

## Interview Questions for PHD Applicants

**1. What makes you interested in attending the social work doctoral program at UTA?**

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**2. What challenges do you see yourself facing if you were to be admitted into the program?**

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**3. What strengths would you bring to the doctoral program?**

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**4. What are you interested in researching in the doctoral program? Is there a research question that you would like to answer?**

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**5. Many people suggest that earning a PhD is much about perseverance. Can you describe a time that you persevered even though something became very rough and you were discouraged?**

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**6. If you were assigned to work with a faculty member on a research project that you were not that interested in, what would you do?**

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<b>Proposed Evaluation of Student Applications for Admissions</b>						
<b>Student's Name:</b>						
<b>Evaluated by:</b>						
<b>Date of Admission Review:</b>						
<b>GPA Score:</b>						
<b>UG:_____ GRAD:_____</b>						
<b>GRE Score: V:_____ Q:_____ TTL:_____</b>						
<b>TOEFL Score:_____</b>						
<b>BSW:_____ MSW:_____</b>						
<b>Scale: 1 = Below standard, 3 = Meets standard, 5 = Exceptional</b>						
1. Undergraduate GPA (3.0 minimum)	1	2	3	4	5	
2. Graduate GPA (3.4 minimum)	1	2	3	4	5	
3. GRE Score	1	2	3	4	5	
4. Curriculum Vitae identifies experiences in human services, participation in professional organizations and conferences, publications	1	2	3	4	5	
5. Goals Statement & Research Agenda consistent w/PhD Program Goals	1	2	3	4	5	
6. Writing Sample demonstrates strong writing skills and critical thinking skills	1	2	3	4	5	
7. Letters of Recommendations which document applicant's writing skills and critical thinking skills	1	2	3	4	5	
8. 500 on TOEFL/213 computer version	1	2	3	4	5	NA
9. Interview	1	2	3	4	5	

<b>PASSING SCORES FOR TOEFL:</b> <b>paper-based = 500</b> <b>computer-based = 213</b>							
<b>IELTS = 7.0</b> <b>iBT = 90 w/sectional scores:</b> <b>WR = 23</b> <b>SP = 23</b> <b>RD = 22</b> <b>LT = 22</b>							

Admitted Students (English Speaking) = 24 or higher  
Admitted Students (Non-English Speaking) = 27 or higher