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February 4-5, 2026

CONVENE

Chairman Bob Albritton convened a regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 1:05 p.m., Wednesday, February 4, 2026, in the Board Meeting Room on the campus of Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

The following members of the Board were present:

Chairman Robert L. Albritton
Vice Chairman Jay Graham
Regent David Baggett
Regent John Bellinger
Regent Randy Brooks
Regent Michael A. Hernandez III
Regent William "Bill" Mahomes, Jr.
Regent Kelley Sullivan Georgiades
Regent Sam Torn
Student Regent Jaquavous Doucette

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Albritton announced that the Board would recess to executive session as permitted by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. He said that, in accordance with the law, no final action, decision, or vote regarding any matter considered in the executive session would be taken, and that all final action would occur in open session.

Note: The Board met in executive session from 1:07 p.m. until 5:20 p.m., on February 4, 2026, and from 8:15 a.m. until 10:00 a.m., and from 5:45 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., on February 5, 2026.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND INVOCATION

Chairman Albritton reconvened the meeting at 10:10 a.m., Thursday, February 5, 2026, in the Memorial Student Center, Bethancourt Ballroom, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

The following members of the Board were present:

Chairman Robert L. Albritton
Vice Chairman Jay Graham
Regent David Baggett
Regent John Bellinger
Regent Randy Brooks
Regent Michael A. Hernandez III
Regent William “Bill” Mahomes, Jr.
Regent Kelley Sullivan Georgiades
Regent Sam Torn
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Chairman Albritton said the Board had met in executive session from 1:05 p.m. to 5:20 p.m. on February 4, 2026, and from 8:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on February 5. He reported that the Board considered executive session agenda items and conferred with Chancellor Glenn Hegar, several System and university administrators, and attorneys on personnel, real property, gifts, and legal matters.

Kane Kinney presented the invocation. Chairman Albritton said that Ms. Kinney is a senior at Texas A&M University, majoring in marketing in the Mays Business School, where she specializes in strategic retailing.

CHAIRMAN’S REMARKS

Chairman Albritton welcomed everyone to the Board meeting and thanked them for all their hard work in preparing for the Board meeting and everything else they have done to benefit the A&M System.

Chairman Albritton said he was proud to announce that, for the first time, we are meeting at the home of the NCAA National Champion Volleyball Team. He also noted that Texas A&M University finished the year 11-2 and ranked eighth in the nation. The Tarleton State University Texans also had a breakout season, finishing 12-2 and ranked sixth in the Football Championship Subdivision, and the Prairie View A&M University Panthers captured the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) Championship and made their first Celebration Bowl appearance. And, lastly, Chairman Albritton congratulated Texas A&M sophomore Aiden Ross for winning The Voice, Season 28.

Chairman Albritton thanked everyone across the System for all their work on the System’s 2026 course review. He said that the Board appreciates everyone’s diligence in ensuring the Board policies are implemented efficiently and effectively.

CHANCELLOR’S REMARKS

Chancellor Hegar presented highlights of A&M System's accomplishments.

Chairman Albritton added that the System held its annual Regents Award ceremony the previous evening. He said that the Board asked the agencies and universities to present individuals who have done extraordinary things in the past year. He said this event is likely one of the Board's favorites because they get to hear and meet people doing extraordinary things across our system and statewide.

Chairman Albritton said the Board is diligently working on the search for Texas A&M's next president and expressed his appreciation to Mr. Tommy Williams, Interim President, for his superb job.

RECESS AND RECONVENE

Chairman Albritton recessed the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

Note: On Thursday, February 5, 2026, the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs convened at 10:34 a.m. and adjourned at 11:56 a.m. The Committee on Research convened at 1:04 p.m. and adjourned at 2:11 p.m. The Committee on Facilities Planning and Construction convened at 2:11 p.m. and adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The Committee on Audit and Risk Management convened at 3:00 p.m. and adjourned at 3:03 p.m. The Committee on Finance convened at 3:03 p.m. and adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Chairman Albritton reconvened the Board meeting at 4:51 p.m., with a quorum of the Board present.

Note: Regent Brooks was not present for the remainder of the meeting.

Chairman Albritton requested that Mr. Williams introduce the Women's Volleyball coaches and staff who were present. Mr. Williams briefly spoke about the astonishing championship they won on December 21, 2025. He noted that they ended up beating three number-one teams. Chairman Albritton then introduced Mr. Jamie Morrison, Head Coach; Ms. Lindsey Walton, Assistant Head Coach; Ms. Jen Woods, Associate Head Coach; Mr. Jeff Fiorenza, General Manager and Assistant Coach; Mr. Joe Skinner, Director of Analytics; Mr. Trev Alberts, Athletic Director; and Ms. Katlyn Corbett, Director of Operations.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED NEW AND INCREASED GRADUATE AND NON-RESIDENT DESIGNATED TUITION FOR FALL 2026 SEMESTER, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Chairman Albritton reported that the Texas Education Code requires the Board to hold a public hearing to receive input from students regarding the proposed new and increased graduate and non-graduate designated tuition as shown in Agenda Item 1.4 for Texas A&M University-Central Texas, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, and West Texas A&M University, to be effective with the Fall 2026 Semester. He added that the Board did not receive any public comment requests. Chairman Albritton emphasized that the decision to increase tuition and fees is never

taken lightly and that they recognize the significant sacrifice families make in investing in their children's education.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chairman Albritton announced that the Board received one letter of written testimony regarding Item 4.1 and seven requests for oral public testimony regarding Agenda Items 4.1, 4.2, and 7.34.

Oral public testimony relating to Item 4.1 was presented by Martin Peterson, Robert Day, and Leah Tolan. Oral public testimony related to Items 4.1 and 4.2 was presented by Dr. Leonard Bright. Oral public testimony related to Item 4.2 was presented by Michael Collins, and oral public testimony related to Item 7.34 was presented by Phillip Bielasowicz. Copies of their written testimony are on file in the Office of the Board of Regents. *(Max Smith's name was called, but he was not present.)*

Chairman Albritton concluded the public testimony portion of the meeting. He thanked everyone for sharing their comments and beliefs.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Regent Baggett, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the committee met earlier the same day, considered Items 4.1 through 4.4, and recommended them to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Graham, seconded by Regent Bellinger, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (003-006).

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#### **MINUTE ORDER 003-2026 (ITEM 1.1)**

#### **APPROVAL OF FY 2027 OPERATING BUDGET GUIDELINES, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Texas A&M University System guidelines for the FY 2027 operating budget, as shown in the attached exhibit, are hereby approved.

#### **MINUTE ORDER 004-2026 (ITEM 1.2)**

#### **APPROVAL OF INCREASED NON-ACADEMIC STUDENT SERVICE FEES FOR FALL 2026 SEMESTER, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

All referendums required by law for increases in non-academic student fees have been properly conducted in accordance with the Texas Education Code.

The request for increased non-academic fees recommended by The Texas A&M University System institutions, as shown on the attached exhibit, is approved to be effective with the fall 2026 semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 005-2026 (ITEM 1.3)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW, INCREASED, AND DECREASED  
GRADUATE PROGRAM FEES FOR FALL 2026 SEMESTER,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The request for new, increased, and decreased graduate program fees recommended by The Texas A&M University System institutions, as shown on the attached exhibit, is approved to be effective with the fall 2026 semester.

**MINUTE ORDER 006-2026 (ITEM 1.4)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW AND INCREASED GRADUATE AND  
NON-RESIDENT DESIGNATED TUITION FOR FALL 2026 SEMESTER,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

All public hearings required by law for increases in designated tuition have been properly conducted in accordance with the Texas Education Code.

The request for new and increased graduate and non-resident designated tuition recommended by The Texas A&M University System institutions, as shown on the attached exhibit, is approved to be effective with the fall 2026 semester.

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REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Regent Hernandez, Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Risk Management, said the committee had met earlier that same day and received reports from Amanda Dotson, Chief Auditor, including the monthly audit report and the audit tracking report.

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**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON  
FACILITIES PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION**

Vice Chairman Graham said that the committee had met earlier that day, considered Items 3.1 through 3.8, and recommended them to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Graham, seconded by Regent Mahomes, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (007-014).

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MINUTE ORDER 007-2026 (ITEM 3.1)

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND INCREASED BUDGET,
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL
FOR PARTIAL CONSTRUCTION FOR THE TEXAS A&M SEMICONDUCTOR
INSTITUTE/INFRASTRUCTURE/EQUIPMENT PROJECT,
BRYAN, TEXAS (PROJECT NO. 01-3418),
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The project scope along with an increased project budget of \$205,500,000 for the Texas A&M Semiconductor Institute/Infrastructure/Equipment Project is approved.

The amount of \$113,738,500 is appropriated from Account No. 01-801010-00000, TSI - Building and Equipment, and the amount of \$48,062,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084900 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), for construction services and related project costs.

The Texas A&M Semiconductor Institute Building and Storm Drainage portion of the Texas A&M Semiconductor Institute/Infrastructure/Equipment Project, The Texas A&M University System, Bryan, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

MINUTE ORDER 008-2026 (ITEM 3.2)

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN
TO CHANGE THE FISCAL YEAR DESIGNATION FOR PROJECT INITIATION AND
APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR
THE HEEP LABORATORY BUILDING RENOVATIONS PROJECT
FOR TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (PROJECT NO. 02-3452),
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The request to amend the FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M System Capital Plan to change the fiscal year designation for project initiation for the HEEP Laboratory Building Renovations Project for Texas A&M University from FY 2027 to FY 2026 is approved.

The amount of \$3,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084900, Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), for preconstruction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

MINUTE ORDER 009-2026 (ITEM 3.3)

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN
TO CHANGE THE FISCAL YEAR DESIGNATION FOR PROJECT INITIATION
AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
FOR THE UNDERWOOD HALL SHOWER REPLACEMENTS
& FIRE ALARM SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT FOR
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (PROJECT NO. 2024-06499),
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The request to amend the FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M System Capital Plan to change the fiscal year designation for project initiation for the Underwood Hall Shower Replacements & Fire Alarm System Upgrade Project for Texas A&M University from FY 2027 to FY 2026 is approved.

The amount of \$560,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Housing Revenue), for preconstruction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby ` that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

MINUTE ORDER 010-2026 (ITEM 3.4)

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M SYSTEM
CAPITAL PLAN TO ADD THE CYCLOTRON INSTITUTE EXPANSION PROJECT
FOR TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY WITH AN FY 2026 START DATE AND
APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
(PROJECT NO. 02-3470),
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The request to amend the FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M System Capital Plan to add the Cyclotron Institute Expansion Project for Texas A&M University with an FY 2026 start date and a total planning amount of \$28,100,000 is approved.

Contingent upon the award of the Texas Space Commission grant, the amount of \$2,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-240300, Deans Initiatives Arts & Sciences, and the amount of \$810,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-808832-26002, Cyclotron Project, for pre-construction services and related project costs.

MINUTE ORDER 011-2026 (ITEM 3.5)

APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN TO ADD THE POULTRY SCIENCE CENTER PROJECT FOR TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY WITH AN FY 2026 START DATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES (PROJECT NO. 02-3461), TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The request to amend the FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M System Capital Plan to add the Poultry Science Center Project for Texas A&M University with an FY 2026 start date and a total planning amount of \$36,000,000 is approved.

The amount of \$3,600,000 is appropriated from Account No. 06-805118-01180, Poultry Farm Holding Account, for pre-construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

MINUTE ORDER 012-2026 (ITEM 3.6)

APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN TO ADD THE STUDENT HOUSING PHASE I PROJECT FOR TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS WITH AN FY 2026 START DATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES (PROJECT NO. 24-3445), TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS

The request to amend the FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M System Capital Plan to add the Student Housing Phase I Project for Texas A&M University-Central Texas with an FY 2026 start date and a total planning amount of \$30,000,000 is approved.

The amount of \$3,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Housing Revenue), for pre-construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

MINUTE ORDER 013-2026 (ITEM 3.7)

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M SYSTEM
CAPITAL PLAN TO ADD THE EAGLE LANDING PHASE 4 PROJECT FOR
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA WITH AN FY 2026 START DATE AND
APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
(PROJECT NO. 22-3482),
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The request to amend the FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M System Capital Plan to add the Eagle Landing Phase 4 Project for Texas A&M University-Texarkana with an FY 2026 start date and a total planning amount of \$51,800,000 is approved.

