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ADMISSIONS

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Hill College maintains an open admissions policy and works to provide programs beneficial to all students.

Applications for admission and other documents necessary for admission should be addressed to Student Information Services. Admission to the college does not guarantee admission to specialized courses or programs. Admission or re-admission to the college or programs may be denied to a person who does not meet the admission requirements of the college or program. Students may be admitted to Hill College by any one of the following methods:

1. High School Graduate/Nontraditional Secondary Education Completion. High school graduates will be admitted upon completion of an Application for Admission and submission of an official high school transcript. Hill College defines an accredited high school as a Texas public high school authorized through the Texas Education Agency, the Texas Private School Accreditation Commission, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, or if located in a state other than Texas, that state's comparable agencies and/or regional accrediting association.
2. College Transfer. An individual who is a transfer student from another college must be eligible for readmission to the institution in which the student last enrolled. Transfer students must meet the academic requirements of Hill College. Only credits from accredited institutions will be accepted. Official transcripts from all colleges/universities are required.
3. High School Equivalency Certificate. A person who has not graduated from high school will be admitted if their high school class has graduated and they have passed a High School Equivalency Certification examination such as the General Education Development Test (GED).
4. Individual Approval. A person, who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and who did not graduate from a high school or receive a High School Equivalency Certificate, may be considered for admission by Individual Approval. A request for admission by Individual Approval is submitted to Student Information Services. If approved, the following limitations and conditions will be placed on the student's enrollment: (1) an official Hill College transcript will not be issued until the student has either passed a High School Equivalency Certificate examination or completed fifteen (15) semester hours of college level courses with a GPA of 2.0 or better and (2) placement testing may be required in order to determine the student's readiness for the college's curricular offerings.
5. Early Admissions/Concurrent Enrollment/Dual Credit of High School Students. Students who are currently attending high school may apply for

the Early Admissions/Concurrent Enrollment/Dual Credit Program at Hill College by completing an Application for Admission and Hill College Dual Credit/Early Admission Application and submitting a current copy of their high school transcript. Other admission requirements may apply for specialized courses and programs, such as Cosmetology and Fire Academy. For additional information interested individuals should contact the Dual Credit Office.

6. Readmission. A Hill College student who has not attended the previous long semester (fall or spring) must apply for readmission by completing a new Application for Admission. If the student has attended another college since his/her previous enrollment at Hill College, an official current transcript of all college credits is required from all colleges/universities attended.
 - Readmission after Military Service: A student who withdraws from Hill College to perform active military service as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces or the Texas National Guard (excluding to perform one or more training exercises as a member of the Texas National Guard), who returns for an academic term that begins after the date released from active military service but not later than the first anniversary of that date, will not be required to re-apply for admission purposes.
7. International Students. Hill College is authorized under federal law to enroll non-immigrant students seeking higher education in an academic field. International students seeking admission should submit the following:
 - a. The application for admission should be submitted at least sixty (60) days prior to the beginning of classes for any given semester.
 - b. An official transcript of the last four years of secondary school. The official transcript must be an original with a certified English translation attached. The transcript must show each course completed and the grade earned, as well as the date of graduation.
 - c. An official transcript from each college/university attended. The official transcript must be an original with a certified English translation attached. The transcript must show each course completed and the grade earned.
 - d. If not from an English-speaking country, proof of English proficiency is required, i.e., proof of ESL program completion, or TOEFL scores (go to www.hillcollege.edu for current TOEFL requirements). *For more information regarding TOEFL, go to www.toefl.org or write to:*
Educational Testing Service
Rosedale Road
Princeton, New Jersey 08541
 - e. Statement of financial support. This should include sponsor letters and proof of finances including bank statements.

