- Deadline to submit competitive scholarship application is December 15
- Leadership/Experience essay
- One recommendation

## □ HONORS & SCHOLARS PROGRAMS

- Does not require an additional application

Haslam Scholars - 31/1420 and 4.0 Weighted Core GPA

Chancellor's Honors, Leadership Honors, & 1794 Scholars - 28/1310 and 3.8 Weighted Core GPA

*\*Test optional applicants must possess a 3.8 minimum UT Core Weighted GPA*

# Estimated Cost of Attendance

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## TENNESSEE RESIDENTS

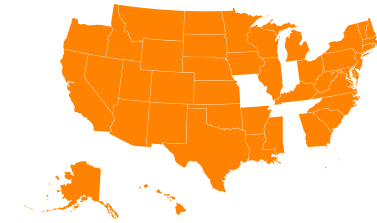
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Tuition & Fees	\$13,264*
Room & Board	\$11,856
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$25,120</b>

## OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS

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Tuition & Fees	\$31,684*
Room & Board	\$11,856
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$43,540</b>

\*Amounts based on 2020-21 academic year. Some academic programs have additional course fees.

# Volunteer Scholarship

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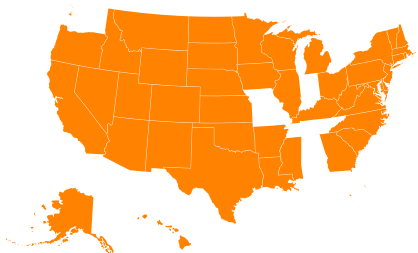
Award amounts for students with a minimum 3.8 UT Core Weighted GPA are based on the following criteria:

## TENNESSEE RESIDENTS



ACT/SAT (M+ERW)	ANNUAL AWARD	FOUR-YEAR TOTAL
34-36/1490-1600	\$8,000	\$32,000
30-33/1360-1480	\$5,000	\$20,000
28-29/1300-1350	\$3,000	\$12,000

## OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS



ACT/SAT (M+ERW)	ANNUAL AWARD	FOUR-YEAR TOTAL
34-36/1490-1600	\$18,000	\$72,000
30-33/1360-1480	\$15,000	\$60,000
28-29/1300-1350	\$10,000	\$40,000

Amounts shown are for the 2020-2021 academic year.

# Beacon Scholarship

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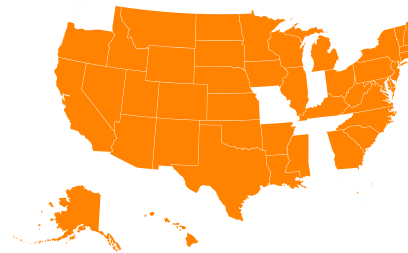
First-year applicants who choose not to submit ACT or SAT test scores on their admissions application and have a minimum 3.8 UT core weighted GPA are automatically considered.

Based on outstanding academic achievement, extracurricular engagement, demonstrated leadership, and commitment to their communities:



## TENNESSEE RESIDENTS

Eligible to receive annual  
scholarships between  
**\$3,000-\$8,000**



## OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS

Eligible to receive annual  
scholarships between  
**\$4,000-\$18,000**

# Tri-Star Scholarship Program



<b>UT PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP</b> (UT System-wide) ★	<b>PLEDGE SCHOLARSHIP</b> (UT Knoxville only) ★	<b>FLAGSHIP SCHOLARSHIP</b> (UT Knoxville only) ★
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tennessee residents</li><li>• Household income \$50,000 or less</li><li>• HOPE eligible</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tennessee residents</li><li>• Household income \$40,000 or less</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tennessee residents</li><li>• Graduate of one of 32 “Flagship” High Schools</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tuition &amp; mandatory fees</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tuition &amp; mandatory fees</li><li>• Room &amp; board</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tuition &amp; mandatory fees</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteer service (8 hours per semester)</li><li>• Volunteer mentor</li></ul>		

# Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarships

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## HOPE

- 3.0 GPA or 21 ACT
- \$3,500 first two years
- \$4,500 last two years

## HOPE with Aspire

- Family income less than or equal to \$36,000
- \$1,500

## General Assembly Merit

- 3.75 GPA and 29 ACT
- \$1,000





# Vol Success Teams

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- Division of Student Success
- New first-year scholars
- The Team:
  - ✓ Academic Advisor
  - ✓ Academic Coach
  - ✓ One Stop Counselor
- Dual responsibility





# Volunteer Impact Academy

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## EXPERIENCE

- Students will be equipped with the foundational skills to build on personal strengths and improve our campus, local communities, and beyond through a four-year leadership curriculum
- First Year Experience: Ignite, leadership & service living learning community, service project, leadership workshop series
- Annual scholarship

## APPLICATION

- Available October 2020
- Target: high school seniors who are leaders in their community — actively engaged through service projects, clubs, athletics, work, etc.
- Students can be nominated to apply by UT alumni, high school teachers and guidance counselors, as well as community leaders

# Questions?

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# Thank You

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