THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON

UPWARD BOUND MATH & SCIENCE CENTER [STATE] | *TRIO – A Federally Funded Program*

November 1, 2026

Dear Applicant,

We appreciate your interest in the *University of Texas at Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Center (UBMS)*. UBMS involves both the year-round Academic Component and Summer Residential Institute. **All application materials should be returned by *the deadline specified*.** We will process applications as received this Fall. *Due to limited amount of space availability in our program, earlier submitted completed applications will receive priority attention until program space is filled. Applications submitted after the deadline will be reviewed only on an as needed basis.*

The selection committee cannot review your application until all forms have been received. The following is a list of what must be included with your completed application:

1. a copy of your high school transcript;
2. a copy of your last report card;
3. a copy of your STAAR-EOC/PSAT test results;
4. a photocopy of your parents' most current income tax return/transcript (2025 or 2026);
5. a school record release form;
6. a photocopy of your Social Security card;
7. a copy of your resident card *if you are listed as a permanent resident of the U.S.*

Online Recommendations submitted from your:

8. High School counselor (https://utaedu.questionpro.com/AppCounselor);
9. Math teacher (https://utaedu.questionpro.com/AppTeacher);
10. Science teacher (https://utaedu.questionpro.com/AppTeacher);
11. TRIO Counselor/Director, *if applicable – in a Gear Up, Talent Search or Upward Bound* (https://utaedu.questionpro.com/TRIO);

12. a copy of birth certificate, *optional, not required*;
13. a copy of high school or other picture ID, *optional, not required*.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the forms and gather the needed information to complete this stage of the application process. Students identified as viable candidate will be contacted so an interview can be scheduled. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email us at **ubms@uta.edu** or call us at 817-272-2636.

Sincerely,

Richard Raleigh, Ph. D.
Director, *UBMS State & Dallas*

- Please turn over for Memo to your Parent/Guardian -

MEMORANDUM

TO: **PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN**

FROM: UBMS Staff

YEAR: ***2026 - 2027***

RE: **UT Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science New Participant Packet**

Your child has chosen to apply to The UT Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Center because of his/her interest in math or science. UBMS is funded by the U.S. Department of Education and as such has strict guidelines governing selection of participants. Our grant targets 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students from various target schools and regions of Texas including *Central, South* and *West Texas* which are interested in pursuing math, science and/or engineering careers. *Other areas not mentioned will be considered only when target area applicants have been exhausted.*

We provide year-round college preparatory services and a six-week residential summer program. Participants are given the opportunity to explore careers and technology, work with faculty mentors in rigorous classes, compete in academic/athletic competitions, visit scientific institutions, as well as take educational trips. A four-year renewable scholarship to UT Arlington is available to participants who successfully complete our program and attend UT Arlington the Fall after graduation. All services are funded by the U.S. Department of Education. In addition, students receive a stipend for full participation in the program during the year.

To further this application process, we need your help. The parent section of the application form plays an important part in our consideration of your child's participation in our program. We cannot stress enough the importance of a completed application, including a photocopy of a signed *Federal Income Tax Return Form* or *Tax Transcript*, Income Substitute Form, or other written verification from the agency that provides you with income (e.g. public assistance, Social Security benefits, unemployment benefits, pensions, etc.). The income verification **must** list the student as a dependent. The information you provide is protected by the *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA);* so no one will see the information unless he/she works with or for the Upward Bound Math & Science program or is specifically authorized to access this information.

Please check with your child to see if he/she needs help in filling out the student portion of the application. *All applications should be returned as soon as possible to receive priority attention for program space.*

On behalf of the UBMS staff we would like to thank you for taking the time to fill out the application and for supporting your child in obtaining his/her college and career goals.