- f. Two letters of reference or recommendation from individuals, who have known them for at least one year.
 - g. A \$200 deposit (including a \$50 non-refundable application processing fee) must be made before an I-20 will be issued. The deposit will be applied toward the health insurance premium for the first semester at Hill College. The student is responsible for payment of additional premiums at the time of registration. Health insurance must be maintained while on a Hill College I-20. The deposit may be applied toward tuition if proof of health insurance is provided. \$150 of the deposit is refundable in the event of visa denial. Proof of visa denial and request of refund must be made within 90 days of visa denial.
 - h. All international students attending the Hill County Campus are required to live on campus during their first semester at Hill College. Any exception must be approved by the Associate Dean of Students. A housing application and a \$50 non-refundable resident hall room fee must be made prior to an I-20 being issued. Additionally, there is a \$250 residence hall deposit. Deposit or part deposit may be refundable if there are no damages. All international students attending the Johnson County Campus, Burleson Center, Glen Rose Center or Meridian Center must reflect appropriate financial support on the Financial Statement.
 - i. Students should be prepared to pay for and take the TSI prior to registration.
 - j. International students are required to submit official verification of required immunizations, including evidence of an initial bacterial meningitis vaccine or a booster done during the five-year period if 22 years of age or younger.
 - k. International students are required to complete the International Student Health Insurance enrollment form.
 - l. All items must be on file sixty (60) days prior to the beginning of classes. An I-20 will not be issued until each of the items requested above is on file in Student Information Services. In addition, tuition, fees and health insurance must be paid at the time of registration.
8. Applicants not eligible for enrollment under one of the methods listed above should contact Student Information Services.

SPECIALIZED ADMISSIONS

Admission to Hill College does not guarantee admission to specialized courses or programs of study. Prerequisites are required for some courses, and some programs of study require special approval. In addition, program approval/accreditation requirements, program costs, and/or availability of facilities make it necessary for some programs to require specialized admission procedures in addition to those outlined above for general enrollment at the

College. These procedures are designed to ensure fairness to each applicant in these programs.

Cosmetology

In addition to the general admission requirements to Hill College, applicants to the cosmetology program must meet the following requirements:

1. The student must be a high school graduate or have a High School Equivalency Certificate. This must be verified by an official transcript or state issued Certificate of High School Equivalency.
2. The student must provide a debit or credit card for twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for Texas Department of Licensing and Regulations. Students may not clock hours until the student is registered with the State.
3. The student must complete a registration form for licensing by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulations.

Fire Academy

In addition to the general admission requirements to Hill College, applicants to the fire academy must meet the following requirements:

1. The student must be a high school graduate or have a High School Equivalency Certificate. This must be verified by an official transcript or state issued Certificate of High School Equivalency.
2. The student must be eligible to be a fire fighter in Texas.
3. The student must have a medical release from a physician prior to the first day of class.
4. The student must have completed a drug screen.

Nursing

Vocational Nursing

In addition to the general admission requirements to Hill College, applicants to the vocational nursing program must meet the following requirements:

1. The student must be a high school graduate or have a High School Equivalency Certificate. This must be verified by an official transcript or state issued Certificate of High School Equivalency.
2. The student must achieve an acceptable score on the admissions entrance test.
3. A Health and Community Services physical form must be completed and signed by a qualified health care provider and submitted to the college and on or before the designated date.
4. The student must submit three (3) Professional references. The Professional references should be sent to the Director from

teachers, current or former employers. The Professional references should not be obtained from friends or relatives and should not be hand delivered.

5. The student must demonstrate qualifications and aptitude that are acceptable.
6. Completion of BIOL 2401, Anatomy & Physiology I, BIOL 2402, Anatomy & Physiology II, and PSYC 2301, General Psychology with a “C” or better from an accredited college prior to entry in the VN Program.
7. Student must meet the eligibility guidelines per the clinical facilities, for example: criminal history, drug testing.
8. Submit a high school transcript with a minimum of two (2) years completed in the United States or follow TOEFL policy.
9. Submit a high school diploma or state issued Certificate of High School Equivalency.
10. TOEFL Procedure: Student must demonstrate English proficiency as an admission requirement. This may be demonstrated by one of the following:
 - Attended four years of high school in one of the 50 United States and received a diploma or
 - Attended two years of high school in one of the 50 United States and have a state issued High School Equivalency Certificate or
 - Acceptable state issued High School Equivalency Certificate from one of the 50 United States and acceptable scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language Test (TOEFL) within the two years of the posted deadline date of program application.
11. TOEFL Waiver: The student can request a TOEFL waiver form from the Health and Community Services department if they meet the following criteria: completion with a “C” or higher of 4 different college level English courses and 1 college level communication course. TOEFL minimum internet score of 80 or a computer-based TOEFL score of 250 or a paper/pencil test score of 600. Scores will not be considered if they are more than two years old. TOEFL Test score reports must be sent directly to the Health Science department from the testing center. Information about the TOEFL may be obtained from the website: www.ets.org/toefl or by call 1-800-468-6335.
12. Submit documentation that you are current and up to date on the following immunizations:
 - 2 – MMR’s
 - Tetanus (within the last 10 years)
 - Tdap (within adult lifetime)
 - Current negative TB (2 step TB tine testing)
 - Varicella immunity (2 shot series or serological test for immunity)