The amount of \$5,180,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Housing Revenue), for pre-construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

MINUTE ORDER 014-2026 (ITEM 3.8)

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M SYSTEM CAPITAL
PLAN TO ADD THE ATHLETICS COMPLEX PHASE II PROJECT FOR
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA WITH AN FY 2026 START DATE
AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
(PROJECT NO. 22-3483),
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The request to amend the FY 2026 – FY 2030 A&M System Capital Plan to add the Athletics Complex Phase II Project for Texas A&M University-Texarkana with an FY 2026 start date and a total planning amount of \$16,039,600 is approved.

The amount of \$1,603,960 is to be appropriated from Account No. 22-209021, Repair & Maintenance Reserves, for pre-construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

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**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Regent Torn, Chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, said the committee had met earlier the same day. He said that during the meeting, they heard an informative presentation on Artificial Intelligence that gave food for thought on how AI can be used to transform both instruction and business operations. Regent Torn noted that they received a report from the Student Conduct Working Group, and he commended them for their work and recommendations, and looks forward to hearing future reports on their implementation. He said that Dr. James Hallmark, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, also presented the Low-Producing Programs report and the process by which they will review the General Education requirements as stipulated and required by Senate Bill 37.

On motion of Regent Hernandez, seconded by Regent Sullivan Georgiades, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (015-016).

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MINUTE ORDER 015-2026 (ITEM 4.1)

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 03.02,
ACADEMIC MISSION STATEMENTS AND PROGRAM INVENTORY,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 03.02, Academic Mission Statements and Program Inventory, as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

MINUTE ORDER 016-2026 (ITEM 4.2)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR MEMBER UNIVERSITIES TO ESTABLISH
GENERAL EDUCATION REVIEW COMMITTEES TO COMPLY WITH
SYSTEM POLICY 11.06, CORE CURRICULUM, AND STATE LAW,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with Texas Education Code Sec 51.315, General Education Curriculum Review, and System Policy 11.06, Core Curriculum, authorizes academic member CEOs to establish general education review committees to conduct a comprehensive review of the university's core curriculum. The committee must review the core curriculum pursuant to the criteria found in Policy 11.06, Sections 2 and 3, and present a report to the Chancellor and Committee on Academic and Student Affairs no later than July 1, 2026.

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**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH**

Regent Bellinger, Chairman of the Committee on Research, said the committee met earlier that day. He reported that Dr. Joe Elabd, Vice Chancellor for Research, provided an update on the Research Excellence Fund. Regent Bellinger said that the committee received presentations from three incredible System researchers. He concluded by saying that the committee will continue to determine how the Board of Regents can make an impact with Texas A&M System Research.

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD**

Ms. Korry Castillo, Chief Strategy Officer, presented Item 6.1.

On motion of Regent Graham, seconded by Regent Bellinger, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (017).

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MINUTE ORDER 017-2026 (ITEM 6.1-REVISED)

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 29.01,
INFORMATION RESOURCES AND THE ADDITION OF A
NEW SYSTEM POLICY 29.02, INFORMATION SECURITY,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The revisions to System Policy 29.01, Information Resources, and approval of a new System Policy 29.02, Information Security, as shown in the attached exhibits, are approved, effective immediately

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Chairman Albritton presented Item 6.2.

On motion of Regent Mahomes, seconded by Regent Graham, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (018).

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MINUTE ORDER 018-2026 (ITEM 6.2-REVISED)

**APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The amendments revising Articles II, IV, VII and VIII of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents, as described in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

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Chairman Albritton presented Items 6.4 through 6.15.

On motion of Regent Sullivan Georgiades, seconded by Regent Torn, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (019-030).

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MINUTE ORDER 019-2026 (ITEM 6.4)

**AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE TWO AMENDED
AND RESTATED GROUND LEASES WITH LIFE TOWER OWNER, LLC FOR
A MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING MEDICINE AT
1020 HOLCOMBE BOULEVARD, HOUSTON, HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute, and deliver two amended and restated ground lease agreements with Life Tower Owner, LLC covering a tract of land containing approximately 4.5 acres for a mixed-use development that includes student housing, retail, offices, parking, and other ancillary commercial uses to be located adjacent to the Texas A&M University School of Engineering Medicine at 1020 Holcombe Boulevard, Houston, Harris County, Texas, and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents deemed necessary, to consummate the transactions.

MINUTE ORDER 020-2026 (ITEM 6.5)

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY 61.157 ACRES OF LAND
LOCATED ON FM 1098 IN PRAIRIE VIEW, WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following a review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to purchase land totaling approximately 61.157 acres from Gulf-Western Mortgage Company and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents deemed necessary, to consummate the transaction at a sales price not to exceed \$3,000,000 plus applicable closing costs.

MINUTE ORDER 021-2026 (ITEM 6.6)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE
AND EXECUTE A CLINICAL AFFILIATION AGREEMENT AND
OTHER ANCILLARY AGREEMENTS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH
BEXAR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT, D/B/A UNIVERSITY HEALTH,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute a clinical affiliation agreement and other ancillary agreements and related documents to provide professional medical services and administrative support to Bexar County Hospital District, d/b/a University Health, and for Bexar County Hospital District, d/b/a University Health to provide professional education and training for Naresh K. Vashisht College of Medicine medical students and residents, and further authorizes the President to take all actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of these agreements, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

MINUTE ORDER 022-2026 (ITEM 6.7)

**AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE
A SUBLEASE OF SPACE IN WINFIELD PLACE LOCATED AT
210 E. 8TH STREET, FORT WORTH, TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following a review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver a sublease of approximately 16,145 square feet of space in Winfield Place, located at 210 E. 8th Street, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents deemed necessary, to consummate the transaction.

MINUTE ORDER 023-2026 (ITEM 6.8)

**AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE
A LEASE OF SPACE IN THE BLACKBOARD BUILDING, LOCATED AT
4501 ROY J SMITH DRIVE, KILLEEN, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following a review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute, and deliver a lease of approximately 23,126 square feet of space in the Blackboard building located at 4501 Roy J. Smith Drive, Killeen, Bell County, Texas, and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents deemed necessary, to consummate the transaction.

MINUTE ORDER 024-2026 (ITEM 6.9)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DISPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY
195.872 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED IN MORRIS COUNTY, TEXAS,
TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, is authorized to sell the land at W. Hwy 11 Daingerfield, Morris County, Texas, upon such terms and conditions as the chancellor, or designee, deems appropriate, and is further authorized, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, to execute and deliver such documents as the chancellor, or designee, deems appropriate to effectuate the sale.

MINUTE ORDER 025-2026 (ITEM 6.10)

**AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE
A LEASE OF SPACE IN ONE CASTLE HILLS LOCATED AT
1100 NW LOOP 410, CASTLE HILLS, BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS,
TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE**

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following a review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver a lease of approximately 10,266 square feet of space in One Castle Hills, located at 1100 NW Loop 410, Castle Hills, Bexar County, Texas, and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents deemed necessary, to consummate the transaction.

MINUTE ORDER 026-2026 (ITEM 6.11)

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. ERIN WEBSTER GARRETT AS
ASSOCIATE VICE PROVOST FOR TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING
AND DEAN OF THE HONORS COLLEGE,
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Dr. Erin Webster Garrett is hereby named the Associate Vice Provost for Transformative Learning and Dean of the Honors College of East Texas A&M University, effective immediately, at an initial salary of \$160,000.

MINUTE ORDER 027-2026 (ITEM 6.12)

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. GODLOVE FONJWENG AS ASSISTANT VICE PROVOST
FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

Dr. Godlove Fonjweng is hereby named the Assistant Vice Provost for Global Engagement and Partnerships of Prairie View A&M University, effective immediately, at an initial salary of \$157,230.

MINUTE ORDER 028-2026 (ITEM 6.13)

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. NATHAN MITCHELL AS
ASSISTANT VICE PROVOST OF INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

Dr. Nathan Mitchell is hereby named the Assistant Vice Provost of Institutional Effectiveness of Prairie View A&M University, effective immediately, at an initial salary of \$136,000.

MINUTE ORDER 029-2026 (ITEM 6.14)

**APPOINTMENT OF DR. KIRAN BELLAM AS
ASSISTANT VICE PROVOST FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

Dr. Kiran Bellam is hereby named the Assistant Vice Provost for Academic Affairs of Prairie View A&M University, effective immediately, at an initial salary of \$166,444.

MINUTE ORDER 030-2026 (ITEM 6.15)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO AMEND AND EXTEND
THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR THE HEAD FOOTBALL COACH,
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Tarleton State University to execute an amended and extended employment contract, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, with the following person: Head Football Coach – Philip Todd Whitten

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**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Chairman Albritton presented Items 7.1 through 7.41 and 7.44 through 7.60.

*Note: Items 7.42 and 7.43 were withdrawn.*

On motion of Regent Bellinger, seconded by Regent Sullivan Georgiades, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (031-088):

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MINUTE ORDER 031-2026 (ITEM 7.1)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS**

The minutes from the following meetings are approved:

November 12-13, 2025, Regular Meeting
November 14, 2025, Workshop Meeting
November 21, 2025, Special Meeting (Telephonic)
December 18, 2025, Special Meeting (Telephonic), and
January 14, 2026, Special Meeting (Videoconference)

MINUTE ORDER 032-2026 (ITEM 7.2)

**APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS
STANDING COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL AND HEALTH AFFAIRS,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS**

Effective immediately and for a two-year term, the Board of Regents approves the Chairman's appointments to the Board's Standing Committee on Medical and Health Affairs as follows: Vice Chairman Jay Graham (Committee Chairman), Regent David Baggett, Regent John Bellinger and Regent Mike Hernandez.

MINUTE ORDER 033-2026 (ITEM 7.3)

**FORMATION OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS ON
STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS**

The formation of a Board of Regents' Special Committee on Strategic Planning is hereby approved. Regents Bob Albritton, Kelley Sullivan Georgiades, and Sam Torn are appointed to this Special Committee, and Regent Albritton is designated as its chairman. This Special Committee shall be advisory to the Board, shall provide oversight of initiatives relating to the development of the Strategic Plan for The Texas A&M University System, and shall report to the Board on significant matters relating to such initiatives as appropriate.

MINUTE ORDER 034-2026 (ITEM 7.4)

**CONFIRMATION OF NEW AND AMENDED FIELD TRIP AND
STUDY ABROAD FEES FOR THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The request for new and amended field trip and study abroad fees for The Texas A&M University System as shown on the attached exhibit is hereby confirmed.

MINUTE ORDER 035-2026 (ITEM 7.5)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ADMINISTER GOVERNMENT CLASSIFIED CONTRACTS,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The individuals occupying the following positions at The Texas A&M University System have been or will be processed for a personnel security clearance for access to classified information, to the level of the facility clearance granted to the A&M System, as provided for in 32 CFR Part 117 NISPOM Rule. In addition, all replacements for such positions will be processed for security clearance.

Glenn Hegar, Chancellor
The Texas A&M University System

Joe Elabd, Vice Chancellor for Research
The Texas A&M University System

Kevin Gamache, Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Research Security Officer
The Texas A&M University System

Ryan Mills, Facility Security Officer
The Texas A&M University System

Norma Schoellman, Insider Threat Program Senior Official
The Texas A&M University System

The Board of Regents delegates to the above-named group all authority pertaining to the protection of classified contracts awarded to the A&M System by the Department of Defense or user agencies of its Industrial Security Program.

The members of the Board of Regents named below shall not have or require access to classified information disclosed to the A&M System. These board members can be effectively excluded from access to all classified information disclosed to the A&M System and do not occupy positions that would enable them to adversely affect the policies or practices of the member institutions, agencies, or health science center of the A&M System in the performance of classified contracts; therefore, these named members of the Board of Regents need not be processed for personnel clearance.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Robert L. Albritton, Chairman
Jay Graham, Vice Chairman
David C. Baggett
John W. Bellinger
James R. “Randy” Brooks
Michael A. “Mike” Hernandez III
William “Bill” Mahomes Jr.
Kelley Sullivan Georgiades
Sam Torn
Jaquavous S. Doucette (Student Regent)

MINUTE ORDER 036-2026 (ITEM 7.6)

GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS, FEBRUARY 2026, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

In recognition of long and distinguished service to The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the recommendation of the Chancellor and confers the title of “Emeritus” upon the individuals as shown in the attached exhibit, Emeritus Title List No. 26-02, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

MINUTE ORDER 037-2026 (ITEM 7.7)

**CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT AND
COMMISSIONING OF PEACE OFFICERS,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

In accordance with System Policy 34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System confirms the appointment and commissioning of campus peace officers by the presidents of their respective system member universities, in accordance with the requirements of the law, and as shown in the exhibit, attached to the official minutes, subject to their taking the oath required of peace officers.

