

Border County Program (BCP) Application

The Border County Program (BCP) is a tuition assistance program that allows eligible F-1/J-1 visa students from Mexico with limited financial resources to pay Texas in-state tuition. This program is need-based and is not a competitive scholarship.

Deadline: Fall: August 1

In order to be eligible for BCP, participants must:

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of Mexico.
- NOT have a U.S. Permanent Resident card or a PENDING application for U.S. permanent residency.
- Plan to return to Mexico upon completion of the education program.
- Be admitted to a UT San Antonio degree program (Intensive English Program students are not eligible for the BCP).
- Demonstrate the required financial need.
- Enroll and maintain a full-time status each semester (12 hours for Undergraduate; 9 hours for Graduate).
- Maintain a minimum institutional GPA (2.0 for Undergraduate; 3.0 for Graduate).

Important: Once an application is approved, it will be valid until the student completes their declared program of study or is no longer enrolled at UT San Antonio. If the student withdraws from UT San Antonio, voluntarily or involuntarily, the student will have to reapply for this program again. In addition, acceptance of in-state tuition based on the Border County Program decision does not guarantee issuance of an I-20. You must still meet all International Students requirements for the I-20.

Additional Instructions:

- Do not leave any blank spaces.
- Use "N/A" if requested information does not apply to you.
- Type your responses; handwritten applications will not be accepted.
- List names as they appear on passports or government-issued documents.

Student Information

myUTSA ID: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone (with Country Code): _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Permanent Street Address in Home Country: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

Marital Status: Single Married Education Level: Undergraduate Graduate

Are you a permanent resident of Mexico?

Yes No

Have you or any other family member applied for Permanent Residency in the U.S.?

Yes No If yes, who? _____

Student Attestations for Application

Please initial next to each statement (Note: If you do not meet these conditions, you do not meet requirements for this program).

_____ I understand that I must maintain an institutional grade point average (GPA) minimum of at least a 2.0 for undergraduate students and a 3.0 for graduate students in order to continue to receive BCP benefits.

_____ I must be a citizen or permanent resident of Mexico.

_____ My application must be typed; handwritten applications will not be accepted.

_____ I must submit my application in a timely manner; prior to the respective application deadline.

_____ My application will not be reviewed, nor will a decision be made until after all required documentation has been submitted.

_____ I understand the process and documents to request my Form I-20 or DS-2019 is a separate process from my Border County application.

_____ I understand that submission of fraudulent documentation or a misrepresentation of financial information may disqualify my BCP application.

_____ I understand that I cannot have a U.S. permanent residency card or pending application for U.S. permanent residency in order to qualify and continue receiving benefits from the BCP.

Parent Information

Marital Status of Parents: Single Married Divorced

Father's First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Father Legal permanent resident of Mexico? Yes No

Mother's First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mother Legal permanent resident of Mexico? Yes No

Application Type

Please select the category for which you belong and submit supporting documents:

- Category A: Married Student of Any Age** (Income Range of \$0.00 - \$65,000 USD per year)
- Submit copy of student current F1/J1 visa
 - Submit copy of student Mexico passport
 - Submit student Net Annual Income Letter
 - Submit spouse's Net Annual Income Letter
- Category B: Independent Student of Any Age** (Income Range of \$0.00 - \$32,500 USD per year)
- Submit copy of student Mexico Passport
 - Submit copy of student current F1/J1 visa
 - Submit student Net Annual Income Letter
- Category C: Dependent Student of Any Age** (Income Range of \$0.00 - \$65,000 USD per year)
- Submit copy of student Mexico Passport
 - Submit copy of student current F1/J1 visa
 - Submit student Net Annual Income Letter
 - **If your parents are married:** Letter of Net Annual Income for both parents
 - **If your parents are divorced:** Letter of Net Annual Income from the parent with whom you reside **and** a copy of the divorce certificate
 - **If your parents are separated or is a single parent:** Letter of Net Annual Income from the parent with whom you reside

Acceptable Documents

- **Income Letter:** Income letters must be written by the company employing the parent/spouse/applicant. The letter must state the net annual income, including a holiday bonus. It must be on official company letterhead and include a paycheck stub, if possible.
- **If self-employed:** A letter from an accountant is required specifying personal (not business) income.
- **If unemployed:** A personal letter explaining the current employment situation is required.
- **If the parent is retired:** Retirement/pension documentation is required.

Acknowledgement & Certification

Your signature on this document confirms your acknowledgement of the following statements:

- I understand that by submitting an application, I am stating that all information provided is true and accurate, and that I meet all the eligibility requirements.
- I understand that providing information which is false or incomplete can affect my participation in this program and may lead to a denial of my application.
- I have been informed that under the laws of the State of Texas, the Border County Program applies only to students who plan to return to Mexico after the completion of their studies at The University of Texas at San Antonio.
- Additionally, I understand, that I must continue to meet all requirements in order to remain eligible to receive in-state tuition.

Student Acknowledgement

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit this Form

Document Uploader

Once this form is completed, upload this form and any requested supplemental documents through the [Document Uploader](#) for processing. For every document uploaded, select the following fields on the Document Uploader:

- **Department:** Select “Registrar”
- **Term:** Select Applicable Term
- **Category:** Select “Border County Program”
- **Category 2:** N/A
- **Document:** Select “First-Time Application”

Alternatively, documents can also be submitted in-person at our [One Stop Enrollment Center](#) on the Main or Downtown campus. Documents submitted by fax or email will not be accepted.

Disclaimer: *With a few exceptions, you are entitled on your request to be informed about the information UT San Antonio collects about you. Under Sections 552.021 and 552.023 of the Texas Government Code, you are entitled to receive and review this information. Under Section 559.004 of the Texas Government Code, you are entitled to have UT San Antonio correct information about you that is held by us and that is incorrect, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the University of Texas System Business Procedures Memorandum 32. The information that U.T. San Antonio collects will be retained and maintained as required by Texas records retention laws (Section 441.180 et seq. of the Texas Government code) and rules. Different types of information are kept for different periods of time.*