- Hepatitis B Series completed
 - Current Health Care Provider CPR from AHA
13. TSI required

Hill College maintains an open admission policy; however, the number of nursing students that can be accepted is limited by the Texas Board of Nursing and the availability of clinical instruction facilities. Since there are often more applicants for the nursing program than spaces available, applications for the nursing program will be screened by a selection committee. In addition to the general admission requirements to Hill College, all prospective candidates must have updated immunizations, completed physical (within three months of entrance), clear drug test, background check, and must take the pre-test when it is scheduled. Prospective candidates are selected for admission to the VN program based on a point system. Points are awarded for multiple areas including pre-entrance test scores and essay, professional references, medical experience, pre-LVN classes. Hill College reserves the right to refuse admission to the nursing program to any applicant whose application is deemed unsatisfactory.

LVN/Paramedic Transition Program

To be considered for possible selection in the ADN Transition Program, the prospective candidate must complete the following selection/testing criteria:

1. Complete the general Hill College admissions process.
2. Complete the LVN/Paramedic Transition application.
3. Submit 3 professional references (Employer/Supervisor and/or academic instructor)
4. Submit a current resume
5. Submit current Texas LVN license or Paramedic certification/ licensure in good standing.
6. Submit a high school transcript with a minimum of two (2) years completed in the United States or follow TOEFL policy
7. Submit a high school diploma or state issued High School Equivalency Certificate.
8. TOEFL Procedure: Student must demonstrate English proficiency as an admission requirement. This may be demonstrated by one of the following:
 - Attended four years of high school in one of the 50 United States and received a diploma or
 - Attended two years of high school in one of the 50 United States and have a state issued High School Equivalency Certificate or
 - Acceptable state issued High School Equivalency Certificate from one of the 50 United States and acceptable scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language Test (TOEFL)

within the two years of the posted deadline date of program application.

9. TOEFL Waiver: The student can request a TOEFL waiver form from the Health and Community Services department if they meet the following criteria: completion with a “B” or higher of 4 different college level English courses and 1 college level communication course. TOEFL minimum internet score of 80 or a computer-based TOEFL score of 250 or a paper/pencil test score of 600. Scores will not be considered if they are more than two years old. TOEFL Test score reports must be sent directly to the Health and Community Services department from the testing center. Information about the TOEFL may be obtained from the website: www.ets.org/toefl or by call 1-800-468-6335
10. Submit all official college transcripts that document the completion of the following courses with a “B” or better with a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher.
 - BIOL 2401-Anatomy & Physiology I (Sciences have been taken with in last 5 years.)
 - BIOL 2402-Anatomy & Physiology II (Sciences have been taken with in last 5 years.)
 - ENGL 1301-Composition
 - PSYC 2314-Human Growth and Development
 - MATH 1314-College Algebra
11. Submit documentation that you are current and up to date on the following immunizations:
 - 2 – MMR’s
 - Tetanus (within the last 10 years)
 - Tdap (within adult lifetime)
 - Current negative TB (2 step Tb tine testing)
 - Varicella immunity (2 shot series or serological test for immunity)
 - Hepatitis B Series completed
 - Current Health Care Provider CPR from AHA
12. Completed physical form
13. Documented TSI complete or exempt by testing or exempt due to other factors
<http://www.hillcollege.edu/students/Advising/TexasStateInitiative.html>
 - NOTE: The prospective student is required to contact the Hill College Academic Advising and Success Center to determine if they must complete further testing as required for general college admission.
14. Complete HESI A2 Critical Thinking Assessment test; the student must call the Hill College Testing Center for an appointment

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availability of clinical instruction facilities. Since there are often more applicants for the nursing program than spaces available, applications for the nursing program will be screened by a selection committee. In addition to the general admission requirements to Hill College, all prospective candidates must have a current Texas LVN license or Paramedic Certificate/Licensure, updated immunizations, completed physical (with three months of entrance), clear drug test, background check, and must take the pre-test when it is scheduled. Prospective candidates are selected for admission to the ADN Transition program based on a point system. Points are awarded for multiple areas including pre-entrance test scores and essay, professional references, medical experience and GPA from prerequisites. Hill College reserves the right to refuse admission to the nursing program to any applicant whose application is deemed unsatisfactory.

