The Compass Program is designed for high school students who want an enhanced educational experience, are prepared for college curriculum, and desire to start achieving more academically. Students who are interested must apply to Texas Tech and interview with representatives of the Honors College. Compass participants are then selected based on their entire portfolio of information, including high school GPA, SAT or ACT test scores, personal interview, essay questions, etc.

Interested students can apply to the Compass Program as early as their sophomore year of high school to enroll in college courses during their junior year.
COURSE WORKLOAD
A high school student may enroll in a combined number of high school and college-level courses per semester, not to exceed a full-time college workload of 19 semester credit hours. For purposes of calculating workload, one-half high school unit shall be equivalent to three semester credit hours of college work. A student may enroll in a maximum of nine semester credit hours during a summer semester without being enrolled in high school classes during the summer term.

Compass Program students may not enroll in remedial (zero-level) coursework offered by colleges and universities that are designed to remove high school deficiencies.

Compass program students are not allowed to take Honors sections of courses until fully admitted into the university. To be fully admitted to the university, Compass Program students will need to submit a high school transcript stating they are a high school graduate and be in good standing with the university.

Compass Program students are encouraged to apply to the Honors College for full admission during their senior year. The application cycle typically begins in September. See an Honors College Advisor for details.

PROVISIONAL ADMITTANCE
Student must maintain a 3.0 GPA at Texas Tech and make a B- or better in each course taken at the university. Earning a C in a course will warrant probation.

QUESTIONS?
Contact Program Director
Dr. Aliza Wong at Aliza.wong@ttu.edu
P: 806-742-1828

ENHANCED EXPERIENCES
Mentoring Program
Students must participate in a mentoring program through the Honors College while taking courses at the university.

Additional Opportunities
Students are encouraged to participate in the Honors College Book Club and Lunch Discussion. See Honors College Website for details.

APPLICATION PROCESS
First, apply to Texas Tech University using the Apply Texas application at http://www.admissions.ttu.edu/. Apply as a regular undergraduate student.

Then using the online application on the Honors College website at www.honors.ttu.edu/compass to apply to the Compass Program.

Once the applications are reviewed, students will be contacted for an in-person interview by the Honors College.

Students selected for the Compass Program are invited to return to the Honors College for a personal advising session to discuss course options and enrollment.

Texas Tech has a wide range of academic programs for you to explore. From here, it’s possible.