Frequently Asked Questions

» How do I receive Financial Aid at UTSA?
   Non-citizen students who qualify for Texas House Bill 1403 must complete the TASFA in order to be considered for state financial aid. Financial aid consists of possible Grants, Scholarships, and Loans. Please be aware that funds are very limited, so the earlier you submit the application, the better.

» What is Texas House Bill 1403?
   Texas House Bill 1403 is a law that passed in 2001 that allows certain non-citizen students to pay in-state tuition at a Texas public university and to qualify for state financial aid.

» How do I find out if I qualify for Texas House Bill 1403?
   You can find information on Texas House Bill 1403 at http://www.utsa.edu/financialaid/types-of-aid/specialprog/hb1403.html Students with a DACA Social Security Card submit a TASFA, not a FAFSA.

» Where do I obtain the TASFA?
   The paper application is available at www.collegeforalltexans.com. The application must be submitted in paper format to the school as it is not available to be submitted online. Please note that the TASFA is a FREE application. Males must register with the Selective Service System at www.sss.gov.

» What do I need to complete the TASFA?
   You will need a copy of your tax return if you filed taxes, your parents’ tax returns if you are under the age of 24 and not married, and your spouse’s tax return if married in order to complete the application. You will also need to request an IRS tax return transcript for all tax returns from your local IRS Office. You also should have all W2s available. Tax returns must be physically signed by the filer.

» Does UTSA have a deadline to submit the TASFA?
   Yes, the deadline is extremely critical! The final date to submit a TASFA each year is January 15th for the following aid year, but because funding is limited, we encourage students to submit it as soon as possible.

» How much financial aid could I possibly receive and when will I know the amount?
   Students who submit a TASFA cannot be awarded more in financial aid than the cost of their tuition and fees per semester, though there is never a guarantee that students will be awarded this amount. Funds are not awarded for Summer semesters. We will start awarding first time freshmen in December.

» How do I find more information for specific questions regarding the TASFA?
   For more specific questions, contact your Admissions Counselor or call UTSA’s One Stop Enrollment Center at the number below.