Associate Degree Nursing Program (ADN)

To be considered for possible selection in the ADN Program, the prospective candidate must complete the following selection/testing criteria:

1. Complete the general Hill College admissions process.
2. Complete the ADN Program application.
3. Submit 3 professional references (Employer/Supervisor and/or academic instructor)
4. Submit a current resume
5. Submit a high school transcript with a minimum of two (2) years completed in the United States or follow TOEFL Procedure
6. Submit a high school diploma or state issued High School Equivalency Certificate.
7. TOEFL Procedure: Student must demonstrate English proficiency as an admission requirement. This may be demonstrated by one of the following:
 - Attended four years of high school in one of the 50 United States and received a diploma or
 - Attended two years of high school in one of the 50 United States and have a state issued High School Equivalency Certificate or
 - Acceptable state issued High School Equivalency Certificate from one of the 50 United States and acceptable scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language Test (TOEFL) within the two years of the posted deadline date of program application.
8. TOEFL Waiver: The student can request a TOEFL waiver form from the Health and Community Services department if they meet the following criteria: completion with a "B" or higher of 4 different college level English courses and 1 college level communication course. TOEFL minimum internet score of 80 or a computer-based TOEFL score of 250 or a

- paper/pencil test score of 600. Scores will not be considered if they are more than two years old. TOEFL Test score reports must be sent directly to the Health and Community Services department from the testing center. Information about the TOEFL may be obtained from the website: www.ets.org/toefl or by call 1-800-468-6335
9. Submit all official college transcripts that document the completion of the following courses with a “B” or better with a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher.
 - BIOL 2401-Anatomy & Physiology I (Sciences have been taken with in last 5 years.)
 - ENGL 1301-Composition
 - BIOL 1322 – Nutrition
 - RNSG 1301 - Pharmacology
 10. Submit documentation that you are current and up to date on the following immunizations:
 - 2 – MMR’s
 - Tetanus (within the last 10 years)
 - Tdap (within adult lifetime)
 - Current negative TB (2 step Tb tine testing)
 - Varicella immunity (2 shot series or serological test for immunity)
 - Hepatitis B Series completed
 - Current Health Care Provider CPR from AHA
 11. Completed physical form
 12. Documented TSI complete or exempt by testing or exempt due to other factors
(<http://www.hillcollege.edu/students/Advising/TexasStateInitiative.html>)
 - NOTE: The prospective student is required to contact the Hill College Academic Advising and Success Center to determine if they must complete further testing as required for general college admission.
 13. Complete HESI A2 Critical Thinking Assessment test; the student must call the Hill College Testing Center for an appointment.

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Any applicant with an eligibility issue related to criminal convictions (you may exclude Class C misdemeanor traffic violations) must complete the Declaratory Order (DO) process with the Texas Board of Nursing (see www.bon.texas.gov/exam-eligibility.htm). Applicants with Declaratory Order's pending at the posted deadline date may affect their application selection.

The Hill College Health and Community Services Department is not responsible for lost or misdirected mail.

Texas Board of Nursing (BON) Rules for all Nursing Programs

Texas Board of Nursing (BON) rules for all nursing programs are available at their website at <http://www.bon.state.tx.us/nursinglaw/rr.html> or the students may contact the Texas Board of Nursing (BON) directly or may seek additional clarification from the director of the nursing program.

Echocardiography Program



The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) is pleased to inform you of its vote on **January 21, 2016** to award **initial accreditation** to the Cardiovascular Technology - Adult Echocardiography Associate degree program at Hill College, Hillsboro, TX.

To be considered for possible selection in the program, the prospective candidate must complete the following selection/testing criteria:

1. Complete the general Hill College admissions process.
2. Complete the Echocardiograph Program application.
3. Submit 2 Academic Instructors.
4. Submit a current resume
5. Submit a high school transcript with a minimum of two (2) years completed in the United States or follow TOEFL Procedure
6. Submit a high school diploma or state issued High School Equivalency Certificate.
7. TOEFL Procedure: Student must demonstrate English proficiency as an admission requirement. This may be demonstrated by one of the following:
 - Attended four years of high school in one of the 50 United States and received a diploma or
 - Attended two years of high school in one of the 50 United States and have a state issued High School Equivalency Certificate or
 - Acceptable state issued High School Equivalency Certificate from one of the 50 United States and acceptable scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language Test (TOEFL)

within the two years of the posted deadline date of program application.

