

GENERAL INFORMATION



Opened: 1876

Colors: Maroon & White

Nickname: Aggies

Mascot: Reveille

Total Enrollment: 58,809

College Station Campus: 53,000

Undergraduates: 44,839

Graduate and Professional: 13,000

Rank: Among nation's five largest universities

Purpose: To develop leaders of character dedicated to serving the greater good

Core Values: Integrity, Loyalty, Respect, Excellence, Leadership, Selfless Service

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



Home of 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 25th overall among publics by 2014 *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 2014 *Washington Monthly* based on research, service, social mobility and contributions to society

Ranks 4th in nation in 2014 for most affordable comprehensive public universities with high return on investment — what its graduates earn during the first 20 years of career — *Payscale*

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"

ACADEMIC COLLEGES

With 16 colleges and schools, including the Texas A&M Health Science Center and the Texas A&M School of Law located in Ft. Worth, the university is one of the most diversified and comprehensive in the nation



RESEARCH

Research expenditures for 2013 reached \$820 million, often translating into patents and licenses with significant, far-reaching economic benefits.



FACULTY

Close to 80% of Texas A&M's 4,259 faculty members hold doctoral degrees; close to 400 hold endowed chairs or professorships

Includes 3 Nobel Prize recipients, 13 members of the National Academy of Engineering, 6 members of the National Academy of Science and 3 members of the Institute of Medicine

Home of the 12th Man

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

There are more than 950 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 71% of the student body receives some form of financial aid, sharing in more than \$536 million annually



Ranks 24th in the nation in attracting international students, with 5,336 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



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*

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; more than 2,200 men and women participate on a voluntary basis



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

ECONOMIC IMPACT

Texas A&M University and other members of The Texas A&M University System in the Bryan/College Station area had a positive impact locally of more than \$4.2 billion during 2013 -- based on the use of a standard 2.5 multiplier effect representing the number of times such generated dollars are typically spent and re-spent in the local economy

THE SYSTEM

Texas A&M is the flagship of the Texas A&M University System – one of the largest systems of higher education in the nation, educating 131,000 students through a statewide network of 11 universities, seven agencies and two service units

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