



Application for Admission

Austin Center for Design exists to transform society through design and design education. This transformation occurs through the development of design knowledge directed towards all forms of social and humanitarian problems. The center explicitly tackles problems related to homelessness and transient, temporary housing solutions, healthcare access, affordability, and comprehension, nutrition, personal wellness, and consumption, poverty, and sustainability and environmental impact.

The Center offers an integrated approach to innovation incubation that repositions creative design education in the context of designing for the public sector. Students learn the interdisciplinary skills of creative design thinking, as applied to solving complicated problems of society and culture.

Policies and Procedures

Applications for the 2012 academic year are accepted on a rolling basis, until June 1st, 2012. The school reserves the right to verify all documents submitted as application for admission. Any falsification of admission documents or portfolio materials constitutes grounds for termination of application procedures or dismissal from the school. Only complete applications will be considered; a complete application includes a completed application form, a statement of purpose, a portfolio, a resume, and an application fee.

Portfolio Requirements

A portfolio of design work – or related work, such as advertising, fine art, or other creative material – is required for admission. The portfolio should showcase an applicant's best work, presented as professionally as possible. It should demonstrate the applicant's interests in and aptitudes for advanced study and, specifically, potential for success at the Austin Center for Design. Applicants are encouraged to submit only their best work; strive for quality, not quantity. All materials should be submitted electronically via email.

Images should be saved as high-quality JPEG or PNG files (with a file suffix of .jpg or .jpeg, or .png), PDF files, or digital portfolios created in PowerPoint, Director, Flash or HTML. Online portfolios should be checked to assure that links work properly and all necessary files are included. Applicants should indicate whether special instructions are necessary for the viewing of portfolios. In the case of documented, professional or group projects, applicants should indicate personal responsibilities.

Resume Requirements

A resume is required for admission. The resume should list a history of the applicant's previous work, education, awards, and other accomplishments. The resume should be submitted as a PDF file.

Statement of Purpose Requirements

A statement of purpose is required for admission. The statement of purpose should describe, in no more than 2000 words, the applicant's intent for attending the Austin Center for Design. The statement of purpose should be submitted as a PDF file.

Non-Discriminatory Policy

The Austin Center for Design admits students of any race, color, national origin, and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, and ethnic origin in administration of its education policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Approved and Regulated Statement

The Austin Center for Design is Approved and Regulated by the Texas Workforce Commission, Career Schools and Centers, Austin, Texas.



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last (family) name first (given) name middle name jr., etc.

Social Security Number, if US citizen Birth date (month/day/year)

Email Address Twitter ID Website URL

Birthplace (state/country) Male or Female

Permanent home address

City/state ZIP/postal code

Country Telephone

Mailing address (if different from above)

City/state ZIP/postal code

Country

Citizenship (Note: The Austin Center for Design is not able to provide any Visa support for international students)

Have you ever been placed on probation, suspended or expelled from an educational institution? Yes No

Have you ever been fired or terminated prematurely (other than "laid off") from a job? Yes No

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or other crime? Yes No

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please attach a separate sheet of paper that gives the approximate date of each incident and explains the circumstances.

When you've completed your application, please email it to Admissions (admissions@ac4d.com) or visit <http://www.ac4d.com/contact.php> for more ways to submit your final application.