8. Submit all official college transcripts that document the completion of the following courses with a "C" or better.
 - BIOL 2401-Anatomy & Physiology I (Contact the Health and Community Services department for sciences over 5 years.)
 - BIOL 2402-Anatomy & Physiology II (Contact the Health and Community Services department for sciences over 5 years.)
 - HITT 1305 Medical Terminology
 - MATH 1314 College Algebra
 - PSYC 2301 General Psychology
9. Submit documentation that you are current and up to date on the following immunizations:
 - 2 – MMR's
 - Tetanus (within the last 10 years)
 - Tdap (within adult lifetime)
 - Current negative TB (2 step Tb tine testing)
 - Varicella immunity (2 shot series or serological test for immunity)
 - Hepatitis B Series completed
 - Current Health Care Provider CPR from AHA
10. Completed physical form
11. Documented TSI complete or exempt by Testing or exempt due to other factors
(<http://www.hillcollege.edu/students/Advising/TexasStateInitiative.html>)
 - NOTE: The prospective student is required to contact the Hill College Academic Advising and Success Center to determine if they must complete further testing as required for general college admission.
12. Complete HESI A2 Math and Reading; the student must call the Hill College Testing Center for an appointment.

Emergency Medical Services Profession Program

The Hill College Emergency Medical Services Profession program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP). CAAHEP Accredited Program #600447

To contact CAAHEP:

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
1361 Park Street
Clearwater, FL 33756
(727) 210-2350 www.caahep.org

To contact CoAEMSP:

8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312
Rowlett, TX 75088
(214) 703-8445 FAX: (214) 703-8992

EMT Basic Courses

To be considered for registration in the EMT Basic courses, the prospective candidate must complete the following criteria:

1. Complete the general Hill College admissions process.
2. Submit documentation that you are current and up to date on the following immunizations:
 - 2 – MMR's
 - Tetanus (within the last 10 years)
 - Tdap (within adult lifetime)
 - Current negative TB (2 step Tb tine testing)
 - Varicella immunity (2 shot series or serological test for immunity)
 - Hepatitis B Series completed
 - Current Health Care Provider CPR from AHA
3. Complete Drug Screening Test
4. Complete Background Check
 - NOTE: The prospective student is required to contact the Hill College Academic Advising and Success Center to determine if they must complete further testing as required for general college admission.

Advanced EMT/Paramedic

To be considered for possible selection in the Advanced EMT/Paramedic Program, the prospective candidate must complete the following selection/testing criteria:

1. Complete the general Hill College admissions process.
2. Complete the Paramedic application.
3. Submit 3 professional references (1-employer; 1-/academic faculty; 1-personal)
4. Submit all official college transcripts
5. Submit documentation that you are current and up to date on the following immunizations:
 - 2 – MMR's
 - Tetanus (within the last 10 years)
 - Tdap (within adult lifetime)
 - Current negative TB (2 step Tb tine testing)
 - Varicella immunity (2 shot series or serological test for immunity)
 - Hepatitis B Series completed

- Current Health Care Provider CPR from AHA
6. Completed physical form
 7. Complete Drug Screen
 8. Complete Background Check
 9. Documented TSI complete or exempt by Testing or exempt due to other factors
- (<http://www.hillcollege.edu/students/Advising/TexasStateInitiative.html>)
- NOTE: The prospective student is required to contact the Hill College Academic Advising and Success Center to determine if they must complete further testing as required for general college admission.

Hill College maintains an open admission policy; however, the number of advanced level EMS training students that can be accepted is limited by the availability of institution classroom size and clinical instruction facilities. Since there are often more applicants for the advanced level EMS training program than spaces available, applications for the advanced level EMS training program will be screened by a selection committee. In addition to the general admission requirements to Hill College, updated immunizations, completed physical (within three months of entrance), clear drug test, and background check. Prospective candidates are selected for admission to the Advanced EMT/Paramedic program based on a point system. Points are awarded for multiple areas including pre-entrance essay, professional references, and medical experience. Hill College reserves the right to refuse admission to the advanced level EMS training program to any applicant whose application is deemed unsatisfactory.