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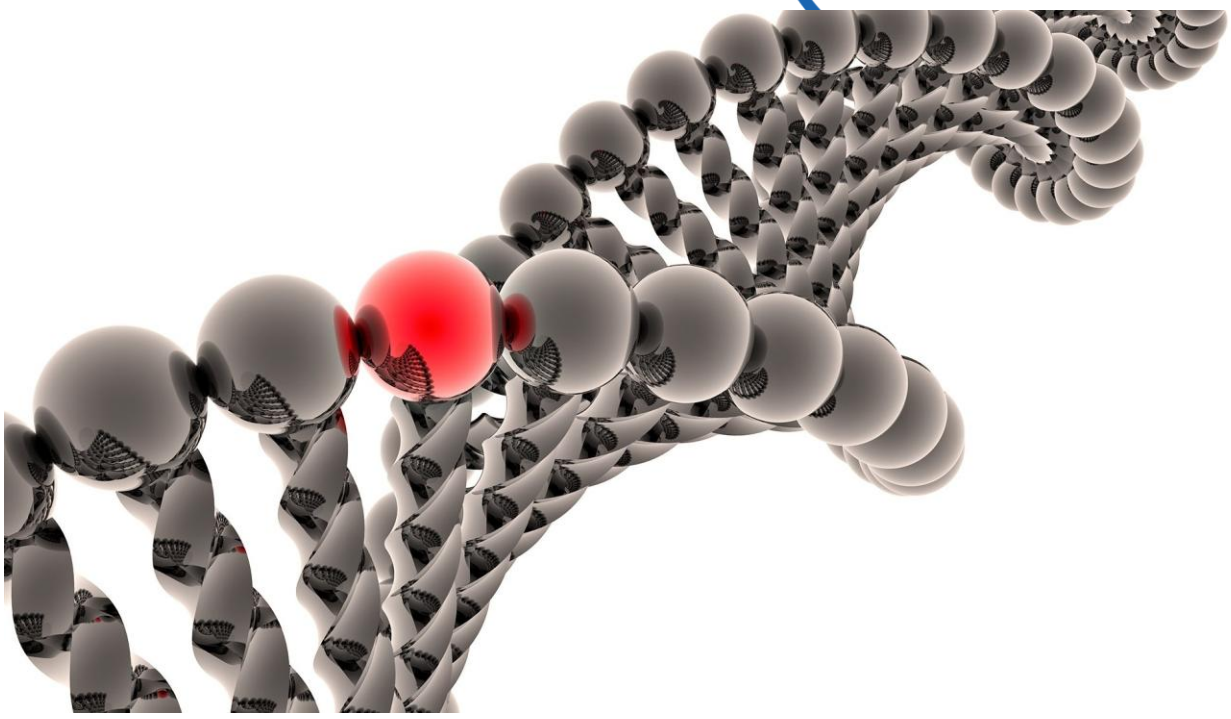
NEW PARTICIPANT APPLICATION & NEED ASSESSMENT PACKET

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A 'New Participant' Application should include:

- **Completed Application Form**
- **Student Autobiography**
- **Income / Tax Information 2025 or 2026**
- **Recommendation Forms *(online)***
- **School Record Release Form**
- **Current Academic Information**
  (Recent Grade Report, Transcript, Testing Results)
- **Proof of Citizenship Information (SS, RA card, Other)**

Application Deadline: *As specified*

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON

TRIO - UPWARD BOUND MATH & SCIENCE CENTER

Received Date – Office Use Only

Student Application

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: Texas Zip Code: _____

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home Phone: ( ) _____ Student Email: _____

Parent Phone: ( ) _____ Parent Email: _____

Classification (*check one*): ☐ 9th ☐ 10th ☐ 11th Gender *(check one)*: ☐ Male ☐ Female

CITIZENSHIP STATUS *(check one)*:

NOTE: If you are **1)** U.S. Citizen please submit a copy of your *Social Security Card* and *Birth Certificate (optional)*. **2)** If not a U.S. Citizen, please submit a front and back copy of your *Resident Alien Card* or *proof of citizenship application*.

_____ U.S. Citizen
_____ Permanent Resident Card # _____ Expiration date _____
_____ Applied for citizenship (*must provide a copy of the request*)

ETHNICITY *(check one):* Is the student Hispanic/Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No

RACE *(check one):*

_____ American Indian / Alaskan Native _____ Asian or Asian American
_____ Black or African American _____ White
_____ Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander _____ Other, *specify* _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION *(please fill in all information)*:

High School I.D. Number: _____ *(if available)* Estimated **G**rade **P**oint **A**verage [on **4 point scale**]: _____

What is your current class ranking (as of the current date): _____ out of _____ *[9th grade students leave blank]*

Which endorsement are you pursuing (see counselor): _____

Student Cell Phone: ( ) _____ Adult T-shirt size (S-3X): _____
Write *'n/a'* if none

CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Name of High School: _____

Counselor's Name: _____ Direct #: ( ) _____

Counselor's Email Address: _____

Need Assessment

MATH & SCIENCE COURSES: List course(s) you are currently taking for *(Include if IB, Dual Credit, Pre-AP or AP)*

Math: _____ Science: _____

ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT:

Please indicate activities that you are presently involved in at your high school and within your local community.

