The Texas A&M University System

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Facts 2011
The Texas A&M University System was officially established in 1948 and has evolved into one of the largest systems of higher education in the nation, with a statewide network of 11 universities, seven state agencies, a comprehensive health science center, and a system administration office.

Each of the A&M System members has its own unique mission, history and goals. Together, they provide research, educational programs and community enhancement services that improve the lives of people in Texas and around the world.

A&M System members educate more than 120,000 students and make more than 22 million additional educational contacts through service and outreach programs each year.

With more than 28,000 faculty and staff, the A&M System has a physical presence in 250 of the state’s 254 counties and a programmatic presence in every county. The A&M System has real property holdings totaling more than 65,000 surface acres and 55,000 mineral acres.

The Office of Technology Commercialization has created bold new commercial alliances with industry and the public sector that are redefining university and public interaction. In 2010, externally funded research expenditures exceeded $772 million to help drive the state’s economy.

The A&M System, with a total operating budget of $3.3 billion, is governed by a nine-member Board of Regents. A nonvoting student member was added in 2006. The regents appoint the chancellor, the chief executive officer who oversees the direction and operation of the system. The system’s role is governed by the state’s education code, Title 3, chiefly Ch. 51, Sec. 51.353 and Ch. 85, Sec. 85.17.
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Established 1876

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Texas A&M University-Central Texas
Marc A. Nigliazzo, President
www.tamuct.org
Established as System Center 1999
Independent Status 2009

Texas A&M University-San Antonio
Maria Hernandez Ferrer, President
www.tamus.edu
Established as System Center 2000
Independent Status 2009

Texas A&M Health Science Center
Nancy W. Dickey, President and Vice Chancellor
for Health Affairs
www.tamhs.edu
Established 1999

Agricultural Agencies
Mark A. Hussey, Vice Chancellor and Dean
Agriculture and Life Sciences
agrilife.tamu.edu

Texas A&M AgriLife Research
Craig L. Nessler, Director
agrilifeextenstion.tamu.edu
Established 1887

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
Edward G. Smith, Director
agrilifeextension.tamu.edu
Established 1915

Texas Forest Service
Thomas G. Boggus, Director and State Forester
texasforestservice.tamu.edu
Established 1915

Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
Tammy Beckham, Director
tvmdlabweb.tamu.edu
Established 1967

Engineering Agencies
G. Kemble Bennett, Vice Chancellor and Dean of Engineering
ingineering.tamu.edu

Texas Engineering Experiment Station
G. Kemble Bennett, Director
tees.tamu.edu
Established 1914

Texas Engineering Extension Service
Gary F. Sera, Director
texx.org
Established 1948

Texas Transportation Institute
Dennis L. Christiansen, Director
tti.tamu.edu
Established 1950
The Texas A&M University System

Statewide Network

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Universities
Health Science Center
Engineering Agencies
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### Faculty, Staff and Student Headcount

**Fall 2010**

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### Student Diversity

**Fall 2010**

- **White**, 53%
- **Hispanic**, 23%
- **African American**, 12%
- **Asian/Pacific Islander**, 3%
- **Native American**, 1%
- **International**, 6%
- **Other**, 2%

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The Texas A&M University System
Established ............................ 1876
Fall 2010 enrollment* ................ 49,130
Number of faculty* ..................... 2,739
Student/faculty ratio .................. 19.7:1
Average undergraduate class size ... 40.6
Undergraduate degree programs ....120+
Graduate degree programs.......... 240
FY 2011 operating budget ..... $1.2 billion
Colors ......................... Maroon and white
Nickname ............................ Aggies
Athletic affiliation ...... Big 12 Conference
*Does not include branch campuses in Galveston and Qatar

Texas A&M University, the flagship university of The Texas A&M University System, is located in College Station, which, together with the adjacent city of Bryan, has a population of about 208,400 and is located within 200 miles of 19 million of the state’s 25 million citizens. Texas A&M, the state’s first public institution of higher learning, is the nation’s sixth largest university, with more than 49,000 students. A member of the prestigious Association of American Universities, the university is one of a select few to hold land, sea and space-grant status and has annual research expenditures of almost $652 million when including its affiliated agencies. Texas A&M’s endowment is approximately $5.1 billion. Texas A&M also is home to the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum.