Early Admissions/Concurrent Enrollment/Dual Credit Program

Hill College sponsors an Early Admissions/Concurrent Enrollment/Dual Credit Program for the benefit of qualified high school students. Students who participate in the Early Admissions/Concurrent Enrollment/Dual Credit Program have the opportunity to accelerate their college program to save both time and money. Students enrolled in high school may be admitted under the following conditions:

- A. High School students in an accredited high school, who seek to enroll in an academic course(s), a transfer course(s), or selected Career and Technical Education courses in an Associate Degree Program or a Career and Technical Education Certificate of Technology may be admitted based on successful completion of the following:
 1. STARR End-of-Course (EOC): English III EOC combined assessment in both reading and writing Level 2 TEA recommended score and Algebra II EOC Level 2 TEA recommended score **OR**

STARR End-of Course (EOC) Dual Credit Only Waiver: English II EOC combined assessment in both reading and writing Level 2 TEA recommended score and Level 2 TEA recommended score on Algebra I EOC and a passing grade in Algebra II high school course.

2. Present a passing score on the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) or an approved alternative assessment instrument, such as ACT or SAT, in a least one area (mathematics, reading, or writing) as deemed applicable by the college for the intended course or program. Students who are exempt from the TSI by rules of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and by the policies of Hill College are also exempt.
3. Students must have completed the Hill College Dual Credit/Early Admission Application signed by the superintendent, high school principal, or designee.
4. Students must submit an application for admission and a current high school transcript (prior to graduation).

B. High School students in an accredited high school, who seek to enroll in Career and Technical Education Certificate of Completion courses may be admitted based on successful completion of the following:

1. Students must have a completed Hill College Dual Credit/Early Admission Application signed by the superintendent, high school principal, or designee.
2. Students must submit an application for admission and a current high school transcript (prior to graduation).

C. Students who are enrolled in a non-traditional secondary education program (i.e., a home school or a non-accredited high school), who seek to enroll in an academic course(s), a transfer course(s), or selected Career and Technical Education courses in an Associate Degree Program or a Career and Technical Education Certificate of Technology may be admitted based on successful completion of the following:

1. Present a passing score on the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) or an approved alternative assessment instrument, such as ACT or SAT, in a least one area (mathematics, reading, or writing) as deemed applicable by the college for the intended course or program. Students who are exempt from the TSI by rules of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and by the policies of Hill College are also exempt.

2. Students must have a completed Hill College Dual Credit/Early Admission Application signed by the non-traditional secondary education principal or designee.
3. Students must submit an application for admission and a current transcript (prior to graduation).

D. Students who are enrolled in a non-traditional secondary education program (i.e., a home school or a non-accredited high school), who seek to enroll in Career and Technical Education Certificate of Completion courses may be admitted based on successful completion of the following:

1. Students must have a completed Hill College Dual Credit/Early Admission Application signed by the superintendent, high school principal, or designee.
2. Students must submit an application for admission and a current transcript (prior to graduation).

All students who participate in the Early Admissions/Concurrent Enrollment/Dual Credit Program must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA to remain in good standing. Students will be enrolled provisionally on a semester by semester basis. Credit will be awarded according to state, local, and institutional policies in effect at the time of enrollment. Students participating in the Early Admissions/ Concurrent Enrollment/Dual Credit Program must submit a final high school transcript upon graduation from their high school or a state issued Certificate of High School Equivalency.

Veterans

Veterans are admitted on the same basis as other students. Hill College is approved for Veterans Training under the GI Bill of Rights, Public Laws 358 and 550, and under the Vocational Rehabilitation Laws.

COMMON ADMISSION APPLICATION FORM

Hill College accepts freshman and transfer application using the electronic common admission application form adopted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board pursuant to Education Code 51.762. Education Code 51.762; 19 TAC 4.11(a)-(b), also known as Apply Texas.

