**UT Austin**

**Compulsory Essay**

1. What was the environment in which you were raised? Describe your family, home, neighborhood, or community, and explain how it has shaped you as a person.

**Optional Essays**

1. Most students have an identity, an interest, or a talent that defines them in an essential way. Tell us about yourself.

2. You've got a ticket in your hand -- Where will you go? What will you do? What will happen when you get there?

**Word Limit:**

If you are submitting your essay online, it must be no longer than 120 eighty-character lines of text (including spaces and blank lines).