Congratulations on your acceptance! These frequently asked questions will help guide you on your way.

**Campus Information**

**Where is the Department of Health and Human Performance located on campus?**
Visit [www.uh.edu/cgi-bin/campusmap](http://www.uh.edu/cgi-bin/campusmap) to see the campus map. The department is located in 104 Garrison Building on the corner of Holman Street and Cullen Blvd. The physical address for the department is: 3855 Holman Street, 104 Garrison Building, Houston, TX 77204-6015. The main office phone is (713)743-9840.

**How do I get my CougarOne student ID?**
It’s as easy as going to room 279, upstairs in the University Center. They will issue you a temporary ID card; you will then be mailed your CougarOne card. You will need your student ID for access to various campus events, health center, recreation center, and external library web-based access. It is also used for meal plans, tuition and financial aid refunds. For more information and to activate your card, go to [www.cougarone.com](http://www.cougarone.com). Students in the online program should call (713)743-5096 for information on how to obtain your student ID, since you cannot come to campus.

**Where do the shuttles run?**
There are five color coded shuttles that cover the entire campus. These shuttles run every 15 or 25 minutes depending on the route. The route maps and hours can be found at [www.uh.edu/plantops/images/pts_maps/ShuttleRouteMap.pdf](http://www.uh.edu/plantops/images/pts_maps/ShuttleRouteMap.pdf).

**Where can I park on campus?**
There is a student parking lot (lot 15D - [www.uh.edu/cgi-bin/campusmap](http://www.uh.edu/cgi-bin/campusmap)) next to Robertson Stadium that is across the street from the Garrison building and Melcher gymnasium.

**Do I need a campus parking permit?**
Yes! There are three versions available: economy, student, and garage. Economy parking lots are typically on the campus borders and are the least expensive. The student lot is across the street from Garrison and Melcher building in lot 15D. The garage is the only choice available for covered parking. Click on any parking area on the interactive map ([www.uh.edu/cgi-bin/campusmap](http://www.uh.edu/cgi-bin/campusmap)) to find out which permit it requires. Parking permits are purchased through the PeopleSoft system (‘Registration and Rules’ section) and added to your fee bill.

**How do I find my classes?**
The majority of all of your courses will be taken in the Garrison, Melcher, and Farish Hall buildings. Most of the courses at the graduate level are offered during evening hours with the exception of the completely online courses. You can check the code for the building you need on your class schedule and visit [www.uh.edu/cgi-bin/campusmap](http://www.uh.edu/cgi-bin/campusmap) for an interactive map of the campus.

**Where do I buy textbooks?**
There are many options for new and used books available on-line. However, there are two stores on campus. The University Bookstore is located in the University Center. The other option is The College Store on Elgin St. Both stores allow you to buy or reserve textbooks online, and will also buy back books at the end of each semester. Visit [http://uh.bkstore.com/](http://uh.bkstore.com/) for the campus store, and [http://www.thecollegestore.com/rho/](http://www.thecollegestore.com/rho/) for The College Store.
**Registration and Rules**

**How do I use the library?**
Simply take your CougarOne card to any of the five libraries on campus and you are permitted access. If you prefer studying on campus, the M.D. Anderson library is even open 24 hours during final exams. Other hours and locations are found at http://info.lib.uh.edu/. You can also check book availability on this site before visiting the library. Additionally, from the ‘Research Tools’ section you can access many academic databases from home.

**Are there computer labs available?**
Absolutely! There are many labs spread throughout campus in the various colleges, as well as in common areas such as the University Center and M.D. Anderson Library. All these can be found at www.uh.edu/infotech/computerlabs. Also, by being a student in the College of Education you can access labs in Farish Hall, Garrison building, and Cameron building. These locations and hours are found at www.coe.uh.edu/mycoe/cite/labhours.cfm

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**Please read the Graduate Catalog thoroughly:**
http://www.uh.edu/grad_catalog/

**What is a PeopleSoft number?**
This is a unique seven digit number assigned to you during your career at UH. It is used to login to http://my.uh.edu, where you can register for classes, pay your fee bill, add and remove parking services or meal plans, and update your personal information. You will use this number for many other purposes; make sure to memorize your PeopleSoft number and password!