ACADEMIC FRESH START FOR ADMISSIONS DECISIONS

According to Texas Senate Bill 1321 (1993), if an applicant elects to seek admission under this section, Hill College, in considering the application for admission, shall not consider academic course credits or grades earned by the applicant ten or more years prior to the start date of the semester for which the

applicant seeks to enroll. An applicant who makes the election to apply under this section and is admitted as a student may not receive any course credit for courses under-taken ten or more years prior to enrollment. A student's Texas Success Initiative (TSI) exemption based on work completed prior to the Fall of 1989 is retained regardless of any election of Academic Fresh Start.

Students must request an Academic Fresh Start at the time of application. Students are requested to complete the Academic Fresh Start for Admissions Decision Form. Students will not be granted an Academic Fresh Start until the admission file is complete. This option does not relieve students from notifying the college of attendance at previous institutions nor of the need to submit transcripts indicating all previous course work attempted. For additional information on Academic Fresh Start, contact Student Information Services.

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

College administrators, faculty, and staff constitute the Admissions Committee. The committee shall consider individual student requests for admission or readmission when the student does not meet the college's standard admission requirements. Requests for hearings are made to Student Information Services.

COMMUNITY AND WORKFORCE EDUCATION

Hill College is committed to the educational and cultural development of citizens throughout its service area. The mission of the Community and Workforce Education (CWE) is to provide courses and programs that meet regional business and industry needs as well as special interests of residents of our service area. The purpose of the CWE Office is to prepare students for certification in a skill or trade and to facilitate continual self-improvement through professional development and personal enrichment classes. The specific goals of the program are to:

1. Provide opportunities for people of all ages to enrich their cultural lives and pursue their personal interests;
2. Provide workforce education and training to adults to assist them in acquiring or upgrading technical skills leading to employment or job advancement;
3. Sponsor in-service training opportunities for area employers and professionals to satisfy organizational needs and educational requirements for licensing or credentialing; and,
4. Provide other instruction as required to meet community needs.

These programs typically consist of non-credit experiences such as short courses, seminars, workshops, and lectures. Application and registration for all CWE courses requires a completed Community and Workforce Education Registration form. Hill College has an open admission policy, which ensures that

everyone who can profit from a college education has an opportunity to enroll. When applicable, courses may have additional admission and/or registration requirements that need to be met in order to comply with a certifying/licensing agency or a funding source.

Students will be informed of all admission and/or registration requirements for each course/program and can register at any Hill College campus/center location, contingent upon meeting program specific requirements. Persons registering for contract classes will be registered on site and/or by special arrangement. Each community and workforce education course/program normally requires payment of tuition/fees which is determined by the length and nature of the learning activity.

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

The procedures for entering Hill College are as follow:

1. Complete an online Application for Admission. (available at https://www.applytexas.org/adappc/gen/c_start.WBX)

- If you are going to live on campus, a completed Resident Application (with the \$50.00 non-refundable housing processing fee and a \$200 refundable residence hall damage fee) and health forms are required. A meningitis vaccination is required a minimum of 10 days prior to occupancy. (All International Students attending on the Hill County Campus are required to live in Hill College residence halls.)

2. Submit all required official transcripts. If you are a first-time college student, request your high school transcript be sent to Student Information Services at Hill College. If you are a transfer student, request each college/university attended to send an official transcript of credits directly to Student Information Services at Hill College. A personally delivered transcript will not be accepted as an official record unless it is delivered in a sealed college envelope. If not a high school graduate, send a state issued High School Equivalency Certificate or contact Student Information Services for further information.

3. Request any scores on the STARR End-of-Course (EOC), Texas Success initiative (TSI), American College Testing Program (ACT), or Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) be forwarded to Hill College.

4. Meningitis Vaccination is required for students that are 22 years or younger 10 days prior to the 1st class day. Meningitis vaccinations are valid for 5 years from the injection date. Exceptions can be made for students with a signed affidavit or certificate from a physician that states the vaccination would be injurious to the health of the student or students who sign an affidavit stating that the student declines the MV for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief. A

conscientious exemption form can be found on the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board website.

5. Academic and Career and Technical Education Advising. Degree plan and TSI requirement advising should be conducted prior to enrolling in Hill College. Academic Advising and Success Centers are located on the Hill County Campus, Johnson County Campus and Burleson Center. All students can access degree plans and additional account information using MyRebel, the online student portal.

6. Registration is available online using MyRebel, the online student portal. Student with holds prohibiting online registration, must register in person through one of the Academic Advising and Success Centers, located on the Hill County Campus, Johnson County Campus or Burleson Center. Registration dates and information are located on the Hill College web page and on the Academic Calendar.