MINUTE ORDER 038-2026 (ITEM 7.8)

**APPROVAL FOR DR. GIRIDHAR ATHREY, SYSTEM EMPLOYEE, TO SERVE AS
AN EMPLOYEE, OFFICER, AND MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF
PERSPICAX, LLC, A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT PROPOSES TO LICENSE
TECHNOLOGY FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves for Dr. Giridhar Athrey, an employee of Texas A&M University and Texas A&M AgriLife Research, to serve in his individual capacity as an employee, officer, and member of the board of managers of Perspicax, LLC, a business entity that proposes to license technology from The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing, or exploitation of intellectual property conceived, created, discovered, invented, or developed by Dr. Athrey.

MINUTE ORDER 039-2026 (ITEM 7.9)

**APPROVAL FOR DR. ARUN SRINIVASA AND DR. KRISHNA NARAYANAN,
SYSTEM EMPLOYEES, TO SERVE AS EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND MEMBERS
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ENCANDO.AI, INC., A BUSINESS ENTITY
THAT PROPOSES TO LICENSE TECHNOLOGY FROM
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves for Dr. Arun Srinivasa and Dr. Krishna Narayanan, employees of Texas A&M University and Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station, to serve in their individual capacity as employees, officers, and members of the board of directors of Encando.AI, Inc., a business entity that proposes to license technology from The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing, or exploitation of intellectual property conceived, created, discovered, invented, or developed by Drs. Srinivasa and Narayanan.

MINUTE ORDER 040-2026 (ITEM 7.10)

**APPROVAL FOR AARON THIBAULT, SYSTEM EMPLOYEE, TO SERVE
AS AN EMPLOYEE, OFFICER, AND MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF GAMEBRIDGE, INC., A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT PROPOSES TO LICENSE
TECHNOLOGY FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves for Mr. Aaron Thibault, employee of Texas A&M University, to serve in his individual capacity as an employee, officer, and member of the board of directors of Gamebridge, Inc., a business entity that proposes to license technology from The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing, or exploitation of intellectual property conceived, created, discovered, invented, or developed by Mr. Thibault.

MINUTE ORDER 041-2026 (ITEM 7.11)

**APPROVAL FOR DR. SWAMINATHAN GOPALSWAMY,
SYSTEM EMPLOYEE, TO SERVE AS AN EMPLOYEE, OFFICER,
AND MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ENGINEERED
MECHATRONICS, INC., A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT PROPOSES TO LICENSE
TECHNOLOGY FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves for Dr. Swaminathan Gopalswamy, an employee of Texas A&M University and Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station, to serve in his individual capacity as an employee, officer, and member of the board of directors of Engineered Mechatronics, Inc., a business entity that proposes to license technology from The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing, or exploitation of intellectual property conceived, created, discovered, invented, or developed by Dr. Gopalswamy.

MINUTE ORDER 042-2026 (ITEM 7.12)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, FEBRUARY 2026,
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at East Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 26-02.

MINUTE ORDER 043-2026 (ITEM 7.13)

APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN APPLIED SPORT ANALYTICS, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at East Texas A&M University leading to a Bachelor of Science in Applied Sport Analytics.

The Board also authorizes submission of East Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 044-2026 (ITEM 7.14)

APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at East Texas A&M University leading to a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of East Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 045-2026 (ITEM 7.15)

APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN EPIDEMIOLOGY AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at East Texas A&M University leading to a Master of Public Health in Epidemiology.

The Board also authorizes submission of East Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 046-2026 (ITEM 7.16)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A
MAJOR IN ENGINEERING AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at East Texas A&M University leading to a Master of Science in Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of East Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 047-2026 (ITEM 7.17)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM
WITH A MAJOR IN SPORTS SCIENCE AND DATA ANALYTICS AND
AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at East Texas A&M University leading to a Master of Science in Sports Science and Data Analytics.

The Board also authorizes submission of East Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 048-2026 (ITEM 7.18)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION DEGREE
PROGRAM, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM
THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at East Texas A&M University leading to a Master of Public Administration.

The Board also authorizes submission of East Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 049-2026 (ITEM 7.19)

**NAMING OF THE “ATMOS ENERGY ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY LAB,”
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Assistive Technology Lab within the Velma K. Waters Library on the campus of East Texas A&M University, the “Atmos Energy Assistive Technology Lab.”

MINUTE ORDER 050-2026 (ITEM 7.20)

**NAMING OF THE EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY’S
“RENÉ GRIFFIN EVENT CENTER,”
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the East Texas A&M University Event Center on the campus of East Texas A&M University, the “René Griffin Event Center.”

MINUTE ORDER 051-2026 (ITEM 7.21)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH
A MAJOR IN SPORT MANAGEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST
APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Prairie View A&M University leading to a Master of Science in Sport Management.

The Board also authorizes submission of Prairie View A&M University’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 052-2026 (ITEM 7.22)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEGREE PROGRAM WITH
A MAJOR IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Prairie View A&M University leading to a Master of Public Health.

The Board also authorizes submission of Prairie View A&M University’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 053-2026 (ITEM 7.23)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF PUBLIC POLICY DEGREE PROGRAM
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Prairie View A&M University leading to a Master of Public Policy.

The Board also authorizes submission of Prairie View A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 054-2026 (ITEM 7.24)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION DEGREE
PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Prairie View A&M University leading to a Master of Science in Education in Higher Education Administration.

The Board also authorizes submission of Prairie View A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 055-2026 (ITEM 7.25)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A
MAJOR IN KINESIOLOGY AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Prairie View A&M University leading to a Master of Science in Kinesiology.

The Board also authorizes submission of Prairie View A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 056-2026 (ITEM 7.26)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREE PROGRAM
IN FOOD-ENERGY-WATER SECURITY AND SUSTAINABILITY
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Prairie View A&M University leading to a Ph.D. in Food-Energy-Water Security and Sustainability.

The Board also authorizes submission of Prairie View A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 057-2026 (ITEM 7.59)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, FEBRUARY 2026,
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Tarleton State University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 26-02.

MINUTE ORDER 058-2026 (ITEM 7.60)

**GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2027,
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 31.03, System Regulation 12.99.01 and Sections 51.101-108 of the Texas Education Code, authorizes faculty development leave to the faculty members as shown in the attached exhibit, Faculty Development Leave List FY 2027, Tarleton State University.

MINUTE ORDER 059-2026 (ITEM 7.27)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A
MAJOR IN NUTRITION AND DIETETICS AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST
APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Master of Science Degree Program with a Major in Nutrition and Dietetics.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton State University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 060-2026 (ITEM 7.28)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, FEBRUARY 2026,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 26-02.

MINUTE ORDER 061-2026 (ITEM 7.29)

**GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2027,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 31.03, System Regulation 12.99.01, and Sections 51.101-108 of the Texas Education Code, authorizes faculty development leave to the faculty members as shown in the attached exhibit, Faculty Development Leave List FY 2027, Texas A&M University.

MINUTE ORDER 062-2026 (ITEM 7.30)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN MARITIME OPERATIONS
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University at Galveston leading to a Bachelor of Science in Maritime Operations.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 063-2026 (ITEM 7.31)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A
MAJOR IN COACHING AND TEACHING IN SECONDARY EDUCATION AND
AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University leading to a Bachelor of Science in Coaching and Teaching in Secondary Education.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 064-2026 (ITEM 7.32)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH
A MAJOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES AND
AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University leading to a Bachelor of Science in Environmental and Sustainability Studies.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 065-2026 (ITEM 7.33)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A
MAJOR IN CYBERSECURITY AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University leading to a Master of Science in Cybersecurity.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 066-2026 (ITEM 7.34)

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CENTER FOR
APPLIED ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Center for Applied Entrepreneurship and Innovation is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University within Mays Business School.

MINUTE ORDER 067-2026 (ITEM 7.35)

**NAMING OF ATHLETICS FACILITIES AND RELATED STRUCTURES,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following Athletics facilities and related structures on the campus of Texas A&M University:

- Baseball Player Development Center Located in Olsen Field at Blue Bell Park – “Eric Foss Family Player Development Center”
- Quarterback Meeting Room, Room #2209, Located on the 2nd Floor of the Bright-Slocum Center for Texas A&M Football – “Pamela & William P. Sims ’89”

MINUTE ORDER 068-2026 (ITEM 7.36)

**NAMING OF THE “HOOD FAMILY CENTER FOR
GREENHOUSE GAS MANAGEMENT IN AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY,”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AND TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Center for Greenhouse Gas Management in Agriculture and Forestry the “Hood Family Center for Greenhouse Gas Management in Agriculture and Forestry.”

MINUTE ORDER 069-2026 (ITEM 7.37)

**NAMING OF THE
“DONALD F. BIRKELBACH ’70 ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY LAB,”
IN THE INSTRUCTIONAL LABORATORY AND
INNOVATIVE LEARNING BUILDING,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names analytical chemistry lab, room E100, in the Instructional Laboratory and Innovative Learning Building on the campus of Texas A&M University, the “Donald F. Birkelbach ’70 Analytical Chemistry Lab.”

MINUTE ORDER 070-2026 (ITEM 7.38)

**NAMING OF THE “BARBARA J. & WILLIAM M. ‘BILL’ HUFFMAN ’53
POULTRY SCIENCE FARM COMPLEX,”
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Poultry Science Teaching, Research, and Extension Center on the campus of Texas A&M University, the “Barbara J. & William M. “Bill” Huffman ’53 Poultry Science Farm Complex.”

MINUTE ORDER 071-2026 (ITEM 7.39)

**NAMING OF VARIOUS SPACES IN THE LAW AND EDUCATION BUILDING,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following spaces in the Law and Education Building on the campus of Texas A&M-Fort Worth:

- Engineering Computer Lab (Space 4) on the First Floor –
“Anne S. and Henry B. ‘Hank’ Paup ’70 Engineering Computer Lab”
- Metallurgical Engineering Lab – “Sid W. Richardson Metallurgical Engineering Lab”
- Classroom on the Fifth Floor – “Sid W. Richardson Classroom”

MINUTE ORDER 072-2026 (ITEM 7.40)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH THE
“ERNESTINE B. LACY STUDENT DEVELOPMENT QUASI-ENDOWMENT,” AND
“DR. MARK FOSSETT MEMORIAL GRADUATE FUND QUASI-ENDOWMENT,”
IN THE SYSTEM ENDOWMENT FUND,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the president of Texas A&M University to establish two quasi-endowments in the System Endowment Fund entitled as follows. Background information, funding implications and strategic plan imperatives are detailed in the attached documentation.

- “Ernestine B. Lacy Student Development Quasi-Endowment”
- “Dr. Mark Fossett Memorial Graduate Fund Quasi-Endowment”

MINUTE ORDER 073-2026 (ITEM 7.41)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO
NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE CERTAIN SPECIFIED CONTRACTS
INVOLVING CONSIDERATION OF \$500,000 OR MORE,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute the contracts, and other related documents necessary to administer or implement the contracts, listed in the exhibit, Contract List No. 26-02, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

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*Note: Items 7.42 and 7.43 were withdrawn.*

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MINUTE ORDER 074-2026 (ITEM 7.44)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A
MAJOR IN DATA SCIENCE AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL
FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi leading to a new Doctor of Philosophy Degree Program with a Major in Data Science.

The Board also authorizes submission of A&M-Corpus Christi's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 075-2026 (ITEM 7.45)

**NAMING OF THE "LARRY URBAN GALLERY," AND THE
"RON AND NADINE (VASQUEZ) HEFNER LOBBY,"
IN THE CHAPARRAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following areas affiliated with Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi:

- Main Floor Art Gallery in the Chaparral Downtown Building – “Larry Urban Gallery”
- Lobby within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chaparral Downtown Building - “Ron and Nadine (Vasquez) Hefner Lobby”

MINUTE ORDER 076-2026 (ITEM 7.46)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM
WITH A MAJOR IN AGRIBUSINESS
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville leading to a Master of Science in Agribusiness.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Kingsville’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 077-2026 (ITEM 7.47)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN AGRIBUSINESS
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville leading to a Master of Science in Nursing.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Kingsville’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 078-2026 (ITEM 7.48)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM
WITH A MAJOR IN CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND
AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville leading to a Bachelor of Science in Construction Management.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Kingsville's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 079-2026 (ITEM 7.49)

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO
MR. BILL C. COLSTON, JR.,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

The President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Mr. Bill C. Colston, Jr.

MINUTE ORDER 080-2026 (ITEM 7.50)

**NAMING OF VARIOUS ROOMS IN THE
DR. STEVEN H. TALLANT MUSIC BUILDING,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following buildings, facilities, areas, and divisions on the campus of Texas A&M University-Kingsville:

- Director's Suite Room 100 in the Dr. Steven H. Tallant Music Building – "Bill and Judy Colston Director's Suite"
- Marimba Practice Room 139 in the Dr. Steven H. Tallant Music Building – "Gunter S. Mende Marimba Practice Room"
- Practice Room 125 in the Dr. Steven H. Tallant Music Building – "Porter S. Garner, Sr. Practice Room"

MINUTE ORDER 081-2026 (ITEM 7.51)

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, FEBRUARY 2026,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University-Texarkana as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 26-02.

