

**The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center  
School of Health Professions Clinical Laboratory Science Program  
Applicant Worksheet**

**Read this first!**

- Admission to the program is highly competitive
- You are encouraged to review the website ([www.mdanderson.org/healthsciences](http://www.mdanderson.org/healthsciences))
- Incomplete application packets cannot be considered. We recommend that you check off each item on this worksheet as you complete it.
- This worksheet is for your use; you do not need to return it as part of your application packet.

***Instructions: Enter the completion date for each requirement listed.***

**A. ELSEVIER HESI ASSESSMENT – Complete no later than March 1**

The assessment will cover your understanding of mathematics, reading comprehension, vocabulary and general knowledge and grammar. Additionally, you will be asked a series of questions to determine your personality and learning styles.

- ✓ You are allowed to sit for the exam a maximum of 2 times. (\$32 for exam plus fee for test center)
- ✓ Exam scores cannot be more than 2 years old at the time of the application.
- ✓ Schedule the exam at an early date in order to allow time to retake it if necessary.

**Minimum scores required:**

- 75% in each of the following sections: mathematics, reading comprehension, vocabulary and general knowledge and grammar.

Date of completion	Description of Requirement
	<b>1. Register for the HESI Exam</b> ⇒ <a href="#">Follow detailed instructions (pdf)</a> ⇒ Provide School ID: 199343
	<b>2. Schedule an exam date/time (General HESI)</b> ⇒ Locate nearest Prometric exam center <a href="http://www.prometric.com">www.prometric.com</a> ⇒ Search for “Elsevier” ⇒ Schedule exam
	<b>3. Obtain study materials at <a href="http://www.elsevier.com">www.elsevier.com</a></b> ⇒ Search for “HESI”
	<b>4. Complete exam and confirm that acceptable scores have been attained.</b>

5. Reschedule exam if necessary.

**B. PREREQUISITE ACADEMIC COURSEWORK – All prerequisite coursework must be completed by the first day of classes.**

- ✓ Minimum overall GPA and math/science GPA for admissions is 2.5
- ✓ Out of state applicants should carefully review the Texas Core Curriculum requirements (summary provided below).

Additional details are provided in the School of Health Professions online catalog. Go to [www.mdanderson.org](http://www.mdanderson.org) and enter the search term “Texas Core Curriculum.”

Completion of recommended courses is optional but will reflect favorably on your application.

Date of completion	Description of Requirement
	<p><b>1. Communication (English rhetoric/composition): 6 hours</b></p> <p>ENGL 1301, ENGL 1302, ENGL1311, ENGL 1312, ENGL 2311, ENGL 2314, ENGL 2315, or equivalent</p> <p><i>Basic communication proficiency skills acquired during introductory courses. This includes competency with grammar, writing, speaking and listening/comprehension.</i></p>
	<p><b>2. Mathematics: 3 hours</b></p> <p>College Algebra- MATH 1314 or higher or (STATS) MATH 1342, MATH 1442, MATH 2342, MATH 2442, or PSYC 2317, or equivalent</p>
	<p><b>3. Natural Sciences: 12 hours</b></p> <p>Courses with prefix BIOL, CHEM, GEOL, PHYS or other natural sciences</p> <p>Courses completed in fulfillment of the 12 hour requirement must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Anatomy and Physiology I/II or Biology I/II</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> General Chemistry I/II with Labs</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Organic Chemistry I with Lab</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Organic Chemistry II with Lab or Biochemistry</li> </ul>
	<p><b>4. Humanities: 3 hours</b></p> <p>Literature, philosophy, modern or classical language/literature, upper division foreign language and cultural studies.</p> <p><i>Humanities application of language skills includes a study of literature in the original language, and/or cultural studies related to modern or classical language.</i></p>
	<p><b>5. Visual and Performing Arts: 3 hours</b></p>

	Visual and performing arts courses with prefixes ARTS, DANC, MUAP, MUEN, MUSI, DRAM or equivalent
	<p><b>6. Social Sciences: 12 hours</b></p> <p>U. S. and Texas History- 6 hours  HIST 1301 &amp; HIST 1302 <u>OR</u> HIST 1301 &amp; HIST 2301 <u>OR</u> HIST 1302 &amp; HIST 2301</p> <p>Political Science including Texas Government- 6 hours  GOVT 2301 &amp; GOVT 2302 <u>OR</u> GOVT 2301 &amp; GOVT 2305 <u>OR</u> GOVT 2301 &amp; GOVT 2306  <u>OR</u> GOVT 2305 &amp; 2306</p> <p><i>All students (in-state and out-of-state) must complete this requirement prior to the first day of classes. These courses are available on-line at many Texas public institutions of higher education.</i></p>
	<p><b>7. Behavioral Sciences: 3 hours</b></p> <p>Courses with prefixes ANTH, ECON, CRIJ, GEOG, PSYC, SOCI, or SOCW</p>
<b>C. ONLINE APPLICATION FORM– Must be completed by April 1</b>	
<b>Date of completion</b>	<b>Description of Requirement</b>
	<p><b>1. Prepare your essay. Check to make certain:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Essay is focused, on-topic and tailored to Clinical Laboratory Science discipline</li> <li>⇒ Essay is free from content, spelling and grammatical errors</li> <li>⇒ Essay clearly communicates why you should be selected for the Clinical Laboratory Science program</li> <li>⇒ Essay is well written and concise. <i>(The essay will need to fit in the space provided on the online application form. Please disregard statements on the application form that advise submitting additional documents. Additional documents cannot be considered.)</i></li> </ul>
	<p><b>2. Complete all sections of online form (link on <a href="#">UT Health Science Center program application</a> website.)</b></p> <p>Items 1 – 10: Identifying and demographic information  Items 11 – 14: Program/prior enrollment information  Items 15 - 17: Academic experience and residency information  Item 18: Information on professional references  Item 19 - 21: Professional experience/experience with MD Anderson  Item 22: Disclosure of criminal activity  Item 23: Essay</p>

