

**RISE GRADUATE SCHOLARS PROGRAM\***

First Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ MI\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Last Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/year)

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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City

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State

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student’s Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Cell, work)

\*US Citizen/Resident Status: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Racial/Ethnic Origin:

\_\_\_\_White Non-Hispanic

\_\_\_\_ Black

\_\_\_\_ Hispanic/Mexican American

\_\_\_\_ Asian/Pacific Islander

\_\_\_\_ American Indian/Alaskan Native

\_\_\_\_\_Non-Resident (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Graduate Major\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate GPA\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Graduate GPA (if any)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\* Note that the program is funded by the NIH and they require that participants be US Citizens or Permanent Residents

**Please include the following with this application (incomplete applications will not be reviewed):**

1. A résumé, specifically including your education, relevant research experience, honors, awards, and scientific publications, etc. Any other information that you feel will help the committee in its selection (limit two pages).
2. An original copy of your college transcript
3. Letters of Recommendation. **We will ask for the recommendation directly** so please provide the name and email address of faculty or staff that will provide a letter of recommendation:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| I understand that the RISE Selection Committee will use my UTEP student records as stored in UTEP’s computerized student record system during the selection process to review my academic career, including courses taken, grades received, and grade point averages at the beginning and end of each semester. Records may also be accessed in the future to determine the success of the program in recruiting qualified individuals. I hereby give permission to the RISE Committee to access my student records for this purpose.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Student Signature (initial if by email) Date |

**Academic and Future Plans (not limited to space provided):**

1. What kind of research would you like to pursue?
2. Have you identified potential mentor(s) for a rotation or lab you want to work in?
3. What degree do you plan to pursue?
4. What is your ultimate career goal?

**Research Interests:**

1. Have you had research experience before? Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. If you answered yes, where was this research experience obtained and for how long?

3. List any graduate coursework you have completed (if a long list just include a transcript) and the grade obtained.

4. Why are you interested in participating in this program?

**UTEP-RISE Application Checklist**

1. \_\_\_Completed Application including short resume.

2. \_\_\_Transcript

3. \_\_\_List of two references

NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS:

* Students are advised to ensure that all application information is accurate. False or inaccurate information contained in this application may be grounds for denying your candidacy or removing you from the program.
* Deadline for applications is variable due to graduation of trainees. However, we encourage applicants to submit their applications ASAP.
* Applications should be submitted ***via* email to** [**raguilera@utep.edu**](mailto:raguilera@utep.edu) along with a hard copy with the signature (transcripts should be mailed or hand-delivered) to:

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Professor of Biology

Director of RISE Scholars Program and Director of Graduate Studies in Biology

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* The receipt of your application will be acknowledged via email.