MINUTE ORDER 082-2026 (ITEM 7.52)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 083-2026 (ITEM 7.53)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Technology.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 084-2026 (ITEM 7.54)

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE
TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Bachelor of Science with a major in Information Technology.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 085-2026 (ITEM 7.55)

**NAMING OF THE FUTURE ATHLETIC CENTER AS THE "BUNCH CENTER,"
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names a center in the Future Athletic Complex at Texas A&M University-Texarkana the "Bunch Center."

MINUTE ORDER 086-2026 (ITEM 7.56)

**ESTABLISHMENT AND NAMING OF THE
"HIGH PLAINS CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES HEALTH INSTITUTE,"
ON THE CAMPUS OF WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby establishes and names the Health Institute in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at West Texas A&M University the "High Plains Christian Ministries Health Institute."

MINUTE ORDER 087-2026 (ITEM 7.57)

**CHANGE OF NAMING OF THE WILDER SPACES,
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby changes the following spaces at West Texas A&M University with the Wilder name:

- From David and Myrt Wilder Park (the baseball complex) to the "Wilder Family Ballpark"

- From David and Myrt Wilder Faculty Conference Room (Room 247 in the Happy State Bank Academic and Research Building) to the “Wilder Family Faculty Conference Room”
- From Wilder Graduate Room (Room 226 in the Classroom Center) to the “Wilder Family Graduate Room”

MINUTE ORDER 088-2026 (ITEM 7.58)

**REMOVAL OF BUILDING NAME AND NAMED ROOMS AND SPACES
WITHIN THE MIKE AND BEVERLY ROWLETT
INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION BUILDING
AT THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM RELLIS CAMPUS,
TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby authorizes the removal of the building naming and all named rooms and spaces within the Mike and Beverly Rowlett Industrial Distribution Building at The Texas A&M University System RELLIS Campus.

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Chairman Albritton presented Item 6.3.

On motion of Regent Sullivan Georgiades, seconded by Regent Torn, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (089):

**MINUTE ORDER 089-2026 (ITEM 6.3)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMBERS OF  
THE 2025 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL TEAM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System adopted the resolution set forth in the attached exhibit.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Albritton announced that the Board would recess to executive session as permitted by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. He said that, in accordance with the law, no final action, decision, or vote regarding any matter considered in the executive session would be taken.

Chairman Albritton thanked everyone for attending the meeting and announced that the next regular Board meeting would be held May 20-22, 2026, in Kingsville, Texas. He recessed the meeting to executive session at 5:33 p.m.

Note: The Board met in executive session from 5:45 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., the same day.

RECONVENE AND ADJOURN

Chairman Albritton reconvened the Board meeting at 6:01 p.m.

There being no further business, Chairman Albritton adjourned the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers
Executive Director, Board of Regents

(Minutes transcribed by Dee Rodriguez, Office of the Board of Regents.)

The Texas A&M University System
FY 2027 Operating Budget Guidelines

The Texas A&M University System (A&M System) is committed to serving the citizens of the state of Texas and understands that the valuable, but limited, resources provided to us must be utilized in the most efficient and effective manner and, as always, with the benefit of the state taxpayers foremost on our minds. The A&M System will continue to act as good stewards of the state of Texas' limited resources and will ensure the benefit to the state taxpayer is considered in every academic, research, and service activity performed.

The A&M System remains focused on keeping the cost of attending our universities affordable, expanding student access, improving existing programs, developing innovative programs to meet new demands, expanding research and commercialization capabilities, and implementing operational efficiencies through shared services, strategic outsourcing, and other opportunities. The imperative of excellence in all that we do, and the reality of resource limitations in the state of Texas, increases the difficulty of meeting these challenges and dictates that we devote our collective skills to ensuring that the productivity of all A&M System resources is optimized.

In preparation for the upcoming FY 2027 budget process, we will remain focused on keeping administrative costs low through the continued improvement of operational efficiencies. In addition, budget recommendations will be prepared within the estimated funds available and reserve balances should only be used in special one-time situations or where a definite plan provides justification of a limited use of such balances. In self-supporting activities, total funds budgeted will not exceed realistic estimates of income and balances brought forward. It is expected that government and private contracts will finance their proportionate share of increases being recommended. Recommendations for other operating expenses should be based upon careful estimates of actual needs, considering every possibility for savings. Every effort should be made to ensure that we are taking advantage of cost-saving opportunities and reducing expenditures wherever possible. In addition, all budgetary projections should include provisions to accommodate items subject to inflationary increases during the course of this operating year.

Chief Executive Officers are authorized to begin the process of preparing the FY 2027 operating budgets within the limits of available resources. The System Office of Budgets and Accounting will provide detailed instructions to be used in the support of each phase of the review and approval process for the Chancellor and Board of Regents.

FY 2027 Budget Calendar

Calendar Year 2026

February 4 th – 6 th	FY 2026 Budget Update (thru December 2025) FY 2025 Financial Update
March	Preliminary Budget & Capital Plan submitted to the System Offices for review.
April/May (TBD)	Programmatic Budget Reviews
May 20 th – 21 st	FY 2027 Budget & Capital Plan presented to the Board for approval.



THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

FEE REQUESTS INCREASED NON-ACADEMIC FEES

BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING FEBRUARY 2026



THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

**FEE REQUESTS
NEW, INCREASED & DECREASED
GRADUATE PROGRAM FEES**

**BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
FEBRUARY 2026**

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THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
SUMMARY OF NEW, INCREASED AND DECREASED GRADUATE PROGRAM FEES/OTHER
Proposed to be Effective Fall 2026

FEE DESCRIPTION	BASIS	CURRENT	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PROPOSED
Texas A&M University				
Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics Program Fee - IN PERSON				
Fall & Spring	SEM		NEW	\$7,675.00
Summer	SEM		NEW	\$4,000.00
Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics Program Fee - FLEX ONLINE				
Fall, Spring & Summer	SCH		NEW	\$555.56
Master of Science in Financial Management Program Fee - FLEX ONLINE				
Fall & Spring	SCH		NEW	\$555.56
Summer	SCH		NEW	\$555.56
Doctor of Philosophy in Visual Computing and Interactive Media Program Fee				
Fall, Spring & Summer	SCH		NEW	\$136.00
*Fall & Spring capped at 9 SCH's and Summer capped at 6 SCH's.				
Master of Data Science Program Fee				
Fall, Spring & Summer	SEM/SCH	\$4,000.00/SEM	\$0.00	\$400.00/SCH
*Currently charged to students by Semester. Requesting approval to charge by SCH beginning Fall 2026.				
Texas A&M Health Science Center				
College of Medicine Masters and Certificate Program Fee - IN PERSON				
Fall, Spring & Summer	SCH		NEW	\$285.00
*If approved, this standardized Masters Program Fee will replace the program-specific fees currently assessed separately for MS in Medical Sciences.				
College of Medicine Masters and Certificate Distance Education Program Fee - FLEX ONLINE				
Fall, Spring & Summer	SCH		NEW	\$365.00
*If approved, this standardized Distance Education Program Fee will replace the online distance education fees currently assessed separately for Education for Healthcare Professionals.				
College of Medicine MD Program Fee				
Fall, Spring & Summer	SEM	\$619.00	\$690.00	\$1,309.00
*The following Clinical Simulation Fee will be eliminated and rolled into the MD Program Fee if the increase in the MD Program Fee is approved:				
Clinical Simulation Fee	YEAR	\$600.00	(\$600.00)	Eliminate
EnMed Program Fee				
Fall Only (annual fee charged once in the Fall)	Year	\$10,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$12,500.00
East Texas A&M University				
MBA Program Fee				
Annual Fee	Year		NEW	\$5,000.00

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
SUMMARY OF NEW, INCREASED AND DECREASED GRADUATE PROGRAM FEES/OTHER
Proposed to be Effective Fall 2026

<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE/ DECREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Tarleton State University				
Competency-Based Education Fees (CBE):				
Teacher Certification				
Fall & Spring	TERM		NEW	\$1,000.00
Summer	TERM		NEW	\$1,000.00
MEd in Curriculum and Instruction				
Fall & Spring	TERM		NEW	\$1,800.00
Summer	TERM		NEW	\$1,800.00
Comprehensive Medical Education Fee - Graduate	SCH		NEW	\$100.00
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi				
University Services Fee - Graduate				
Graduate Resident	SCH	\$239.99	\$2.40	\$242.39
Graduate Non-Resident	SCH	\$279.47	\$2.79	\$282.26
Texas A&M University-Kingsville				
University Services Fee - Graduate				
Fall, Spring & Summer (based on 9 SCH's)	SCH	\$100.78 - \$147.65		\$134.98 - \$227.54
*This proposed rate increase will increase the overall academic cost for Graduate Students by 10%.				
An increase is necessary to improve graduate level programs that align with the goals of achieving the next level research status for Texas A&M University - Kingsville.				

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Summary of Proposed New & Increased - Graduate Program Fees/Other Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
2.2	Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics Program Fee - IN PERSON				
	Fall & Spring	SEM		NEW	\$7,675.00
	Summer	SEM		NEW	\$4,000.00
2.5	Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics Program Fee - FLEX ONLINE				
	Fall, Spring & Summer	SCH		NEW	\$555.56
2.8	Master of Science in Financial Management Program Fee - FLEX ONLINE				
	Fall & Spring	SCH		NEW	\$555.56
	Summer	SCH		NEW	\$555.56
2.11	Doctor of Philosophy in Visual Computing and Interactive Media Program Fee				
	Fall, Spring & Summer	SCH		NEW	\$136.00
	*Fall & Spring capped at 9 SCH's and Summer capped at 6 SCH's.				
2.14	Master of Data Science Program Fee				
	Fall, Spring & Summer	SEM/SCH	\$4,000.00/SEM	\$0.00	\$400.00/SCH
	*Currently charged to students by Semester. Requesting approval to charge by SCH beginning Fall 2026.				

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Mays Business School
Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics Program Fee – In Person
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic Justification and Proposed Use of the New Fee

The Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics (MS-SBA) program at Mays Business School will prepare students to meet the growing demand for data-driven decision makers in the sports industry. Grounded in business fundamentals and cutting-edge analytical techniques, the program will equip students with the skills to collect, manage, analyze, interpret, and apply data across both performance and business analytics streams. Specifically, areas such as player performance and development, team strategy, personnel management, ticketing, sponsorships, and fan engagement will be the focus of the program. The curriculum will emphasize quantitative analysis, data visualization, predictive modeling, and the use of industry-standard tools and software.

Graduates will be prepared for careers in sport organizations, media companies, athletic departments, and analytics firms, where they will use data to drive strategy and performance. With strong ties to professional and collegiate athletics and access to high-level experiential learning opportunities, students will gain real-world experience that positions them for immediate impact in roles such as data analyst, business intelligence coordinator, or performance specialist.

The program fee is \$7,675 each for Fall and Spring, and \$4,000 for Summer, matching the MS Business program's structure. The 36-credit hour program spans four semesters. Students pay this fee on top of regular university tuition and fees. Revenue will support:

- Administrative costs: Stipends for a program director and potentially a full-time coordinator.
- Faculty Instruction costs
- Recruiting and Marketing expenses: Recruitment efforts targeting working professionals.
- Student materials costs
- Teaching assistant support
- Orientation costs: Introducing students to the program and Aggie culture.
- Department and College operational costs

II. Public Hearing and/or Student Referendum Requirements

No public hearing is required for this fee.

III. Budget Impact if Fee Request is Not Approved

The program's ability to further invest in recruiting from other campuses, improve student retention and academic success efforts, grow career management advising capacity and tools, and contribute to capital improvement needs in Wehner will not be possible without this program fee increase.

IV. Justification for Ending Balance

Excess revenues are not expected for this program; however, a modest ending balance may be maintained to cover expense fluctuations (e.g., recruiting and marketing costs), reinvestment in educational and student experience enhancements, and cyclical expenses that don't always match our annual cash-flow cycles.

V. Additional Information

The demand for professionals skilled in sports analytics is rapidly increasing globally. Statista & PricewaterhouseCoopers suggest the industry will exceed \$620 billion by 2027. In the U.S., the sports industry was valued at over \$500 billion in 2023, driven by media rights, sponsorships, merchandising, ticket sales, and sports betting. In Texas, with twelve professional major league teams, numerous Division I college programs, and a robust high school sports ecosystem, over five hundred sports analytics-related job postings on ZipRecruiter indicate a significant workforce gap. This program addresses this gap by training graduates in business-focused sports analytics, a niche not currently met by existing sport management programs in Texas, positioning Mays Business School as a leader in this field.