Activity Name (include any honors / awards / leadership position)

Athletics / Band _____

Clubs (i.e. Key Club, Science, FCA) _____

Community Service Events _____

Competitions (i.e. UIL, Robotics, MSE) _____

Performing/Visual Arts _____

ROTC _____

Work / Employment _____

Other _____

Other _____

ACADEMIC AND CAREER GOALS:

Please answer the following questions in your own words. Your response to these questions will help us assess your goals and aspirations. *Give answers in complete sentences where applicable; we are interested in learning more about you.*

Please indicate your desired **Career Goal** (or interests): _____

What are your **future** hopes and plans, and how would you better your community? _____

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_____

After completing high school what are your **plans**: *(check one)*

_____ Enroll in a 4-year College/University

_____ Attend a 2-year Junior/Community college

_____ Join the military (Army, Navy, Air Force, etc.)

_____ Enter a Vocational-Tech school

_____ Work

_____ Undecided

Of the **services** provided by the UBMS program, please indicate which you are interested in: (*check all that apply)*

☐ Academic & Career Advisement

☐ Career Exploration

☐ College Entrance Exam Preparation

☐ College Admission & Financial Aid

☐ Mentoring from MSE Professionals

☐ Scientific Research Experiences

☐ Cultural Enrichment

☐ Academic Instruction and Tutorials

☐ Leadership Development

TRIO AFFILIATION:

Are you a current or past participant of a TRIO/GU program *(**check all that apply**)*? _____ Yes _____ No

_____ Gear Up _____ Talent Search _____ Upward Bound _____ Upward Bound Math & Science

What year did you start the program? _____

Please provide the following:

Name of TRIO/Gear-Up Program *(Include school name)*: _____

TRIO Director/Coordinator: _____ **Phone**: ( ) _____

Autobiography

Please submit a typed **one-page personal autobiography** about yourself using the guidelines and tips below. The purpose of your autobiography is to learn more about you and assess your needs in the program. The autobiography **must** be attached on a separate sheet of paper for your application to be complete.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY TIPS:

1. DO NOT wait until the last minute to write your autobiography.
2. Write your first draft.
3. Correct mistakes and review your draft.
4. Make corrections in sentence construction, grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
5. Put your draft aside for 24 hours and then read it again.
6. If possible, let someone read and evaluate your draft.
7. Type your final draft and print a copy to be included with your UBMS application.
8. Your final draft should be only one page single spaced.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY CONTENTS & OUTLINE:

Answer these topics for each paragraph in your written autobiography. *Write in complete sentences.*

Paragraph I: Introduce yourself. Tell us about your family. Are you are the oldest, youngest, or somewhere in between? Share how many brothers and sisters, etc. Include information about your place of birth, your family, and/or your home life. Include anything else you feel that's important to know about you.

Paragraph II: Talk about school and academics. Describe some of your experiences, and your achievements in and out of the classroom. Are you satisfied with your current grades? If not, what factors have contributed to your low grades? What are you doing to improve your grades? Do you have any special talents or hobbies? Discuss your extracurricular activities. Which activity is your favorite and why? In what way are you involved in the activity?

Paragraph III: Why College? Discuss your reasons for wanting to go to college. Why are you interested in a college education? What are your career interests (for example: biology, computer science, engineering, medicine, etc.)? What other interests do you have? What are some steps you have taken to prepare yourself for college? [You might mention a person who has influenced you to go to college].

Paragraph IV: Why UT Arlington UBMS. This is your chance to clearly state why you should be selected to be a participant in UBMS. How will UBMS help you achieve your goals academically, personally and/or for a future career? Express your level of commitment to the UBMS program should you be accepted. (All accepted students are expected to stay in the program through high school graduation).

---------- SAVE A COPY OF YOUR AUTOBIOGRAPHY FOR YOUR RECORDS ----------

Parent's Section (To be completed by the parent or guardian)

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE INFORMATION & SIGN WHERE INDICATED

➔ Student lives with ***(Check ALL that apply)*****:
_____ Father _____ Mother _____Stepparent _____Grandparent _____ Other, specify _____

Please indicate the legal guardian(s) of the student: _____

Father or Male Guardian (Parent 1)
Name: _____

Employer / Occupation: _____

Email: _____

Work Phone: ( ) _____

Mother or Female Guardian (Parent 2)
Name: _____

Employer / Occupation: _____

Email: _____

Work Phone: ( ) _____

EDUCATION:**

(Check all that apply)	*Father / Male Guardian*		*Mother / Female Guardian*	
	Attended	Completed	Attended	Completed
Elementary				
High School				
2-year College/University				
4-year College/University				

INCOME VERIFICATION**

NOTE: Eligibility for UBMS is partially dependent upon family income, we must request this information. A student's application cannot be considered without verification of income. *Answer ALL QUESTIONS below.*

Please provide a copy of your most recent tax form (or transcript) with the student listed.

➔ Who **claims the student** as a dependent on their tax return? _____

➔ What was your **Taxable Income** (*1040-line 15*)? $_____

➔ Number of **Dependents** *(exemptions)* claimed: _____ ➔ Number of **Persons** in Household: _____

If you did not or will not file a tax return, you must complete an *Income Substitute form* to verify family income.

