



## **Frequently Asked Questions**

**1. Are high school students able to apply?**

**No**, students must be enrolled in a college/university at time of application. ¡Lánzate! Official Rules and Guidelines require an Enrollment Verification Form for you and your college/university to complete and submit with your application.

**2. Are graduate students able to apply?**

**Yes**, graduate students are eligible to apply if they meet all the eligibility criteria. ¡Lánzate! Official Rules and Guidelines require an Enrollment Verification Form for you and your college/university to complete and submit with your application.

**3. Is this program ONLY for Hispanic students?**

**Yes**, student must identify direct or parental ties to a specific country to determine Hispanic origin.

**4. Do you have to be a legal U.S. resident?**

**Yes**, per ¡Lánzate! Official Rules and Guidelines, you must be a legal U.S. resident & have a valid government issued photo ID for air travel. If selected for the award, students will be required to complete and sign an IRS Form W-9 with the student's full social security number.

HACU staff will not assess or determine the status of individual applicants via email or over the phone during the application period. Please [click here](#) for a list of legal definitions.

**5. I am transferring schools, can I apply?**

**Yes**, currently enrolled students who are transferring next school year may apply. ¡Lánzate! Official Rules and Guidelines require an Enrollment Verification Form from your current college/university. You may indicate in your essay that you will use the e-passes while enrolled at your new institution.

**6. I am continuing my higher education studies next year, but I am currently not enrolled in school. Can I still apply?**

**No**, students that are not currently enrolled in college/university, or taking a "gap year," at the time of application are not eligible to apply.

**7. My hometown or college/university is outside of the continental United States and outside of the Southwest Airlines domestic destinations (i.e. Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico). Can I still apply?**

**No**, hometown locations must be within the continental 48 United States **and** the college/university the student is enrolled in must be within the continental 48 United States.

Per ¡Lánzate! Guidelines: ground transportation, hotel accommodations, and travel expenses are not provided. Recipients are responsible for transportation to and from the designated Southwest Airlines destination.

**8. What if my institution's registrar will not sign HACU's Enrollment Verification Form, but will provide their own version?**

Please feel free to submit the documents that your school provides, in lieu of the HACU template form. Enrollment Verification Forms must:

- 1.) **be signed** by the university registrar
- 2.) **confirm enrollment**, and
- 3.) **confirm GPA**.

Also, you may submit any additional documents (i.e. copy of transcript with GPA) along with your school's enrollment verification form to meet these 3 requirements.

**9. When will the e-pass(es) be issued?**

Selected students will receive an email communication, and the awarded number of flight e-passes by **August 6, 2021**.

**10. How many e-pass(es) will be issued?**

Selected students may receive **8 (eight) one-way Southwest Airlines flight e-passes** as determined by the selection committee.

**11. Do e-pass(es) have expiration dates?**

**Yes**, all e-pass(es) have expiration dates. Southwest e-passes will be valid from **August 9, 2021 –August 9, 2022**. Travel must be completed on or before the expiration date. HACU and Southwest Airlines will not reissue e-pass(es) if lost, stolen, or expired.

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