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Mays Business School
 Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics Program Fee

Proposed Fee: \$7,675.00 for Fall and Spring
 \$4,000.00 for Summer
 Basis: sem (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 50
 Projected Student Enrollment: 50
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 36

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	
Revenues	
Fees	967,500
Total Revenues	967,500
Expenses	
Administrative Salaries & Wages	125,000
Instructional Costs	200,000
Fringe Benefits	78,163
Departmental Operations/Orientation/Retention	176,447
Career Management	42,890
Recruiting & Marketing costs	87,500
Teaching Assistant support	48,000
College overhead costs	193,500
Equipment	16,000
Total Expenses	967,500
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	0
ENDING BALANCE	0

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Mays Business School
Master of Science Sport Business Analytics Program Fee – Flex Online
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic Justification and Proposed Use of the New Fee

The Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics (MS-SBA) Flex Online program at Mays Business School will prepare students to meet the growing demand for data-driven decision makers in the sports industry. Grounded in business fundamentals and cutting-edge analytical techniques, the program will equip students with the skills to collect, manage, analyze, interpret, and apply data across both performance and business analytics streams. Specifically, areas such as player performance and development, team strategy, personnel management, ticketing, sponsorships, and fan engagement will be the focus of the program. The curriculum will emphasize quantitative analysis, data visualization, predictive modeling, and the use of industry-standard tools and software.

Graduates will be prepared for careers in sport organizations, media companies, athletic departments, and analytics firms, where they will use data to drive strategy and performance. With strong ties to professional and collegiate athletics and access to high-level experiential learning opportunities, students will gain real-world experience that positions them for immediate impact in roles such as data analyst, business intelligence coordinator, or performance specialist.

The proposed program fee is \$555.56 per semester credit hour (SCH), charged in fall, spring, and summer semesters, aligning with other Flex Online master's programs at Mays Business School. The revenue will cover:

- Administrative costs: Stipends for a program director and potentially a full-time coordinator
- Faculty Instruction costs
- Recruiting and Marketing expenses: Recruitment efforts targeting working professionals
- Student materials costs
- Teaching assistant support
- Orientation costs: Introducing students to the program and Aggie culture
- Department and College operational costs
- Instructional design: Maintaining cutting-edge online delivery and curriculum updates

II. Public Hearing and/or Student Referendum Requirements

No public hearing is required for this fee.

III. Budget Impact if Fee Request is Not Approved

If the fee is not approved, the Flex Online MS-SBA program cannot sustain itself financially, preventing its operation and limiting access to this critical education for working professionals.

IV. Justification for Ending Balance

Excess revenues are not expected for this program; however, a modest ending balance may be maintained to cover expense fluctuations (e.g., recruiting and marketing costs), reinvestment in educational and student experience enhancements, and cyclical expenses that don't always match our annual cash-flow cycles.

V. Additional Information

The demand for professionals skilled in sports analytics is rapidly increasing globally. Statista & PricewaterhouseCoopers suggest the industry will exceed \$620 billion by 2027. In the U.S., the sports industry was valued at over \$500 billion in 2023, driven by media rights, sponsorships, merchandising, ticket sales, and sports betting. In Texas, with twelve professional major league teams, numerous Division I college programs, and a robust high school sports ecosystem, over 500 sports analytics-related job postings on ZipRecruiter indicate a significant workforce gap. This program addresses this gap by training graduates in business-focused sports analytics, a niche not currently met by existing sport management programs in Texas, positioning Mays Business School as a leader in this field.

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Mays Business School
Master of Science in Sport Business Analytics Program Fee Flex Online

Proposed Fee: \$555.56 for Fall and Spring
 \$555.56 for Summer
Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 50
Projected Student Enrollment: 50
Projected Semester Credit Hours: 27 *36 Total program SCH

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	
Revenues	
Fees	750,006
Total Revenues	750,006
Expenses	
Administrative Salaries & Wages	125,000
Instructional Costs	120,000
Fringe Benefits	59,451
Departmental Operations/Orientation/Retention	30,164
Career Management	42,890
Recruiting & Marketing costs	62,500
Instructional Design Team	120,000
Teaching Assistant support	24,000
College overhead costs	150,001
Equipment	16,000
Total Expenses	750,006
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	0
ENDING BALANCE	0

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Mays Business School
Master of Science in Financial Management Program Fee - Flex Online
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic Justification and Proposed Use of the New Fee

Mays Business School proposes a new program fee for the MS in Financial Management FLEX Online Program (fully online, designed for working professionals and distance learners). The program fee will fund the delivery of a high-quality online experience equivalent to on-campus offerings while meeting the distinct needs of online learners (e.g., technology-enabled instruction, intensive career enablement, and flexible pacing). Consistent with precedent for other FLEX Online programs at Mays, the Flex Online format expands access to Texas A&M's finance education for mid-career professionals and place-bound students while preserving the rigor and support of our residential programs. The program fee is the mechanism that allows us to deliver the same level of quality online (specialized platforms, instructional design, live engagement, tutoring, and coaching) rather than offering a lower-touch experience.

The proposed program fee is \$555.56 per semester credit hour (SCH), charged in fall, spring, and summer semesters, aligning with other Flex Online master's programs at Mays Business School. The revenue will be applied to the following core categories—mirroring proven models in existing Mays FLEX Online programs—to ensure a high-touch, outcomes-oriented student experience:

- Instructional Quality & Faculty Support: Competitive compensation for teaching faculty (including practitioner adjuncts in specialized finance domains), course leads, graders, and teaching assistants to sustain small sections, timely feedback, and rigorous assessment.
- Recruiting and Marketing expenses: Recruitment efforts targeting working professionals. Targeted digital campaigns to attract high-caliber, diverse cohorts aligned with Mays' mission.
- Community & Orientation: Optional on-campus kickoff/residency to foster Aggie community, culture, and networking; virtual cohort-building events throughout the year.
- Career Enablement: Employer partnerships, executive seminars, interview prep, technical case coaching (valuation, LBO, credit), and curated job pipelines (corporate finance, banking, asset management, fintech).
- Student Success Services: Dedicated program manager/coordinator, proactive advising, tutoring, writing/quant labs, time-zone friendly office hours, and success coaching tailored to working professionals.
- Orientation costs: Introducing students to the program and Aggie culture.
- Finance Technology & Data Platforms: Licenses and integration support for market-relevant tools (e.g., portfolio analytics, Python/R finance stacks, data terminals/APIs, risk engines), virtual lab environments, and sandboxed datasets for hands-on practice.
- Department and College operational costs
- Instructional Design & Content Refresh: Professional learning-experience design (asynchronous + synchronous), multimedia production, accessibility compliance, and iterative course refreshes to keep cases, data, and tools current with markets. LMS

enhancements, live session production, captioning, proctoring, analytics for early alerts, and continuous improvement reporting to academic leadership.

II. Public Hearing and/or Student Referendum Requirements

No public hearing is required for this fee.

III. Budget Impact if Fee Request is Not Approved

If the fee is not approved, the Flex Online MS-MFM FLEX program cannot sustain itself financially, preventing its operation and limiting access to this critical education for working professionals.

IV. Justification for Ending Balance

Excess revenue is not expected for this program; however, a modest ending balance may be maintained to cover expense fluctuations (e.g., recruiting and marketing costs), reinvestment in educational and student experience enhancements, and cyclical expenses that don't always match our annual cash-flow cycles.

V. Additional Information

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Mays Business School

Master of Science in Financial Management Program Fee - FLEX ONLINE

Proposed Fee: \$555.56 for Fall and Spring
 \$555.56 for Summer
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 50
 Projected Student Enrollment: 50
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 27 *36 Total program SCH

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	
Revenues	
Fees	750,006
Total Revenues	750,006
Expenses	
Administrative Salaries & Wages	125,000
Instructional Costs	120,000
Fringe Benefits	59,451
Departmental Operations/Orientation/Retention	25,000
Career Management	42,000
Recruiting & Marketing costs	62,000
Instructional Design Team	120,000
Teaching Assistant support	24,000
Student material costs	7,554
College overhead costs	150,001
Equipment	15,000
Total Expenses	750,006
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	0
ENDING BALANCE	0

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
College of Performance, Visualization and Fine Arts
Doctor of Philosophy in Visual Computing and Interactive Media Program Fee

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the new fee

A. Executive Overview

The College of Performance, Visualization and Fine Arts proposes a program fee for the new Doctor of Philosophy in Visual Computing and Interactive Media. This new PhD degree is due to the MFA and MS in Visualization gaining traction over the last few years and more demand from the students for a PhD program in this area within the College of Performance, Visualization and Fine Arts. With the increase of a new program, the cost to ensure the students have the most up-to-date technology being used in the industry will also increase. The amount of the proposed fee to be assessed on an annual basis is as follows:

	Fall	Spring	Summer
MFA in Visualization Program Fee	\$136/sch*	\$136/sch*	\$136/sch*

* Note: The fee will be capped at 9 semester credit hours in the fall and spring and 6 semester credit hours in the summer.

We propose that this fee increase be assessed to all students who are matriculating into the PhD in Visual Computing and Interactive Media beginning in Fall 2026 and thereafter.

Rationale and Use of the MFA Fees

In order for the new PhD in Visual Computing and Interactive Media to provide the best possible educational experience for our students, the Department would like to name a dedicated faculty member to serve as the Academic Program Director. This person will be expected to teach in that program, serve as mentor for the PhD students, keep curriculum update and relevant to the field, oversee activities within the program, and promote partnerships between the PhD program and the community regarding teaching internships, community engagement, recruitment, and performances.

The \$70.00/SCH college program fee and the \$136.00/SCH program fee are expected to enhance the quality of the PhD program while ensuring that the program remains accessible to students and maintains a high-quality education for the students. The PhD fees will be used to cover expenses associated with the PhD program. These expenses include scholarship opportunities, graduate level travel and research grants, seminars and workshops, increased technology, supply cost support, and equipment support.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

We propose that the fee be effective in Fall 2026. An open forum to receive student feedback on the proposal will be held in Spring 2026. Notification of the open forum will be emailed to all

current undergraduate students in the B.S. Visualization, M.F.A. Visualization and M.S. Visualization and all faculty and staff within the college.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the fee is not approved, the College of Performance, Visualization and Fine Arts will not be able to support significant growth in the program, which will place our students at a disadvantage to other programs who offer this support throughout the state and around the country. This fee will allow us to provide our students with the best educational experience and the opportunity to recruit and attract high quality graduate students.

IV. Justification for ending balance

All generated revenue within the fiscal year will be utilized for the enhancement of the education environment for those graduate students paying the program fee. No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional Information

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Doctor of Philosophy in Visual Computing and Interactive Media Program Fee

Proposed Fee: \$136.00 for Fall and Spring (capped at 9 SCH's for Fall and Spring)
 \$136.00 for Summer (capped at 6 SCH's for Summer)
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 15
 Projected Student Enrollment: 15
 Projected Semester Credit Hours:

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	
Revenues	
Fees	48,960
Total Revenues	48,960
Expenses	
Salaries & Wages	18,360
Maintenance/Repair	10,600
Equipment	20,000
Total Expenses	48,960
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	0
ENDING BALANCE	0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Master of Data Science Program Fee

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

Currently, the Master of Data Science Program (MSDS) charges a flat fee of \$4,000 per long semester. When the program was initially designed, we anticipated most students would complete the program in three long semesters. However, a significant number of students are now taking four semesters to graduate. This happens due to factors like the current job market, and we anticipate students may wish to complete their MSDS flexibly over an extended period while working. The current per-semester fee structure places an unintended and substantial financial burden on these students. Switching to a per SCH model will allow flexibility for students who are taking longer than expected to complete the program.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

No public hearing or student referendum is required for this fee.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

This request provides a revenue neutral change that will affect the way in which the fee is charged to students but will not affect revenue or expense budgets.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 MS - Data Science Program Fee

Current Fee:	<u>\$4,000.00/sem</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$4,000.00/sem</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$400.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$400.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

**Previously charged to students by Semester.
 Requesting approval to charge by SCH
 beginning Fall 2025. The change will be
 revenue neutral.**

Number of Students Affected:	<u> </u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u> </u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u> 1,710 </u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget WITHOUT Increase	Proposed Increase	FY 2027 Budget WITH Increase
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	684,000	684,000	0	684,000
Total Revenues	684,000	684,000	0	684,000
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	460,000	460,000	0	460,000
Fringe Benefits	70,000	70,000	0	70,000
Departmental Operations	154,000	154,000	0	154,000
Total Expenses	684,000	684,000	0	684,000
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

TEXAS A&M HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Summary of Proposed New, Increased and Decreased - Graduate Program Fees/Other
Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
3.2	College of Medicine Masters and Graduate Certificate Program Fee - IN PERSON Fall, Spring & Summer	SCH		NEW	\$285.00
	*If approved, this standardized Masters Program Fee will replace the program-specific fees currently assessed separately for MS in Medical Sciences.				
3.6	College of Medicine Masters and Graduate Certificate Distance Education Program Fee - FLEX ONLINE				
	Fall, Spring & Summer	SCH		NEW	\$365.00
	*If approved, this standardized Distance Education Program Fee will replace the online distance education fees currently assessed separately for Education for Healthcare Professionals.				
3.11	College of Medicine MD Program Fee				
	Fall, Spring & Summer	SEM	\$619.00	\$690.00	\$1,309.00
	*The following Clinical Simulation Fee will be eliminated and rolled into the MD Program Fee if the increase in the MD Program Fee is approved:				
	Clinical Simulation Fee	YEAR	\$600.00	(\$600.00)	Eliminate
3.16	Enmed Program Fee				
	Fall Only	Year	\$10,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$12,500.00
	*Annual fee charged once in the Fall.				

