



APPLICANT INFORMATION

BDP: _____ STRAND: _____

NAME: _____ EID: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

COLLEGE: _____ MAJOR: _____

EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE: (SEMESTER) _____ (YEAR) _____

I authorize members of the Faculty Panel to review my academic transcript at UT Austin.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

APPLICATION PROCESS & TIMELINE

- Complete this form, attach your essay (see Part I), and return to the Bridging Disciplines Programs Office in FAC I by 5:00 p.m. on the deadline date.
- When dropping off your application, you will be given a follow-up appointment with a BDP advisor.
- During your advising session, you will discuss Part II of this application with an advisor who will answer any questions you may have.
- Applicants will be notified of the Faculty Panel’s decision at the end of the semester.

PART I: APPLICATION ESSAY – Please answer in a separate document and attach to this sheet.

Write a 2-3 page, double-spaced essay describing your intellectual goals for this Bridging Disciplines Program (BDP) and how your work in this program will help you achieve them. Your audience for this essay is a panel of UT faculty members whose research and teaching interests relate to your BDP topic. You should address this audience through a coherent, structured, well-written essay that demonstrates specifically how your intellectual interests intersect with the BDP topic, what background you will bring to the BDP, and what future academic and/or professional goals the BDP will help you accomplish. Be sure to also include examples of the types of courses, research or internship experiences you would like to participate in as part of your BDP work. Please see “Tips for Writing a Successful Application Essay” for additional guidance on how to approach this essay.

PART II: COURSEWORK AND CONNECTING EXPERIENCE PROPOSAL - When meeting with a BDP advisor, you will develop a proposed plan to complete your 19 hour certificate requirements. *When preparing for this meeting, consider what courses from the curriculum sheet you would like to take, as well as what types of connecting experience internships or research projects you would like to pursue.*