Average SAT scores are considerably higher than the national average, and the university consistently ranks among the top 10 public universities in the enrollment of National Merit Scholars. More than 25 percent of the fall 2010 freshman class is a first-generation college student.
Texas A&M University at Galveston is Texas’ only higher education institution dedicated to learning, service and research in the sciences, engineering, business, and humanities of the oceans and coastal environments. The atmosphere fostered by TAMUG’s highly regarded faculty, as well as by its students and staff, emphasizes the intimate relationship between the university and the sea. TAMUG’s newly opened $54.3 million Ocean and Coastal Studies Building is the largest marine research facility on the Gulf Coast and one of the finest in the nation. TAMUG offers 10 undergraduate degrees, two master’s-level degrees and one post-graduate degree. The university is home to the Texas Maritime Academy, one of six state maritime academies in the United States that trains cadets for careers as merchant marine officers.

Texas A&M University at Qatar offers engineering programs in Education City, a 2,400-acre, multi-university campus in Doha, Qatar. Education City also has branches of Carnegie Mellon, Cornell, Georgetown, Northwestern, and Virginia Commonwealth universities. More than 450 students are enrolled, and since 2007, more than 150 Aggies have received undergraduate degrees in chemical, electrical, mechanical or petroleum engineering. The campus has a robust research program with $70 million in projects. Texas A&M at Qatar is wholly funded by Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development.
Established ................................ 1876
Fall 2010 enrollment .................... 8,785
Number of faculty .......................... 463
Student/faculty ratio ...................... 19:1
Average undergraduate class size ...... 33
Undergraduate degree programs ...... 50
Graduate degree programs ............... 45
FY 2011 operating budget .......... $166.4M
Colors .................................... Purple and gold
Nickname .................................. Panthers
Athletic affiliation ......................... Southwestern Athletic Conference

Prairie View A&M University is an institution steeped in tradition with a firm grasp of the future. The university enjoys an established reputation for producing engineers, corporate leaders, nurses, and educators. Close proximity to Houston, coupled with its quiet rural location, make the university an ideal place to study, learn and explore. PVAMU's dedication to excellence extends past its majestic campus into nearby Houston. The state-of-the-art College of Nursing resides in the world-renowned Texas Medical Center, where students learn the latest nursing procedures in simulation labs. In northwest Houston, students enjoy the convenience of centralized offerings in education, nursing and community development at the University’s new Northwest Houston Center.
Established ................................... 1899
Joined A&M System ....................... 1917
Fall 2010 enrollment ..................... 9,341
Number of faculty ....................... 502
Student/faculty ratio .................... 19:1
Average undergraduate class size ...21.6
Undergraduate degree programs ......64
Graduate degree programs ..............24
FY 2011 operating budget ........ $114.7M
Colors .......................... Purple and white
Nickname ............................. Texans
Athletic affiliation ................. Lone Star Conference

Tarleton State University is located about 60 miles southwest of Fort Worth in Stephenville, which is included in Norman Crampton’s The 100 Best Small Towns in America. Founded in 1899 as a private liberal arts college known as John Tarleton College, today the university is a near-perfect model of size, scope and affordability.

Tarleton offers the resources of a major public university—more than 80 bachelor’s and master’s degree programs, cutting-edge academic facilities and faculty experts with extensive university and industry experience. Tarleton offers the only bachelor’s degree in environmental engineering in Texas, and one of only four undergraduate hydrology-water resources programs in the United States. Tarleton also offers a Doctor of Education degree.