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
Vashisht College of Medicine
Graduate Certificate Program Fee - In-Person
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the new fee

a) Proposal Overview:

Vashisht College of Medicine (VCOM) proposes the implementation of a new program fee to support its Graduate certificate offerings within the College of Medicine. The proposed fee is \$285 per semester credit hour. This fee would apply to all in-person graduate certificate programs and will extend to any future in-person graduate certificate programs added by VCOM.

Currently, graduate certification in-person students are not required to pay program fees. These students follow much of the same curriculum as those enrolled in the in-person master's programs. It is inequitable that master's students are charged program fees while graduate certification students are not, despite taking the same courses. Many graduate certificate students later transition into a master's degree, effectively fast-tracking their graduate education without ever paying program fees. To address this inconsistency, we propose establishing a new graduate certificate program fees that will apply uniformly across all graduate certificate in-person programs.

b) Strategic Purpose of the Fee

This new fee safeguards the growth, quality, and long-term competitiveness of our graduate offerings. It will establish a reliable funding stream dedicated to strengthening instructional excellence, broadening student services, and elevating the College's standing among peer institutions.

The resources generated will be used to advance program quality through investments in state-of-the-art instructional technologies, simulation laboratories, and innovative curricular enhancements. The fee will also support the recruitment and retention of highly qualified faculty, expansion of student advising, career development, research opportunities, wellness services, and targeted marketing to attract high-achieving students.

c) Alignment with Peer Institutions and Enrollment Growth

It is also essential to note that adopting a uniform fee across all graduate certificate in-person programs will bring our tuition and fee structure into alignment with peer medical colleges that have already established similar models. This consistency will reinforce institutional competitiveness in attracting exceptional applicants, while also ensuring financial sustainability and reducing dependence on general operating funds.

Funds from the proposed fee will allow us to expand course sections and increase enrollment, which will in turn generate additional state formula funding and tuition revenue for Texas A&M University.

d) Comparative Tuition Analysis

The following table provides a nationwide comparison of per-credit-hour tuition rates, including selected Texas institutions. This data, drawn directly from institutional websites, highlights how significantly lower our current charges are on a per-credit basis and reinforces the importance of implementing higher graduate certification program fees to remain competitive and address this funding gap.

Institution	In-State Per-Credit Tuition
Texas A&M University (TAMU)	191
Johns Hopkins University	1429
University of Pittsburg	1283
University of Michigan	2026
Thomas Jefferson University	1508
UT Southwestern Medical Center (UTSW)	490
Baylor College of Medicine	1100

The comparative analysis of tuition rates across Texas and national peer institutions underscores the financial gap that exists in our current model. At present, Texas A&M University charges \$191 per credit hour, one of the lowest rates among peer institutions. By contrast, Johns Hopkins University charges \$1,429, the University of Michigan charges \$2,026, and University of Pittsburg charges nearly \$1,283 per credit hour. Even among Texas peers, UT Southwestern Medical Center is at \$490 per credit, and Baylor College of Medicine is at \$1,100 per credit.

The proposed graduate certification program fee of \$285 per credit hour would bring our effective cost to approximately \$476 per credit (\$191 base tuition + \$285 fee). This still positions Texas A&M well below national competitors, many of whom charge two to seven times more per credit hour.

This adjustment is not intended to match peer pricing but to narrow the gap enough to provide critical resources for program quality, faculty excellence, student support, and marketing efforts. Without this fee, we risk falling further behind in our ability to attract top students and to provide the comprehensive educational experience expected of a leading College of Medicine.

e) Impact on Student Success and Institutional Vitality

Graduates of VCOM's in-person graduate certification programs are prepared for impactful careers in clinical and biomedical research, pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries, higher education, and public health agencies. These programs also strengthen preparation for advanced professional study in medicine, dentistry, nursing, physician assistant studies, and doctoral-level research.

The proposed fee will ensure that these graduate certification programs continue to deliver exceptional value by funding advanced instructional resources, distinguished faculty, and robust student support services. With these investments, graduates will remain highly competitive in today's evolving healthcare and medical education landscape, while VCOM reinforces its reputation as a leader in preparing professionals for impactful careers.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

No public hearing or student referendum is required.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

The Vashisht College of Medicine is confronting significant financial pressures, placing the long-term sustainability of this program at risk. Approval of the proposed fee increase is essential to maintaining financial viability.

In addition, rising enrollment is creating greater demand for faculty, staff, and student support services. Without the requested fee, these increased costs cannot be met through existing funding sources such as formula funding and tuition, limiting the program's ability to sustain quality and growth. Additionally, without the implementation of the proposed fee, we risk losing our competitive edge by limiting our ability to attract high-caliber students and to provide the comprehensive growth and development opportunities that peer programs already offer.

IV. Justification for ending balance

We do not anticipate an ending balance.

V. Additional information

To preserve the quality of essential services including academic advising, assessment and learning science, higher enrollments, and quality education, we strongly recommend the establishment of a graduate certification fee for all College of Medicine graduate certification in-person programs.

This fee will provide a dedicated funding stream to sustain and enhance these critical functions. Importantly, even with the proposed graduate certification program fee, the College of Medicine will remain highly affordable compared to peer institutions, while ensuring that the improvements supported by this funding directly benefit our students.

Request for New Student Fee
A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE
 Vashisht College of Medicine
 Graduate Certificate Program Fee - In-Person

Proposed Fee:	<u>\$285.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$285.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	1
Projected Student Enrollment:	10
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	120

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	0
Revenues	
Fees	34,200
Total Revenues	34,200
Expenses	
Departmental Operations	34,200
Total Expenses	34,200
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	0
ENDING BALANCE	0

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
Vashisht College of Medicine
Graduate Certificate Distance Education Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the new fee

a) Proposal Overview:

Vashisht College of Medicine (VCOM) proposes the implementation of a new distance education fee of \$365 per semester credit hour for all graduate certification programs within the College of Medicine. This uniform fee would apply to existing online graduate certification programs, namely Education for health care professionals, as well as any future graduate certification programs offered by the College that are taught online.

At present, no distance education fees are assessed separately for the graduate certificate students in Education for Healthcare Professionals. We recommend adopting a standardized distance education fee structure for all graduate certificate programs, applied consistently across online offerings.

Moreover, these students follow much of the same curriculum as those enrolled in the master's programs in medical sciences and education for health care professionals. It is inequitable that master's students are charged distance education fees while graduate certification students are not, despite taking the same courses. Many graduate certificate students later transition into a master's degree, effectively fast-tracking their graduate education without ever paying distance education fees. To address this inconsistency, we propose establishing a new graduate certificate distance education fee that will apply uniformly across all on-line graduate certificate programs.

b) Strategic Purpose of the Fee

This new fee is designed to secure the growth, quality, and long-term competitiveness of VCOM's graduate certification online programs. Revenues will provide a reliable funding stream dedicated to:

- Enhancing instructional excellence through investments in state-of-the-art online learning technologies and simulation laboratories.
- Supporting curricular innovation and new program development.
- Recruiting and retaining highly qualified faculty.
- Expanding student services, including advising, career development, research opportunities, and wellness support.
- Increasing visibility through targeted marketing to attract high-achieving students.

c) Alignment with Peer Institutions and Enrollment Growth

Adopting a uniform distance education program fee aligns VCOM with peer medical colleges nationwide that have implemented similar models. A consistent, transparent

fee structure enhances competitiveness, simplifies program costs for students, and reduces reliance on general operating funds.

The additional resources will enable VCOM to expand course offerings and accommodate increased enrollment demand. This enrollment growth will generate additional **state formula funding** and tuition revenue, further strengthening the College's financial base and long-term sustainability.

d) Comparative Tuition Analysis

The following table provides a nationwide comparison of per-credit-hour tuition rates, including selected Texas institutions. This data, drawn directly from institutional websites, highlights how significantly lower our current charges are on a per-credit basis and reinforces the importance of implementing higher distance education fees to remain competitive and address this funding gap.

Institution	In-State Per-Credit Tuition
Texas A&M University (TAMU)	191
Johns Hopkins University	1429
University of Pittsburg	1283
University of Michigan	2026
Thomas Jefferson University	1508
UT Southwestern Medical Center (UTSW)	490
Baylor College of Medicine	1100

The comparative analysis of online graduate certification's tuition rates across Texas and national peer institutions underscores the financial gap that exists in our current model. At present, Texas A&M University's online graduate certification fee is \$191 per credit hour, which ranks among the lowest in the country. By contrast, leading national peers such as Johns Hopkins University (\$1,429/credit), the University of Michigan (\$2,026/credit), and University of Pittsburg (\$1,283/credit) set significantly higher tuition rates for their online graduate certification programs in medicine and health sciences.

Even within Texas, peer institutions have established higher benchmarks for online tuition. For example, UT Southwestern Medical Center assesses \$490 per credit, while Baylor College of Medicine charges \$1,100 per credit for comparable distance education offerings.

To close this gap and support sustainability of this online graduate certification program, we propose a distance education program fee of \$365 per credit hour. Even at this adjusted rate, Texas A&M VCOM remains well below national peers who often charge two to seven times more.

This adjustment is not intended to match peer pricing but to narrow the gap enough to provide critical resources for online program quality, faculty excellence, student support, and marketing efforts. Without this fee, we risk falling further behind in our ability to attract top students and to provide the comprehensive educational experience expected of a leading College of Medicine.

e) Impact on Student Success and Institutional Vitality

Graduates of VCOM's online graduate certification program in Education for Health Professionals are prepared for impactful careers as educators, academic leaders, and program developers within medicine, nursing, dentistry, physician assistant studies, and other health-related disciplines. This program equips graduates with pedagogical expertise, leadership skills, and curricular innovation tools needed to advance health professions education in universities, clinical training programs, and professional schools.

The proposed distance education fee will ensure that the Education for Health Professionals program continues to deliver exceptional value by:

- Funding cutting-edge instructional design and online learning technologies tailored to teaching and curriculum development.
- Supporting distinguished faculty mentors who bring expertise in educational innovation, assessment, and health professions leadership.
- Expanding student services that strengthen advising, career development, and professional networking opportunities for health professions educators.

With these investments, graduates will remain highly competitive in the evolving field of health professions education, while VCOM reinforces its reputation as a leader in preparing educators and leaders who shape the future of healthcare training and academic medicine.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

No public hearing or student referendum is required for this fee.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

The Vashisht College of Medicine is confronting significant financial pressures, placing the long-term sustainability of this program at risk. Approval of the proposed fee increase is essential to maintaining financial viability.

In addition, rising enrollment is creating greater demand for faculty, staff, and student support services. Without the requested fee, these increased costs cannot be met through

existing funding sources such as formula funding and tuition, limiting the program's ability to sustain quality and growth. Additionally, without the implementation of the proposed fee, we risk losing our competitive edge by limiting our ability to attract high-caliber students and to provide the comprehensive growth and development opportunities that peer programs already offer.

IV. Justification for ending balance

We do not anticipate an ending balance.

V. Additional information

Students enrolled in online graduate certificate programs subject to the distance education fee will not be assessed any additional program-specific fees for graduate certificates.

