

GENERAL INFORMATION



Opened: 1876
Colors: Maroon & White
Nickname: Aggies
Mascot: Reveille

Develops leaders of character dedicated to serving the greater good

Ranks as the nation's third largest university in enrollment, with more than 58,000 students — including 53,000 students and 12,000 graduate students on the main campus

One of a select few academic institutions in the nation to hold triple federal designations as a land-grant, sea-grant and space-grant university

Holds membership in the prestigious Association of American Universities — one of only 62 institutions with this distinction

Operates center in Costa Rica, facilities in Italy and Mexico and branch campuses in Galveston and Doha, Qatar — fully funded by Qatar Foundation



Has the only College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences in Texas and is one of the largest veterinary colleges in the nation

The Texas A&M Health Science Center awards bachelor's, master's, doctoral and professional degrees across a variety of health care disciplines, including medicine, dentistry, nursing, pharmacy and public health

The Texas A&M School of Law is accredited to award J.D. degrees



Home to the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum

TRADITIONS



12TH MAN

In the spirit of E. King Gill, who was called to suit up during the 1922 Dixie Classic in case his team needed him, students stand during football games to support their team.



YELL PRACTICE

Aggies don't cheer; they yell! Before each home football game, students gather at midnight to pump up the 12th man, led by five select Aggies elected as Yell Leaders.



SILVER TAPS

An honored Aggie tradition, the final tribute — with buglers playing Silver Taps — is held the first Tuesday of the month when a student has passed away the previous month.



MUSTER

Every April 21, Muster brings Aggies together worldwide. The stirring remembrance ceremony is dedicated to Aggies who have gone before us but are forever united in spirit.



AGGIE RING

One of the greatest moments in the life of an Aggie is the day they receive their Aggie Ring, the most recognizable symbol of their link to the Aggie Family.

Welcome to Aggieland

RANKINGS AND RECOGNITION

The Wall Street Journal named Texas A&M University 2nd among all universities in the nation in a survey of top U.S. corporations, nonprofits and government agencies, based on graduates recruiters prefer to hire

Ranks 2nd in the nation among public universities in the "great schools, great prices" category — and 23rd overall among publics by *2012 U.S. News & World Report*

Ranks 8th among U.S. public universities — and 1st in Texas — in a *New York Times* survey of business leaders worldwide based on the top institutions from which they recruit

Ranks 1st in the nation by *Smart Money* magazine in "payback ratio" — what graduates earn compared to the cost of their college educations

Ranks 2nd nationally among public and private universities in *Washington Monthly* based on research, service, social mobility and contributions to society

Ranks 4th in nation in "most affordable colleges with high returns on investment" by *AffordableCollegesOnline.org*

Ranks 1st in Texas in student retention and graduation rates — overall and for minorities

Ranks 4th among U.S. public universities and 10th overall with an endowment of more than \$5 billion

Ranks 1st in Texas and 18th among the nation's top 100 public colleges in *Kiplinger's* 2013 "best values"

RESEARCH

Ranks 23rd in the nation for total research expenditures (\$700 million plus in FY11)

Has 122 formal agreements for collaborative research and faculty student exchanges with 39 countries and active research programs on all seven continents

During the most recent fiscal year, researchers at Texas A&M and affiliated A&M System agencies, working together with the Office of Technology Commercialization, formed five startup companies and executed 68 license agreements, disclosed 211 new inventions, received 29 issued patents, and filed 93 new U.S. and foreign patent applications



FACULTY

Close to 80% of Texas A&M's 2,754 faculty members hold doctoral degrees; more than 300 hold endowed chairs or professorships

Includes 3 Nobel Prize recipients, 16 members of the National Academy of Engineering, 7 members of the National Academy of Science and a member of the Institute of Medicine

Home of the 12th Man

ACADEMIC COLLEGES

- Agriculture and Life Sciences
- Architecture
- The Bush School of Government and Public Service
- Mays Business School
- Education and Human Development
- Dwight Look College of Engineering
- Geosciences
- Liberal Arts
- Science
- Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences

There are more than 850 student-led organizations in which Texas A&M's students can participate to round out their education and hone their leadership skills



Approximately 14,000 enrolled students work part-time on campus, often in service-related jobs, and share in approximately \$110 million in earnings that helps them — and their parents — defray college expenses

Approximately 79% of the student body receives some form of financial aid, sharing in more than \$492 million annually

Ranks 21st in the nation in attracting international students, with 4,790 from 123 countries enrolled, most of whom are involved in graduate studies and research

The university has a robust education abroad program involving more than 3,000 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 80 countries annually



CORPS OF CADETS

It is among the nation's largest uniformed student bodies and commissions more officers than any other institution except for the nation's service academies; approximately 2,200 men and women participate on a voluntary basis

LOCAL COMMUNITY

College Station ranks 1st on "Top 10" List for Best College Towns — *Livability.com*

College Station is 1st in Texas and 6th nationally for Best Small Places for Business and Careers — *Forbes*

College Station ranks in Top 10 U.S. Cities for Raising Families — *Kiplinger's*



ATHLETICS

Texas A&M athletics is committed to academic achievement, athletic excellence and national recognition of student-athletes, teams and programs; almost 650 student-athletes compete in the SEC at the NCAA Division 1-A level in 20 varsity sports

STUDENT BODY

25% of the freshman class are the first in their family to attend college

The average SAT score for the freshman class is well above the national average

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