Upgraded campus facilities and affordable tuition combined with Stephenville’s low cost of living make Tarleton one of the best university values in Texas. Tarleton’s dairy research center, the only technologically up-to-date dairy center in the southwest United States, will open in 2011. Tarleton also has expanded its nursing programs with a new $23.4 million nursing building opening in 2011.

Tarleton has extended its reach from beyond Stephenville and is rapidly expanding undergraduate and graduate programs in Waco, online and in the Southwest Metroplex including Hood, Johnson, Parker, and Tarrant Counties.
Texas A&M International University is located in the city of Laredo, population 224,000, a historic cultural and commercial crossroads on the United States/México border now enjoying unprecedented growth. The stunning $160 million campus rises from former ranchland repurposed for the international empowerment of students as global citizens. TAMIU, which recently celebrated its 40th anniversary, is a vibrant and diverse home to students from 30-plus countries as well as the South Texas region. It offers bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees and is a collaborative partner in the continued growth and development of both Laredo and its sister city, Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, México.
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, the nation’s only university located on its own island, is nestled along the Coastal Bend of South Texas. Palm-tree lined walkways dotted with tropical flowers welcome students and visitors, and a beautifully restored beach is found at the campus entry.

The unique campus and top-notch facilities enjoyed by more than 10,000 students today are an integral structural part of the “Island University.” But it is the students who are its lifeblood, many whom would not be able to pursue a college degree without financial assistance. In September 2009, the university launched the $25 million “Momentum Campaign,” a comprehensive fundraising drive that will allow the university to establish more merit-based scholarships to compete for the best and brightest students and attract and retain outstanding faculty.

A&M-Corpus Christi offers bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees, including an interdisciplinary program in marine biology that allows students to earn postgraduate degrees utilizing the resources of A&M-Corpus Christi, Texas A&M University and Texas A&M University at Galveston. The program is the first of its kind in any state adjacent to the Gulf of Mexico.
Texas A&M University-Kingsville is located in historic Kingsville, a city of approximately 25,000 that is home to the legendary King Ranch. The university is the oldest continuously operating public institution of higher learning in South Texas.

The university offers more academic degrees and programs than any other college or university in the region, including biological and health sciences, environmental engineering and a master’s program in ranch management—the only one of its kind in the world. In the last two years, the university has welcomed a new residence hall and a new student recreation center, along with the largest enrollment rise in 30 years.
West Texas A&M University is a student-driven university offering the ultimate college experience through a perfect balance of liberal arts and career-oriented programs with top-notch professors, state-of-the-art facilities and Lone Star Conference championships. The university has received top commendations from The Princeton Review as a “Best in the West” institution and top-tier status for regional universities by the U. S. News and World Report. Award-winning academic programs, record enrollment and ongoing construction projects reflect a growing, vibrant university that is well prepared to meet the educational needs of a growing student population for years to come.

WTAMU’s beautiful tree-lined campus is located in the Texas Panhandle near the rugged beauty of Palo Duro Canyon. In addition to its main campus in Canyon, WTAMU also includes an 80-acre Horse Center, the 2,310-acre Nance Ranch and its Amarillo campus, located 15 miles north of Canyon in downtown Amarillo.
Texas A&M University-Commerce provides all students, ranging from first-generation college freshmen to transfer and non-traditional online students, with the tools they need to succeed. Here students enjoy a small-town atmosphere, small classes with hands-on experience and personal mentoring from professors. On-campus facilities include the new Sam Rayburn Student Center, Morris Recreation Center and a new music building. Students also can use the new Student Access and Success Center, a one-stop shop approach to meeting a student’s enrollment, admissions and advising needs.

A&M-Commerce is recognized in several areas of study including teacher and school administration education, pre-veterinary studies, music education, industrial engineering, and a new media art department whose students have attained national recognition. Convenient courses are also available online or at off-campus sites in Corsicana, Midlothian, downtown Dallas, and Mesquite.
On the Texas-Arkansas border, Texas A&M University-Texarkana is becoming a comprehensive regional university by offering opportunities to all students. The university welcomed its historic first freshman class in fall 2010.

