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Program Highlights

• Students with teaching assistantships receive tuition waivers typically covering all but $600 during a fall or spring semester
• Doctoral students study and participate in research efforts with internationally-recognized scholars
• Small program size allows for opportunities to network with peers and faculty

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Program Concentrations

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• Finance
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Application Process

Recommended application deadline (fall start): December 1
Apply:
• to the Texas Tech Graduate School

Pay:
• a $75 non-refundable application fee

Submit:
• official transcripts from all colleges, universities, and post-secondary institutions that you have attended
• GRE or GMAT scores
• official proof of English proficiency for international students
• photocopy of degree

Visit phd.ba.ttu.edu to learn more about the application deadlines and to view step-by-step instructions on how to apply.
Scholarships and Assistantships

Assistantships
Assistantships are generally available to doctoral students in good academic standing for a period of four years. Continuation of the assistantship is contingent upon the student making satisfactory progress toward his/her degree. Assistantships are currently $22,750 per year for half-time service (20 hours a week). Award of an assistantship allows the student to be classified as “in-state” and waives certain fees bringing the tuition and fees for Ph.D. students on assistantship to about $600 per semester for nine credit hours.

Doctoral Scholarships
At the recommendation of the respective area and subject to approval by the Rawls College of Business, doctoral scholarships are awarded to outstanding incoming and continuing doctoral students. There are also a number of other university-wide awards, fellowships, scholarships and financial aid administered through the Texas Tech University Graduate School. Visit the Graduate School website for more information.

Travel Stipends/ Research Grants
The Rawls College of Business provides partial support for Ph.D. student travel (for example, to attend academic conferences) and generous grants to support research.

Program Requirements
The coursework in the program must total at least 60 semester credit hours past the bachelor’s degree, exclusive of any leveling work required or enrollment in BA 8000, the doctoral dissertation course. A Ph.D. student is required to enroll in 24 hours each calendar year with a minimum of 9 hours and a maximum of 12 hours each fall and spring semester. Students should be proficient in linear algebra and calculus prior to entering the program. There are no foreign language requirements. Full-time students should expect to complete the program in four to five years (not including any leveling coursework that may be required).

International students should check with the International Affairs Office regarding the International Teaching Assistant (ITA) workshop. The ITA workshop is conducted each summer to assess and improve the language skills of prospective international teaching assistants. At the conclusion of the workshop, students will take a test containing three parts: testing your proficiency in speaking, listening, and writing English. A low score on the test may require the student to enroll in a follow-up English as a Second Language course.

Key Faculty

Fred Davis, Ph.D.
Larry Williams, Ph.D.
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