TEXAS SUCCESS INITIATIVE (TSI)

The 78th Texas Legislature passed SB 286 repealing the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) and creating the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) regarding student assessment and developmental education. The TSI requires mandatory assessment for all students. The bill authorizes the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to prescribe assessment instruments with a statewide passing standard. The TSI requires an institution to develop an individualized plan for each student who needs to attain college readiness. The initiative allows an institution to determine when a student is ready to perform freshman-level academic coursework. The institution must make its determination on an individual basis according to the needs of the student. SB 286 requires each institution to report annually to the Coordinating Board on the success of its students and the effectiveness of its Success Initiative.

Hill College's Developmental Education Plan is designed to provide guidelines for students under the Texas Success Initiative. The following components are included in the plan: Developmental program mission, organization, program objectives, design, outcomes and policies; assessment requirements for concurrent credit high school students and college students; testing exemptions; plan for academic success; criteria for determining college readiness; re-test criteria; information for academic advising; and program reporting and evaluation. An Individual Academic Success Plan will be developed by an Academic Advisor, Developmental Education Success Coordinator or faculty advisor for students, who do not meet the minimum passing academic standard.

Under TSI, all students seeking an Associate degree or Certificate of Technology are required to test unless otherwise exempt based on one of the following:

1. Earned within the last five years, an ACT composite score of 23 or higher with individual mathematics and English scores of no less than 19. ACT scores are valid for five years from the date of testing.
2. Earned within the last five years, on SAT:
 - Taken prior to March 5, 2016: Composite score of 1070 and a minimum score on the Critical Reading of 500.
 - Taken on or after March 5, 2016: Minimum score of 480 on the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and a minimum score of 530 on Mathematics.
3. A student who scores one of the following:
 - STARR End-of-Course (EOC): English III EOC combined assessment in both reading and writing Level 2 TEA recommended score and Algebra II EOC Level 2 TEA recommended score **OR**
 - STARR End-of Course (EOC) Dual Credit Only Waiver: English II EOC combined assessment in both reading and writing Level 2 TEA recommended score and Level 2 TEA recommended score on Algebra I EOC and a passing grade in Algebra II high school course.
4. Possess an Associate's or Bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education.
5. A student who transfers from a private or independent institution of higher education or an accredited out-of-state institution of higher education and who has satisfactorily completed college-level coursework in math, English, and/or intensive reading (C or higher), as determined by the institution.
6. A student who enrolls in a Certificate of Completion; a program of 42 or fewer semester credit hours.
7. A student serving in the military or active duty as a member of the armed forces of the U.S., the Texas National Guard, or as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States and has been serving for at least three years preceding enrollment.
8. A student who on or after August 1, 1990 was honorably discharged, retired, or released from active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States, of the Texas National Guard or service as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the U.S.
9. A student who is a non-degree or non-certificate seeking study. A casual enrichment student may enroll in up to 8 hours before testing.

To enroll as a non-degree or non-certificate seeking student, the following criteria must be met. The student:

1. Must not be seeking an Associate degree or Certificate of Technology,
 2. Must meet admissions requirements,
 3. Cannot qualify for financial aid (PELL, student loans, work-study, etc.),
 4. Must meet all course prerequisites.
10. A student who has previously attended any institution and has been determined to have met readiness standards by that institution.

Assessment Instruments

Hill College administers the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) to assess college readiness.

Criteria for Determining College Readiness

There are three ways for Hill College students to meet college readiness standards:

1. Pass one of the recommended assessment instruments, e.g. ACT, SAT, STARR End-of-Course (EOC), TSI.
2. Successfully complete the sequence of the prescribed developmental education courses in the deficient area with a “C” or higher.
3. Qualify for Texas Success Initiative (TSI) exemptions/waivers

REGISTRATION

The registration schedule is published on the Hill College website and in the Academic Calendar. Traditional fall, spring, and summer semester classes are available with 8-week and mini semesters offered during the year. Registration includes completion of required forms, preparation of a class schedule, and payment of all tuition and fees. Registration can be completed by the student in person or via MyRebel, the online student portal.

MYREBEL

Through MyRebel, on Hill College’s Home Page at www.hillcollege.edu all students may view their transcript, final grades, account status, and class schedule. Students should contact the Student Information Services for information about on-line registration.