	<b>3. Proofread application form and submit online</b>
	<b>4. Note account access information provided with confirmation from registrar's office</b> A# _____

**D. PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS – Must be received by April 1**

<b>Date of completion</b>	<b>Description of Requirement</b>
	<b>1. Identify three professional references</b> Identify three individuals that can provide an appropriate <b>professional</b> recommendation. Examples of suitable individuals include instructors, professors, employers and supervisors.
	<b>2. Download form from UTHSC site and distribute to recommenders, along with stamped, addressed envelope.</b> Recommendations must be written on the official form. Letters, emails, etc. cannot be considered.
	<b>3. Verify that Recommendation #1 has been received by registrar's office</b> (check online account using procedure provided by registrar's office).
	<b>4. Verify that Recommendation #2 has been received by registrar's office</b> (check online account using procedure provided by registrar's office).
	<b>5. Verify that Recommendation #3 has been received by registrar's office</b> (check online account using procedure provided by registrar's office).

**E. TRANSCRIPTS – Must be received by April 1**

- ✓ Official copies of a transcript from all colleges and universities you have attended should be sent electronically (preferred) or mailed to:

UTHSC-H  
Office of the Registrar, UTC-2250  
7000 Fannin Street  
Houston, Texas 77030

*Foreign Transcript Evaluations are due by April 1. Go to the American Society of Clinical Pathologists website ([www.ascp.org](http://www.ascp.org)) to find an approved evaluator service. This process may take up to 30 days.*

Date of completion	Description of Requirement
	1. REQUEST official transcript from _____ (name of school) .
	2. REQUEST official transcript from _____ (name of school) .
	3. REQUEST official transcript from _____ (name of school) .
	4. Verify registrar has RECEIVED official transcript from _____ (name of school). Check online account using procedure provided by registrar’s office.
	5. Verify registrar has RECEIVED official transcript from _____ (name of school). Check online account using procedure provided by registrar’s office.
	6. Verify registrar has RECEIVED official transcript from _____ (name of school). Check online account using procedure provided by registrar’s office.

**F. VACCINATIONS – Must be COMPLETED by FIRST DAY OF CLASS**

- ✓ Proof of immunizations signed by a healthcare provider is required to participate in all clinical rotations and student laboratories.
- ✓ IF any antibody titer is negative, you must follow-up with a booster shot.

Date of completion	Description of Requirement
	<b>Tetanus/diphtheria or Tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis</b> One dose within the past 10 years
	<b>MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)- may be done as one shot or individual</b> 2 are required if born after January 1, 1957 and must be given by 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday Or Serological confirmation ( <i>Request an “antibody titer”</i> )* <i>*Provide lab report</i>
	<b>Hepatitis B vaccine (3 series injection)</b> This series takes over 6 months to obtain. <i>Start immediately.</i>  Provide documentation of the 3 injections <b>AND</b>

	<p><b><i>Hepatitis B surface antibody titer (it must be <b>positive</b>)</i></b></p> <p><i>This is the only immunization that will have an extended due date but you must submit paperwork showing at least the first 2 injections prior to the first day of class.</i></p>
	<p><b>Varicella (chicken pox) Vaccine Series</b> 2 injections after 1995</p> <p>If you have had chicken pox, request a <b><i>Varicella Antibody Titer</i></b>. Provide the lab report.</p>
	<p><b>Neisseria meningitidis Vaccine</b></p> <p>Vaccination must occur 10 days or more in advance of orientation week</p>
	<p><b>Tuberculin Skin Test (PPD)</b> Required within the past 12 months, unless documentation of a past positive PPD (over 10 mm induration). A TB skin test is required, even if you have received BCG vaccination, unless documentation of a 10 mm positive reaction is provided.</p> <p>Documentation of injection and result (positive/negative) required.</p> <p><b><i>If positive</i></b>, documentation of a chest x-ray findings is required.</p>

**The most competitive applications will be selected and applicants will be invited to continue the admissions process by participating in a personal interview with the Program Faculty/Staff.**

Applicants are ranked based on:

- Overall grade-point-average
- Math/Science grade-point-average
- Last 60 hours grade-point-average
- Educational history (degree earned)
- Scores of professional recommendations and
- HESI scores