A&M-Texarkana has among the lowest tuition rates in Texas and Arkansas. Small class sizes allow students close interaction with each other and with faculty. Oklahoma and Arkansas residents attend at in-state tuition rates; 30 percent of students are from Arkansas.

Construction is well underway on the university’s new 375-acre campus near Bringle Lake, which is designed to grow as student enrollment increases. Bringle Lake Village, a new 294-bed residence hall expected to be complete by fall 2011, will accommodate the expanding student population.
Texas A&M University-Central Texas became a stand-alone university in 2009. As an upper-level, military-friendly institution, A&M-Central Texas offers dozens of undergraduate and graduate degrees. Students take classes at several convenient campus locations, including sites at community colleges and Fort Hood. Flexible course schedules are offered weekdays, nights, weekends, and online to accommodate the needs of the expanding student population.

The university works with community colleges to provide seamless transfer of course credits. It also is a GoArmyEd partner—the gateway for active-duty soldiers seeking tuition assistance online for classroom, distance learning and eArmyU college courses. In fall 2010, construction began on the new campus on 662 acres at SH 195 and SH 201 in Killeen and is scheduled to be completed by spring 2012.

Established as system center...........1999
Established as stand-alone university.......................................................2009
Fall 2010 enrollment......................2,317
Number of faculty..............................113
Student/faculty ratio.........................15:1
Average undergraduate class size......17
Undergraduate degree programs..........38
Graduate degree programs..................26
FY 2011 operating budget...............$22.7M
Colors..............................Navy, maroon and silver
Nickname.................................Warriors

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Texas A&M University-San Antonio is located in the heart of San Antonio’s South Side. The university operated as a system center under Texas A&M University-Kingsville for nine years until receiving stand-alone status in 2009, bringing access to higher education to a historically underserved community. Today, the university’s undergraduate and graduate degree plans include programs that revolutionize teacher preparation while staying abreast of current trends in business and cutting-edge information technology and cyber security.

Located at a temporary site at 1450 Gillette Blvd., the university will soon move to the new state-of-the-art campus on nearly 700 acres located at Loop 410 and Zarzamora. The new campus is projected to open by fall 2011. With an unprecedented enrollment increase of 33 percent from fall 2009, the university is making great strides in fulfilling the educational needs of the community.
Facts 2011

Established ................................... 1999
Fall 2010 enrollment .................... 1,954
Number of faculty ............................ 495
Student/faculty ratio ......................... 4:1
2010 research funding .............. $78.6M
FY 2011 operating budget ...... $190.1M

The Texas A&M Health Science Center dedicates the collective expertise of its campus community to providing the state with high-quality health education, outreach and research. Faculty, staff and students are united by a belief that all people, regardless of geography, economics or culture, deserve the benefits of compassionate care, superior science and exceptional health education.

TAMHSC teaches a small number of undergraduates, but the majority of its students are graduate, professional and advanced post-doctoral. The health science center has campuses in Bryan/College Station, Dallas, Temple, Houston, Round Rock, Kingsville, Corpus Christi, and McAllen. Its six colleges are the Baylor College of Dentistry, the College of Medicine, the College of Nursing, the School of Graduate Studies, the Irma Lerma Rangel College of Pharmacy, and the School of Rural Public Health. Other units include the Institute of Biosciences and Technology and the Coastal Bend Health Education Center.
Texas AgriLife Research, with headquarters in College Station and scientists and facilities throughout Texas, is dedicated to research and technology development in agriculture, natural resources, food, and life sciences. Its mission is to improve life through science and technology. On several university campuses and 13 research centers across the state, AgriLife Research professionals and scientists, many of whom are nationally recognized in their fields, conduct basic and applied research to improve the productivity, efficiency and profitability of agriculture while maintaining a sustainable environment. Through numerous collaborations, AgriLife Research is helping to strengthen the state’s position in the world market by meeting modern challenges through innovative solutions.
A unique education agency, the Texas AgriLife Extension Service teaches Texans wherever they live, extending research-based knowledge to benefit their families and communities.