Request for New Student Fee
&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE
 Vashisht College of Medicine
 Graduate Certificate Distance Education Fee

Proposed Fee:	<u>\$365.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$365.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	5
Projected Student Enrollment:	10
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	120

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	0
Revenues	
Fees	43,800
Total Revenues	43,800
Expenses	
Departmental Operations	43,800
Total Expenses	43,800
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	0
ENDING BALANCE	0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
Vashisht College of Medicine
MD Program Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the new fee

a) Proposal Overview

The Vashisht College of Medicine (VCOM) proposes eliminating our current clinical simulation fees and rolling that fee into an increased MD Program Fee to ensure the long-term quality, sustainability, and competitiveness of its Doctor of Medicine program. The current clinical simulation fee is \$600 per year, and the current MD program fee is \$1,238 per year (\$619/SEM), totaling \$1,838 per year. The VCOM requests increasing the total program fee to \$2,618 per year (\$1,309/SEM), a total increase of \$780 per year. We are currently experiencing a deficit of approximately \$820,000 in Clinical Simulation Fees alone. The proposed adjustment of increasing fees within the MD program while eliminating the stand-alone Clinical Simulation Fee will not cover the entire deficit, it will ensure this program will become more financially sustainable. This adjustment will also provide a dedicated funding stream to enhance instruction, strengthen student services, and align tuition and fees more closely with both state and national peers.

VCOM's program has recently been ranked second best in Texas in the newly released AAMC applications received rankings. This external validation highlights the program's exceptional quality and underscores the importance of establishing a fee structure that reflects its standing and growing demand.

The proposed fee will apply to all MD students, and we request the fee be adjusted annually based on the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI), published by Common fund, an asset management firm located at 15 Old Dansbury Road, Wilton, CT.

b) Strategic Purpose of the Fee

The MD Program Fee will directly support:

- Expansion and modernization of clinical training facilities and instructional technologies
- Innovative curricular enhancements
- Recruitment and retention of highly qualified faculty
- Comprehensive advising, career development, and wellness services
- Student research, leadership, and professional development opportunities

Alignment with Peer Institutions and Enrollment Growth

The fee structure will bring VCOM's MD tuition and fees in line with peer institutions median tuition across Texas. It will also provide the funding necessary to support the LCME-approved class size expansion to 250 students, ensuring enrollment growth is matched by resources to sustain program quality and financial sustainability. Funds from the proposed fees will allow higher enrollment that will in turn generate additional state formula funding and tuition revenue for Texas A&M University.

c) Comparative Tuition Analysis

- State Comparisons

Data Source: Tuition and Student Fees pulled from institution's websites

Medical School Name	AY25-26 In-State Tuition and Fees	AY 25-26 Out-of State Tuition and Fees	A&M COM Under (Over) In-State	A&M COM Under (Over) Out-State
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine	\$21,532	\$34,632	(\$1,466)	(\$1,466)
University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School	\$22,074	\$37,138	(\$924)	\$1,040
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Paul L. Foster School of Medicine	\$23,596	\$38,717	\$598	\$2,619
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine	\$23,745	\$36,845	\$747	\$746
McGovern Medical School at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston	\$29,603	\$37,258	\$6,605	\$1,160
University of Texas Southwestern Medical School	\$25,122	\$38,222	\$2,124	\$2,124
University of Texas at Tyler Medical School	\$22,442	\$38,322	(\$556)	\$2,224
University of Houston Medical School	\$24,268	\$37,368	\$1,270	\$1,270
Baylor College of Medicine	\$23,779	\$36,880	\$781	\$782
University of Texas School of Medicine at San Antonio	\$26,348	\$41,764	\$3,350	\$5,666
University of Texas Medical Branch School of Medicine	\$26,848	\$42,014	\$3,850	\$5,916
Texas A&M College of Medicine	\$22,998	\$36,098		
Texas Median (excluding A&M)	\$23,779	\$37,368		
Total Tuition and Fee Increase Proposed (MD Program)	\$781	\$1,270		
Notes: Tuition and required fees are based on AY 25-26 based on info pulled from institution's websites				

This comparative analysis demonstrates that, even with an increase, Texas A&M's tuition and fees will remain in line with Texas state median. The revised MD program fee will narrow the gap enough to fund critical instructional and student-support resources while maintaining affordability.

- National Comparisons

Institution	Standard Tuition & Fees (approx.)
Cornell University	\$76,036
University of Michigan	\$62,000
University of Washington	\$55,000
Ohio State University	\$31,999
University of California, LA	\$52,763
University of Florida	\$37,130
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	\$37,558

These comparisons above demonstrate that Texas A&M COM's current tuition and fees remain far below the national norm, often less than half the cost of some private institutions or significantly lower compared to other peer public institutions. Therefore, even with the proposed fee increase, Texas A&M would remain one of the most affordable MD programs in the country.

d) Impact on Student Success and Institutional Vitality

The MD Program Fee will ensure that VCOM continues to provide exceptional value by investing in advanced instructional and clinical resources, distinguished faculty recruitment, and comprehensive student services and career support.

Graduates will be well prepared for competitive residency placements and impactful careers in medicine. The fee also reinforces institutional vitality by ensuring that resources keep pace with program growth and national expectations.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

Hearing not required.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

The Vashisht College of Medicine is confronting significant financial pressures, placing the long-term sustainability of this program at risk. Approval of the proposed fee increase is essential to maintaining financial viability. At the same time, the College invests heavily in advanced clinical simulation training and recovers only a minimal portion of these costs through the fees charged to MD students. Elimination of these clinical simulation fees and rolling over in MD program fees is the best option for the College to reduce this deficit.

If the proposal is not approved, we will have the following consequences:

- VCOM's ability to sustain program quality will be at risk.
- Rising enrollment and LCME-approved expansion will outpace available resources.
- VCOM risks losing its competitive advantage, despite being ranked second best in Texas, if resources fail to support its reputation.

Approval of this fee increase is therefore essential to sustaining program quality, achieving enrollment growth, and ensuring long-term viability.

IV. Justification for ending balance

We do not anticipate an ending balance.

V. Additional information

Even with the proposed MD Program Fee, Texas A&M University will remain one of the most affordable medical schools in Texas and well below national averages. The fee ensures that quality improvements directly benefit students and sustain VCOM's reputation as a top-ranked program.

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
Vashisht College of Medicine
MD Program Fee

Current Fee: \$619.00 for Fall and Spring
n/a for Summer
Proposed Fee: \$1,309.00 for Fall and Spring
n/a for Summer
Basis: sem (sch, sem, student, etc.)

***Students are also currently charged a Clinical Simulation fee of \$600/year. The Clinical Simulation fee will be eliminated and rolled into the MD Program Fee if the proposed fee increase is approved.**

Number of Students Affected: 814
Current Semester Credit Hours:
Projected Semester Credit Hours:

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget WITHOUT Increase	Proposed Increase	FY 2027 Budget WITH Increase
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Program Fees	1,007,732	1,007,732	634,920	2,131,052
Simulation Fees	488,400	488,400	0	
Total Revenues	1,496,132	1,496,132	634,920	2,131,052
Expenses				
Departmental Operations	1,496,132	1,496,132	634,920	2,131,052
Total Expenses	1,496,132	1,496,132	634,920	2,131,052
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0	0	0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
EnMed Program Fee

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The School of Engineering Medicine (EnMed) is a partnership between the Texas A&M University Naresh K. Vashisht College of Medicine, the College of Engineering and Houston Methodist Hospital. EnMed is the first-of-its-kind program to fully integrate medical and engineering training into a four-year dual-degree curriculum. Students engage in Innovation Immersion Experiences (IIEs) which are required elements of the curriculum designed to translate medical and engineering knowledge into new devices, processes, and technologies that improve patient care.

Enrollment has now reached steady-state capacity. The program is intentionally capped at 50 students per year, reflecting the high-quality clinical training opportunities provided through EnMed's partnership with Houston Methodist—Texas' top-ranked hospital. This year marks the first time the program has enrolled a full class of fifty students, bringing total enrollment to 184. EnMed expects to sustain this level in subsequent years.

Proposed Fee Increase

The EnMed program fee of \$10,000 per year has remained unchanged since the program's launch in 2019. The proposed increase to \$12,500 per year will support:

- Expansion of engineering faculty and staff to provide expert guidance and enhance student medical innovation projects.
- Advancement of the engineering curriculum and improved integration with medical education, facilitated by the additional faculty.
- Enhancement and addition of resources dedicated to innovation, design, and prototyping initiatives.

This proposed fee increase will directly advance EnMed's mission by ensuring students receive the engineering mentorship and technical resources necessary to become physicianengineers prepared to *engineer a new era of healthcare*.

Approval of the EnMed program fee will support the increasing standards, goals, and objectives of EnMed and reflect the ongoing development of curriculum standards and support for student innovation. This adjustment is intended to propel the program's status as a combined Doctor of Medicine and master's degree in engineering focused on medical technology design and implementation within four years.

As EnMed has developed, the need to advance the engineering curriculum to better serve students and their project work has been identified. These initiatives are considered important to EnMed's mission and its position at the intersection of engineering and medicine.

EnMed plans to expand opportunities for students to participate in advanced technological and research projects at the interface of engineering and medicine. Additionally, there is a goal to further integrate the medical and engineering components of the curriculum.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

No hearing or student referendum is required for this fee.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the fee increase is not approved, funding will not be available for faculty expansion and further integration of the medical and engineering curriculum will be hindered. Additionally, available resources will be limited, adversely affecting both educational, innovative and research experiences for students.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No balances are anticipated at the end of the fiscal year.

V. Additional information

The proposed EnMed program fee will increase from \$10,000 to \$ 12,500 and will apply to all students. EnMed plans to continue accepting fifty students per year. The increase will provide \$467,500 in revenue in FY 2027 (\$2,500 x 187 students).

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
 EnMed Program Fee

Current Fee:	<u>\$10,000</u>	for all students
	<u>n/a</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$12,500</u>	Resident
	<u>n/a</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>year</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	187
Current Semester Credit Hours:	
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget WITHOUT Increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase	FY 2027 Budget WITH Increase
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	1,870,000	1,870,000	467,500	2,337,500
Total Revenues	1,870,000	1,870,000	467,500	2,337,500
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	1,870,000	1,870,000	270,575	2,140,575
Fringe Benefits	0	0	71,925	71,925
Equipment	0	0	125,000	125,000
Total Expenses	1,870,000	1,870,000	467,500	2,337,500
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0	0	0

EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Summary of Proposed Graduate Program Fees/Other
Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
4.2	MBA Program Fee Annual Fee	YEAR		NEW	\$5,000.00

SCH - Semester Credit Hour
SEM - Semester

Request for New Student Fee
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
MBA Program Fee (Flat Rate)
Effective Fall 2026

I. Justification for the proposed fee

The College of Business at East Texas A&M University proposes an employer-partnered MBA model that allows participating employers to offer a high-quality MBA to their employees at no direct cost to the employee. Under this model, the total tuition for the MBA would be set at \$15,000 (\$2,500 less than the current cost of the MBA), with the employer contributing \$5,000 per employee over three years, while the remaining cost is absorbed through institutional efficiencies and scale. This structure creates a compelling, low-risk investment for employers while expanding access, strengthening workforce development, and supporting the university's strategic enrollment goals.

Employees earn an accredited MBA with no out-of-pocket tuition cost. This removes one of the most significant barriers to graduate education—student debt—making career advancement attainable for a broader and more diverse employee population. Employees also benefit from a clear signal that their employer values their professional growth, strengthening engagement and alignment with organizational goals.

Employer-sponsored education improves employee retention and engagement. By strengthening competencies such as decision-making, financial literacy, innovation, and strategic thinking—skills that directly benefit organizational performance, employers gain a more prepared leadership pipeline without the cost and disruption of external hiring.

The employer-partnered model expands graduate enrollment by tapping into new, employer-based pipelines of qualified students. This approach supports stable, cohort-based enrollment and improves predictability in MBA admissions. The program deepens relationships with regional and national employers, creating opportunities for long-term collaboration in internships, applied projects, advisory boards, and workforce initiatives beyond the MBA.

Offering an affordable, employer-sponsored MBA advances the university's mission to increase access to high-quality graduate education, particularly for working adults, at no cost. This pricing and partnership strategy allows the College of Business to remain competitive in an increasingly price-sensitive graduate education market, while maintaining academic quality and relevance.

The proposed employer-sponsored MBA partnership represents a mutually beneficial model that aligns employer workforce needs, employee career advancement, and the university's strategic enrollment and mission goals. By offering a \$15,000 MBA supported by a tax-advantaged employer contribution, the College of Business can deliver exceptional value, expand access to graduate education, and strengthen its role as a trusted partner in workforce and leadership development.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

No public hearing or student referendum is required for this fee.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the new fee is not approved, the University will not be able to move forward with these partnerships.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balance is expected.