**When can I register for classes?**
Registration appointments are assigned toward the end of a semester. When these assignments are made you will receive an email. You may then check the exact time and date of your appointment within the PeopleSoft system (http://my.uh.edu) by clicking the ‘Student Center’ link and looking at the Enrollment Dates in the far right column.

**How do I register for classes?**
Registration is done online through the PeopleSoft system found at http://my.uh.edu. To use the system for the first time you must click the ‘Forgot Your Password?’ link, answer basic security questions, then your initial password will be emailed to you. You can find help with registration and other PeopleSoft features at http://www.uh.edu/peoplesoft/mypeoplesoft/. Be sure to contact your faculty advisor to be advised on the appropriate courses to take.

**Do I have to complete a Masters Thesis?**
It is only required for students admitted to the M.S. degree to complete a thesis. Students in the M. Ed. Degree programs can opt to do a thesis in place of completing the comprehensive exam. However, this must be in consultation with your assigned faculty advisor.

**What is the MyAdvisor system?**
This is an online system found at http://myadvisor.coe.uh.edu which allows you to complete many forms associated with progress toward your degree in the College of Education. These include: petitions, degree plans, application for comprehensive exams, and the application for graduation.

**Can I transfer credits from another graduate program?**
Students must complete at least 27 (of the required 36) semester hours at the University of Houston after admission to the graduate degree program. Upon the recommendation of the faculty advisor, up to 9 semester hours may be transferred from another graduate program. These courses are reviewed by the departmental M.Ed. Graduate Committee for viability of transfer. A syllabus of the transfer course in question must be submitted along with the graduate petition signed by the faculty advisor.

Students admitted as post-baccalaureate may petition to transfer a maximum of 6 hours across two semesters, or the total hours earned during one semester into the graduate program upon admission.

**What is WebCT?**
WebCT, a system to take courses online, is found at www.uh.edu/webct. It is used by many professors, not only to teach courses, but to supplement the information presented in class. Instructors can post presentation slides, reviews, links, videos, quizzes, tests, and grades. You can visit the WebCT site at any time to retrieve your login information. Not every class will use this resource, but many do. All courses in HHP designated as online will utilize this system. An ID and password are required to log-in. You can click the link within the WebCT homepage to determine your ID and password.
**What is the 4-C rule?**
A student who receives a grade of C+ or lower in 12 semester hours of credit attempted UH for graduate credit or for application toward the graduate degree, regardless of the student's classification, whether or not in repeated courses, is ineligible for any advanced degree and will not be permitted to re-enroll for graduate study.
http://www.uh.edu/grad_catalog/garr/c_rule.html

**What is the comprehensive exam?**
This exam is required of all students admitted to the M. Ed. Degree programs. This exam can be taken after completing 18 credit hours under the advisement of your faculty advisor. You apply for this exam through the COE MyAdvisor website.

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**Financial Information**

**How much will my tuition be?**
The tuition and fee schedule for resident (US citizens residing in TX) and non-resident (US citizens residing outside of TX and non-US international students) students can be found at http://www.uh.edu/financial/graduate/tuition-fees/tuition. Keep in mind that there are also required fees, college fees, and specific course fees that will be added to your total fee bill.

**How do I pay my tuition and fees?**
Simply access the PeopleSoft system at http://my.uh.edu then click the 'Make a Payment' link under the 'Student Financials' section. From here you are able to pay via electronic check or credit card and even take advantage of a simple payment plan schedule.

**Is financial aid available?**
Absolutely; to find out if you qualify submit the FAFSA application found at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/. If you are not interested in Federal aid, or do not qualify, you can apply for a variety of student loans. Details can be found at http://www.uh.edu/admissions/financial/graduate/loans/.

**Are there fellowship opportunities available?**
Positions are limited, but the Department of Health and Human Performance does offer teaching fellowships and research assistant positions. The policies governing these positions are found at: http://www.uh.edu/grad_catalog/grad_assistantship/gatf.html. If you are interested in applying, submit an application to Dr. Charles Layne at clayne2@uh.edu.

**What student housing options are available?**
There are six on campus housing options. The University maintains three facilities, while private companies manage the remaining three. Graduate students tend to live at one of the apartment style complexes, which are Cambridge Oaks, Cougar Place, Bayou Oaks, and Cullen Oaks. Details of all housing options are found at http://www.housing.uh.edu/housingmain.html.