Extension education includes programs that demonstrate the latest technology and proven practices in agriculture and natural resource conservation. Others provide workforce training, support military families, improve human health, and strengthen food security and emergency preparedness. The 4-H youth development program annually engages some 593,000 youth, ages 5 to 18.

AgriLife Extension achieves this outreach via its statewide network of professional educators, volunteers and county offices—a program delivery system that also serves hundreds of school districts, government agencies, universities, community colleges, and other organizations through partnership and collaboration.
Texas Forest Service is recognized as the leader in defining forestry for the future of Texas and the nation. Its applied programs include forest and tree development; wildfire prevention, mitigation and protection; urban and community forestry; and a host of innovative forest sustainability programs.

TFS works to ensure the state’s forests, trees and related natural resources are conserved and continue to provide a sustainable flow of environmental and economic benefits.

TFS is the incident management agency for state disasters. The agency also is expanding the Texas Wildfire Protection Plan, increasing the number of personnel and emergency response resources throughout the state. TFS is the lead agency for the state for all-hazard responses, including suppression of wildfires and the management of state disasters such as the Space Shuttle Columbia recovery and Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Ike.
Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory handles more than 600 daily submissions, more than 180,000 annual submissions and runs nearly 1.2 million tests per year from Texas, neighboring states and around the world. With four laboratories located in College Station, Amarillo, Center, and Gonzales, TVMDL's testing and diagnostic capabilities help protect the agriculture, companion animal and public health sectors of Texas. TVMDL's routine daily testing serves as the backbone of a statewide, regional, and global animal and zoonotic/emerging disease surveillance system.

TVMDL's College Station facility includes Biosafety Level 3 veterinary diagnostic labs. These high containment laboratories are equipped to respond to high consequence animal and zoonotic diseases. TVMDL's primary clients include the citizens of Texas, veterinarians, state and federal agencies (Texas Animal Health Commission, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture) and the livestock and poultry industries.
Texas Engineering Experiment Station has been performing quality engineering research and developing technology to address state and national problems for nearly 100 years. TEES partners with industries, communities, government agencies, and academic institutions to find solutions to improve the quality of life, foster economic development and enhance education. TEES brings significant research dollars to Texas from federal and private sectors, and has been successful in attracting $17 for each state dollar appropriated. TEES also helps improve the state’s workforce by engaging more than 1,100 graduate and undergraduate students in research each year.

Research activities focus on relevant needs in areas including energy and the environment, transportation and infrastructure, national security, health care, informatics, workforce development, and education. The agency serves Texas with headquarters in College Station and specialized research centers and regional division offices throughout the state.
Established .............................. 1948
Number of educational/outreach classes annually ........ 5,600
Number of people served annually ..................... 194,000
FY 2011 operating budget........ $84.8M

Texas Engineering Extension Service is an internationally recognized leader in the delivery of emergency response and workforce training, exercises, technical assistance, and economic development. The agency provides customized training and technical solutions impacting homeland security and economic development.

Last year, TEEX served more than 194,000 people from every U.S. state and territory and 56 countries worldwide. TEEX also sponsors Texas Task Force 1 urban search and rescue team, oversees Texas’ swift-water rescue program and coordinates the Texas Public Works Response Team, saving countless lives and untold millions of dollars.