- Does the student qualify/participate in **free or reduced school lunch**? _____ Yes _____ No
- Is the family receiving **SNAP/TANF or Food Stamps**: _____ Yes _____ No? If yes, case # _____

➔ Do you need an ***Income Substitute Form***? _____ Yes _____No *(required if needed as proof of income)*

****I certify that the information provided on this application is accurate & complete to the best of my knowledge. I also agree to provide any documentation necessary to verify information reported on this form.****

_____ _____
Student Name (Please Print) Student Signature Date

_____ _____
Signature of Father / Male Guardian Date Signature of Mother / Female Guardian Date

THANK YOU-PLEASE SUBMIT THE COMPLETED FORM TO:

UT Arlington TRIO - Upward Bound Math & Science Center - P.O. Box 19356, Arlington, Texas, 76019 or Email: ubms@uta.edu

NOTICE: You may be entitled to know what information The University of Texas at Arlington (UT Arlington) collects concerning you. You may review and have UT Arlington correct this information according to procedures set forth in UTS 139. The law is found in sections 552.021, 552.023 and 559.004 of the Texas Government Code.

SCHOOL RECORDS RELEASE FORM

NOTE TO THE STUDENT / PARENT:

The University of Texas at Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Center is required to follow the performance and progress of our participants through their secondary and postsecondary career. This form will be mailed to high school and college registrars allowing our program staff to receive copies of your school records for tracking and reporting purposes. This form as dated below will serve as the only records release form valid from the date signed until completion of your postsecondary education.

NOTE TO HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE REGISTRARS:

The University of Texas at Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Center is mandated by the U.S. Department of Education to follow the progress of program participants through their secondary and postsecondary career. This form as dated below is the only release form to be used by our program. Due to the transient nature of students, it is nearly impossible to seek annual updates of this form. The signatures below indicate that they realize this form will be used for many years in the future during and after they complete our college preparatory program. Thank you for honoring our request for information.

STUDENT/FAMILY AGREEMENT:

I understand that as part of The University of Texas at Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Center selection process, my child's school records (including transcripts, report cards, financial aid status, standardized test scores and academic progress reports) may need to be examined by Upward Bound Math & Science staff. I also understand that the Upward Bound Math & Science Center will continue to require this information throughout the duration of my secondary and postsecondary careers.

I hereby give permission to the University of Texas at Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Center to request the following information from my child's high school or institution of postsecondary education at this time or anytime in the future as needed and extend its validity from the date signed until completion of their postsecondary education:

1.) School Records
2.) Standardized Test Scores
3.) Report Cards/Transcripts
4.) Student's status and performance with the institution
5.) Student's Financial Aid information and status
6.) Student's current mailing address and phone number

_____ _____

Father/Legal Guardian Name (Please Print) Father/Legal Guardian Signature Date

_____ _____

Mother/Legal Guardian Name (Please Print) Mother/Legal Guardian Signature Date

_____ _____

Student Name (Please Print) Student Signature Date

Student's Current High School: _____

Name Full Physical Address

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HS COUNSELOR/ MATH/ SCIENCE/ TRIO RECOMMENDATIONS

11-1-26

Applicant,
In order to complete your application these individuals must provide information regarding you.

Recommendations must be received from your:

1) *High School Counselor,*
2) *Current Math Teacher,*
3) *Current Science Teacher, and*
4) *TRiO Counselor* *(only if you are enrolled in Educational Talent Search, Upward Bound program, or Gear Up)*

Your recommenders must submit information online and you do not have to anything further.
***Detach the information below, print your name on each box,* and give to your teachers/counselors.**

Please remember, recommendations must be received by the deadline in order to be considered.

Detach here

High School Counselor Recommendation

_____ is submitting an application to the *UT Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Program (UBMS)* – a college preparatory program. We would appreciate your promptness in providing information to assist us in considering their application.

To provide student recommendation & ratings **go to**:

https://utaedu.questionpro.com/AppCounselor

If you have difficulty with the online recommendation, please contact us so that we can assist you with a paper submission.
Tel 817.272.2636, Fax 817.272.2616, Email: **ubms@uta.edu**

TRiO or GEAR UP Recommendation

(Only If needed)

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Math Teacher Recommendation

_____ is submitting an application to the *UT Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Program (UBMS)* – a college preparatory program. We would appreciate your promptness in providing information to assist us in considering their application.

To provide student recommendation & ratings **go to**:

https://utaedu.questionpro.com/AppTeacher

If you have difficulty with the online recommendation, please contact us so that we can assist you with a paper submission.
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Science Teacher Recommendation

_____ is submitting an application to the *UT Arlington Upward Bound Math & Science Program (UBMS)* – a college preparatory program. We would appreciate your promptness in providing information to assist us in considering their application.

To provide student recommendation & ratings **go to**:

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