

The Path to Admission through Co-Enrollment (PACE) Program is a collaboration between The University of Texas at Austin (UT-Austin) and Austin Community College (ACC) that facilitates co-enrollment for selected Texas residents who did not qualify for admission to UT-Austin. Select freshman applicants to UT-Austin are invited to participate in this innovative program that fosters the collaborative relationship between the two institutions and allows students an opportunity to transition into undergraduate education in a supportive and dynamic environment. Students who meet program requirements during their year-long co-enrollment continue their undergraduate studies at UT-Austin without having to apply for transfer admission. The mission of PACE advising is to support successful transition by cultivating the ability to utilize holistic perspectives in developing and accomplishing personal, academic, and professional goals. Granted full-time student status at ACC *and* UT-Austin, students are integrated into life on both campuses through program-specific academic and student-life support services. Resources for PACE students include coordinated in-house academic advising between campuses, peer mentorship, targeted social events, and a weekly seminar with customized curriculum to help students navigate their unique first-year experience. In addition to assisting with academic planning, PACE advisors work closely with students to promote a growth mindset, assist in development of life skills, and positively impact the UT-Austin and ACC campus communities.