TEEX operates the world’s most comprehensive emergency operations training complex. Brayton Fire Training Field boasts 132 training stations and live-fire props, while Disaster City® is a 52-acre mock community with collapsed buildings and rubble piles for urban search and rescue training. The state-of-the-art Emergency Operations Training Center uses computer-based simulations for incident management training. TEEX is also home to the National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center, which has been preparing emergency responders to combat natural and man-made disasters since 1998.
Established ................................... 1950
2010 research funding ............... $48.3M
Statewide locations ...................... 10
Number of research centers .......... 11
Transportation professionals trained. > 4,000
FY 2011 operating budget .......... $56.6M

Texas Transportation Institute seeks solutions to the problems and challenges facing all modes of transportation — surface, air, pipeline, water, and rail. The Institute, which celebrated its 60th anniversary in 2010, works with more than 200 sponsors annually at all levels of government and the private sector. TTI is recognized as one of the finest higher education-affiliated transportation research agencies in the nation and helps prepare students for transportation careers.

TTI has saved the state and nation billions of dollars through strategies and products developed through its research program. Its research has a proven impact, resulting in lives, time and resources saved.

The Institute has made significant advancements in transportation safety, mobility, planning, systems, infrastructure, the environment and other vital areas.

With headquarters and laboratories on the Texas A&M University campus in College Station, TTI also maintains a full-service safety proving grounds facility in Bryan. TTI has offices in Arlington, Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Galveston, Houston, and San Antonio. TTI’s newest locations are in Doha, Qatar, on the campus of Texas A&M University at Qatar, and at the Texas A&M University Center in Mexico City.

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Frequently Asked Questions

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When was the A&M System established?
The Texas A&M University System was officially established in 1948. The original members were Texas A&M University, Prairie View A&M University, Tarleton State University, Texas Forest Service, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, Texas Engineering Extension Service, Texas AgriLife Extension Service (formerly Texas Cooperative Extension) and Texas AgriLife Research (formerly Texas Agricultural Experiment Station).

Today, the Texas A&M System provides oversight and leadership for 11 universities, seven state agencies and a health science center. Its role is governed by the state’s education code (Title 3, chiefly Ch. 51, Sec. 51.353 and Ch. 85, Sec. 85.17). Responsibilities include systemwide planning, coordination and execution of the policies of The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents.

What does “A” and “M” stand for?
Texas A&M, the state’s first public institution of higher education, was opened on Oct. 4, 1876, as the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas. Both Texas A&M and Prairie View A&M owe their origin to the Morrill Acts of 1862 and 1890, which established the nation’s land-grant college system. When Texas A&M gained university status in 1963, the “A&M” was incorporated into the official name in deference to the institution’s history and traditions, but the individual letters no longer explicitly stand for anything.

The A&M System is the state’s land-grant system.
What does that mean?
A land-grant college or university is an institution that has been designated by its state legislature or Congress to receive the benefits of the Morrill Acts of 1862 and 1890. The original mission of these institutions, as set forth in the first Morrill Act, was to teach agriculture, military tactics and the mechanical arts as well as classical studies so that members of the working classes could obtain a practical education.

The A&M System’s agencies, which conduct research and bring practical applications of research findings to the people of Texas, also came out of the land-grant system. There is now at least one land-grant institution in every state and territory of the United States, as well as in the District of Columbia.

How is the A&M System governed?
The A&M System is governed by a nine-member Board of Regents, appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Texas Senate for six-year terms. A nonvoting student member was added in 2006. The A&M System chancellor oversees the day-to-day administration, and each of the A&M System’s 19 members has a president, CEO or director.

What is the mission of the A&M System?
The mission of The Texas A&M University System is to provide education, conduct research, commercialize technology, offer training and deliver services for the people of Texas and beyond through its universities, state agencies and health science center.

Does the A&M System have a central admissions office?
No. Students must contact directly the preferred A&M System institution’s admission office. Information about these institutions can be found on the system’s website, www.tamus.edu.
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Texas A&M University-Kingsville
West Texas A&M University
Texas A&M University-Commerce
Texas A&M University-Texarkana
Texas A&M University-Central Texas
Texas A&M University-San Antonio
Texas A&M Health Science Center

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