



THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

SCHOOL of GENERAL STUDIES

## The Academic Bridge Program

### Mission:

The Academic Bridge Program (ABP) seeks to attract, support, and retain students who graduate from Dallas-area urban high schools with high class rankings without having completed the full university-track curriculum. This summer scholarship program is offered to selected entering freshmen and gives students the opportunity to begin their university education immediately following their high school graduation. UTD believes strongly in the capabilities of these students and fosters the Bridge Program as a supportive introductory environment for those who choose to attend The University of Texas at Dallas.

### The Academic Bridge Program provides:

Free on-campus housing for the months of June and July, including a weekly meal stipend  
 Tuition and fees for up to 9 semester hours of courses, including college-level Mathematics, Rhetoric, and introduction to Engineering / Computer Science  
 Small class sizes (20 or less students)  
 Tutoring and supplemental instruction  
 Campus orientation activities  
 Extra-curricular activities and field trips  
 The Bridge Builders Award, a \$1000 scholarship awarded to excellent Summer Bridge Program students

### Eligible students will:

Be admitted to UTD: [Office of Admissions at UTD](#)  
 Be ranked in the top 20 % of the senior class  
 Have graduated from a high school of the Dallas, DeSoto, Duncanville, or Lancaster  
 Demonstrate potential for success at UTD,  
 Have passed the THEA Test by the opening of the Bridge Program (first week of June)

[Application Form](#) for Academic Bridge Program

Student Profiles for [2000-2006](#)

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### Curriculum:

The first day of school, students are given a math assessment test. According to their scores, students are placed in either College Algebra or Pre-Calculus. Orientation, registration, and the distribution of books is also done the same day. Students "officially" start attending classes the next day.

All students take the same classes- math, rhetoric and orientation classes for a total of seven credit hours.

Students are grouped in four sections: Groups A, B

Group A	College Algebra	Group B	Pre-Calculus
Math 1314	TR 9-12	Math 2312	TR 9-12
Rhet 1302	MW 9-12	Rhet 1302	MW 9-12
Rhet 1101	MW 1-2	Rhet 1101	MW 1-2
ECS XXXX	TR 1-2	ECS XXXX	TR 1-2

Students attend classes Monday thru Thursday and ABP has a weekly meeting on Friday mornings. The meetings are intended to give students an opportunity to discuss their experiences and allow the ABP staff to follow up how well students are doing, address any issues/concerns, and the weekly stipend is also distributed.

All ABP students are required to attend math tutoring every week. The math tutors meet with each student individually during math

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