

T h e C o m e t C o n n e c t i o n



T h e U n i v e r s i t y o f T e x a s a t D a l l a s




What is the Comet Connection?

- ✓ ***Guaranteed fixed tuition*** for four years through The UTD Plan
 - Four years of college with NO increase in tuition and fees
 - No additional costs for registering for hours in excess of 15
- ✓ An opportunity to begin higher education at a community college and at the same time enjoy many of the benefits and experiences of campus life at UTD
 - Receive privileges, participate in sponsored activities and take advantage of ongoing academic advising at The University of Texas at Dallas campus

Why is it important?

Many of our students do not take the conventional path that leads straight from high school to a four-year college degree. In fact, so many of our students have integrated their various academic experiences into their degree from UTD that the Comet Connection Program was specifically created to enable transfer students to blend their college experiences seamlessly—and without financial penalty.



“UTD’s biology program is one of the top in Texas, the student union has a lot of activities and the people are friendly here.”

— Linh Nguyen

Class/Major: Junior/Biology

Former College: Brookhaven Community College

“I transferred to UT Dallas because the School of Management is one of the best in the state. I also plan on getting my MBA at UTD.”

— Richard Eisemann


Class/Major: Junior/Business Administration

Former College: Stephen F. Austin



Comet Connection members not only maintain a close association with UTD throughout their college experience but also receive many additional benefits. By becoming a member of the Comet Connection, students may enroll in The UTD Plan, which guarantees the current year's tuition and fees for four years. In addition to invitations to exclusive Comet Connection events, participants will receive other special privileges that include:

- Comet Connection student ID card
- Comet Connection student rate to athletic, cultural and social events on UTD campus
- Access to Health Professions Advising Center (www.utdallas.edu/pre-health) and sponsored activities
- Access to Pre-Law Advising and Resource Center (www.utdallas.edu/pre-law) and sponsored activities
- Access to UTD libraries through the TexShare program as well as use of the public terminal in UTD's McDermott Library
- One-on-one access to academic advisors on UTD campus
- Access to Enrollment Services events

A close-up, high-angle shot of a desk. On the left, a portion of a silver laptop is visible, showing its keyboard. In the center, an open notebook with blank, cream-colored pages lies flat. A black and silver pen rests on the right page of the notebook. To the right of the notebook, there is a stack of papers and a red folder or book. The entire scene is set against a background of a textured, light-colored fabric, possibly a sweater or blanket, which is draped over the desk. The lighting is warm and directional, coming from the upper left, casting soft shadows across the pages and the fabric.

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Comet Connection Agreement

As early as your first semester at community college, sign the Comet Connection Agreement (available at the Registrar's Office at your community college) and return the signed agreement to the Registrar's Office at UTD. We encourage you to join the Comet Connection within your first 30 hours or your first semester at the community college to capture the most tuition savings.

Applying for Admission

After completing a minimum of 30 hours at community college and within two consecutive semesters of signing the Comet Connection Agreement, you should apply to UTD for admission using www.applytexas.org.

Admission requirements for UTD are available at [**www.utdallas.edu/WhyUTD/transfer**](http://www.utdallas.edu/WhyUTD/transfer)

Admission is valid for 12 months from the semester of admission.

Comet Connection Program

		Application requirements			Your admission is valid for the following semesters								
Enrollment date	Expiration date	Min. 30 hrs.	Apply by	If admitted, Comet Connection extended to	Fall 2007	Spring 2008	Summer 2008	Fall 2008	Spring 2009	Summer 2009	Fall 2009	Spring 2010	Summer 2010
July 1 - Dec. 31, 2006	Aug. 31, 2007	●	July 1, 2007	Aug. 31, 2008	●	●	●	●					
Jan. 1 - June 30, 2007	May 15, 2008	●	April 1, 2008	May 15, 2009			●	●	●	●			
July 1 - Dec. 31, 2007	Aug. 31, 2008	●	July 1, 2008	Aug. 31, 2009				●	●	●	●		
Jan. 1 - June 30, 2008	May 15, 2009	●	April 1, 2009	May 15, 2010						●	●	●	●

The UTD Plan

Effective fall 2007, students who join the Comet Connection are guaranteed the current year's tuition at UTD for four years.

Tuition Guarantee Enrollment Date	Fixed Tuition Rate	Final Semester of Tuition Rate
July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007	Fall 2007	Summer 2011
July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008	Fall 2007	Summer 2011
July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009	Fall 2008	Summer 2012
July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010	Fall 2009	Summer 2013



Other Features

Complete Your Associate Degree with UTD Credit

If you transfer to UTD before completing your associate degree, you may have your transcript forwarded to the community college and UTD credit will be applied towards your associate degree.

Eligibility for Honors Program

UTD Collegium V (Honors Program) will accept up to 12 semester hours of honors credit—with a grade of 3.5 or better—towards the graduation requirement of 24 honors courses. An overall GPA of 3.5 on all college work is required to participate in Collegium V. Participation in Collegium V is not guaranteed. For more information see <http://cv.utdallas.edu>

Transfer Scholarships

Students with a GPA of 3.5 or higher are eligible for Transfer Scholarships. Visit our Web site at www.utdallas.edu/WhyUTD/transfer for more details.

Contacts and Questions:

For more information on the Comet Connection, or to receive an updated list of participating community colleges, contact one of our admissions counselors at Comet One-Stop (972-883-2270) or visit our Web site at www.utdallas.edu/connect



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