V. Additional information

Request for New Student Fee
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Master of Business Administration Program Fee

Proposed Fee: \$5,000 Annually
 n/a for Summer
 Basis: year (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 45 (new students only)
 Projected Student Enrollment: 45
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 405

	FY 2026 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	0
Revenues	
Statutory Tuition	20,250
Designated Tuition	44,420
Program Fees	160,330
Total Revenues	225,000
Expenses	
Salaries & Wages	100,000
Fringe Benefits	30,000
Departmental Operations	43,460
Maintenance/Repair	45,000
Scholarships	
Mandatory Statutory Tuition Set-Asides	3,040
Mandatory Designated Tuition Set-Asides	3,500
Total Expenses	225,000
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	0
ENDING BALANCE	0

TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
Summary of Proposed Graduate Program Fees/Other
Effective Fall 2026

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5.2	Teacher Certification (CBE - Competency Based Education)				
	Fall & Spring	TERM		NEW	\$1,000.00
	Summer	TERM		NEW	\$1,000.00
	Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction (CBE)				
	Fall & Spring	TERM		NEW	\$1,800.00
	Summer	TERM		NEW	\$1,800.00
5.6	Comprehensive Medical Education Fee - SCH			NEW	\$100.00

SCH - Semester Credit Hour
SEM - Semester

Request for a New Student Fee
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
Competency-Based Graduate Certificate and Degree Program Fees
(Teacher Certification and MEd in Curriculum and Instruction)
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed new use of the new fee

Tarleton State University requests approval to charge Competency-Based Education (CBE) program fees of \$1,000/term for certificates and \$1,800/term for degree programs. These amounts represent a reduced fee structure from traditional degree programs and create a more affordable degree completion option for students.

Competency-based education gives students the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and abilities, rather than being bound to a rigid schedule or fixed deadlines. When students bring prior experience and show mastery of the required competencies, they can move through courses at their own pace, completing them more quickly, reducing their time-to-degree and total cost.

Tarleton State will pilot graduate CBE to deliver an alternative teacher certification program, an area of urgent statewide need. Today, more than one-third of new teachers in Texas are uncertified, with the greatest shortages in bilingual education, special education, and secondary STEM. A competency-based certification program provides a direct response by helping candidates achieve certification and enter classrooms sooner, while lowering their overall preparation costs. This approach also aligns with recent legislation requiring districts to reduce reliance on uncertified teachers. Students within this program will have the option to complete only the certificate program or to earn both a graduate certificate and an MEd in Curriculum and Instruction.

The pilot will provide the data and feedback needed to refine program design and student support. Building on these insights, we will expand CBE into additional certificate and graduate programs—potentially including the M.Ed. in Educational Administration with Principal Certification—scaling deliberately to strengthen both quality and effectiveness. If successful, the CBE model will be considered for academic disciplines in other colleges at Tarleton State.

Student Cost Comparison

Certificate Only

Traditional Program – 18 SCHs (Non-CBE)	\$7,419
CBE cost – \$1,000 per term (5 8-week terms)	<u>5,000</u>
Savings to Student	<u>\$2,419</u>

Certificate and MEd in Curriculum and Instruction

Traditional Program – 30 SCHs (Non-CBE)	\$12,365
CBE Cost – \$1,000 per term for 5 8-week terms, \$1,800 per term for 2 8-week terms)	<u>8,600</u>
Savings to Student	<u>\$3,765</u>

Courses are arranged around the current academic calendar with a flat tuition rate charge per term. Students can accelerate or decelerate progress as they are able, but the program is designed to reduce costs regardless of the time it takes the students to complete. Students in the program would not be charged any other university or program fees.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

No public hearing or student referendum is required for this fee.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

The competency-based programs will not be offered if the reduced tuition rate is not approved.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

Request for New Student Fee
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
 Competency-Based Graduate Certificate and Degree Program Fees
 (MEd in Curriculum and Instruction)

Proposed Fee: \$1,800.00 per TERM
 (2 8-week Terms)
 Basis: sem (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 48
 Projected Student Enrollment: 48
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 576

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	0
Revenues	
Fees	302,400
Total Revenues	302,400
Expenses	
Salaries & Wages	111,750
Fringe Benefits	20,460
Departmental Operations	20,000
Student Support	12,500
Total Expenses	164,710
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	137,690
ENDING BALANCE	137,690

Request for New Student Fee
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
Comprehensive Medical Education Fee - Graduate
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the new fee

Beginning in summer 2025, the University plans to launch, or has launched in some cases, the following graduate health profession programs:

Doctor of Occupational Therapy
Master of Medical Science – Physician Assistant Medicine
Doctor of Physical Therapy
Doctor of Nursing Practice – Nurse Anesthesia
Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine

This fee is essential to offset the high costs associated with operating these programs while maintaining affordability and ensuring competitiveness with similar programs at other Texas universities.

Health Profession programs, by their very nature, are resource intensive. They require specialized facilities, equipment, supplies, and highly qualified faculty to provide students with the necessary hands-on training and education. These costs are significantly higher than those associated with many other academic programs. Several key factors contribute to these elevated operational expenses:

- **Specialized Equipment and Supplies:** Health Profession programs often require advanced, specialized equipment for laboratories, simulations, and clinical training. This equipment is expensive to purchase, maintain, and replace. Furthermore, the consumable supplies necessary for these programs, such as lab materials, medical supplies, and personal protective equipment (PPE), represent a substantial ongoing cost.
- **Clinical Training and Affiliations:** A crucial component of Health Profession education is clinical experience. Securing and maintaining affiliations with hospitals, clinics, and other healthcare facilities requires significant effort and often involves costs related to student supervision, liability insurance, and other administrative expenses.
- **Highly Qualified Faculty:** Health Profession programs require faculty with advanced degrees, specialized certifications, and practical experience in their respective fields. Attracting and retaining these highly qualified professionals necessitates competitive salaries and benefits, contributing to the overall cost of program operation.
- **Accreditation and Compliance:** Health Profession programs are subject to accreditation by specialized agencies. Maintaining accreditation involves ongoing costs associated with reporting, site visits, and compliance with evolving standards.
- **Technology and Simulation:** Increasingly, Health Profession education incorporates advanced technology and simulation tools to enhance student learning. These technologies require significant investment and ongoing maintenance.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

No hearing or student referendum is required for this fee.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

The revenue generated from the comprehensive medical fee will be specifically allocated to support the direct costs associated with operating Health Profession programs. This includes:

- Purchase and maintenance of specialized equipment and supplies.
- Support for clinical training and affiliations.
- Faculty salaries and benefits.
- Accreditation and compliance activities.
- Technology and simulation resources.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

While recognizing the high cost of operating these programs, Tarleton State University is committed to maintaining affordability for its students. A comprehensive medical fee allows the university to address the financial realities of running high-quality Health Profession programs without significantly increasing tuition rates. This approach ensures that a career in healthcare remains accessible to a broad range of students.

Furthermore, this fee structure will allow the University to remain competitive with other Texas universities offering similar programs. These institutions often have comparable fee structures in place to support the specialized needs of their Health Profession programs. Remaining competitive is crucial for attracting top students and ensuring the continued success of our programs.

Request for New Student Fee
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
 Comprehensive Medical Education Fee - Graduate

Proposed Fee: \$100.00 for Fall and Spring
 \$100.00 for Summer
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 175
 Projected Student Enrollment: 175
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 6,300

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	0
Revenues	
Fees	630,000
Total Revenues	630,000
Expenses	
Salaries & Wages	375,000
Fringe Benefits	112,500
Departmental Operations	140,000
Total Expenses	627,500
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	2,500
ENDING BALANCE	2,500

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI
Summary of Proposed Increased Graduate Program Fees
Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
6.2	Graduate University Services Fee - Graduate				
	Graduate Resident	SCH	\$239.99	\$2.40	\$242.39
	Graduate Non-Resident	SCH	\$279.47	\$2.79	\$282.26

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – CORPUS CHRISTI
University Services Fee – Graduate
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The proposed increase will be distributed between Designated Tuition and the University Services Fee. These funds will be strategically allocated to advance the university's core mission of instruction, research, and the provision of essential support services.

This adjustment is necessary to address escalating operational costs driven by inflationary pressures and rising health insurance premiums. The additional revenue will support critical areas including:

- Operational expenses, including merit-based salary increases.
- Increases in employee benefits.

By investing in these priorities, the University aims to maintain the quality of its academic programs, support faculty and staff, and ensure continued access and affordability for students.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing will be held by the Board of Regents at the February 2026 Board of Regents Meeting. Students will be informed of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the proposed fee increase is not approved, the University may face significant constraints in its ability to sustain growth and advance strategic initiatives. Efforts to enhance student retention and expand academic and support services may be delayed or scaled back. The lack of increased revenue will limit the university's capacity to recruit and retain qualified faculty and staff, invest in new programs, and respond to rising operational costs. This may adversely affect the quality of instruction, student experience, and the institution's overall competitiveness.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balances are projected, however, given our coastal location, we strive to maintain a three-month fund balance of operational expenses, in the event of an unforeseen natural disaster.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI
University Services Fee - Graduate Resident

Current Fee:	<u>\$239.99</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$239.99</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$242.39</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$242.39</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>SCH</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	<u>2,850</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>57,182</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>57,182</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	5,306,716	5,306,716	53,067	5,359,783
Exemptions	(292,728)	(292,728)	(2,927)	(295,655)
Total Revenues	5,013,988	5,013,988	50,140	5,064,128
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	1,784,359	1,784,359	0	1,784,359
Fringe Benefits	526,721	526,721	22,650	549,371
Departmental Operations	1,831,891	1,831,891	27,490	1,859,381
Maintenance/Equipment	380,245	380,245	0	380,245
Scholarships	175,540	175,540	0	175,540
Debt Service	86,243	86,243	0	86,243
Utilities	228,989	228,989	0	228,989
Total Expenses	5,013,988	5,013,988	50,140	5,064,128
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI
 University Services Fee - Graduate Non-Resident

Current Fee:	<u>\$279.47</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$279.47</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$282.26</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$282.26</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	<u>2,850</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>57,182</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>57,182</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	2,684,858	2,684,858	26,849	2,711,707
Exemptions	(147,290)	(147,290)	(1,473)	(148,763)
Total Revenues	<u>2,537,568</u>	<u>2,537,568</u>	<u>25,376</u>	<u>2,562,944</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	902,928	902,928	0	902,928
Fringe Benefits	266,533	266,533	11,466	277,999
Departmental Operations	1,095,352	1,095,352	13,910	1,109,262
Maintenance/Equipment	24,413	24,413	0	24,413
Scholarships	88,827	88,827	0	88,827
Debt Service	43,641	43,641	0	43,641
Utilities	115,874	115,874	0	115,874
Total Expenses	<u>2,537,568</u>	<u>2,537,568</u>	<u>25,376</u>	<u>2,562,944</u>
Increase/Decrease in Balance Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE

Summary of Proposed Graduate Program Fees

Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
7.2	University Services Fee - Graduate Fall, Spring & Summer (based on 9 SCH's)	SCH	\$100.78 - \$147.65		\$134.98 - \$227.54
	*Increase to the overall academic charge for Graduate Students by 10% of tuition and fee rates for each student type. An increase is necessary to improve graduate level programs that align with the goal of achieving the next level research status for Texas A&M University - Kingsville.				

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE
University Services Fee - Graduate
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The 10% increase for graduate and doctoral rates will be applied to the University Services Fee, similar to previous increases. Revenue from the increased fee will be used to cover increased costs due to inflation across university operations and costs necessary to improve graduate level programs that align with the goals of achieving the next level research status.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

While not statutorily required, a public hearing to discuss the proposed increase will be held at the February 2026, Board of Regents meeting.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

Texas A&M University – Kingsville is committed to meeting the educational needs of Texas; however, if the fee increase is not approved, and as university expenses increase, the University will need to consider additional reductions in programs, personnel, and operations.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE
University Services Fee - Graduate

Current Fee:	<u>\$100.78 - \$147.65</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$100.78 - \$147.65</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$134.98 - \$227.54</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$134.98 - \$227.54</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	<u>1,340</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>25,000</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>25,000</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		189,874		189,874
Revenues				
Fees	18,985,913	18,985,913	1,069,743	20,055,656
Sales & Service	185,799	185,799	0	185,799
Total Revenues	19,171,712	19,171,712	1,069,743	20,241,455
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	9,188,279	9,188,279	229,707	9,417,986
Fringe Benefits	3,782,693	3,782,693	378,269	4,160,962
Departmental Operations	4,641,341	4,641,341	0	4,641,341
Utilities	1,214,865	1,214,865	182,230	1,397,095
Scholarships	96,700	96,700	0	96,700
Other Institutional Support	57,960	57,960	0	57,960
Total Expenses	18,981,838	18,981,838	790,206	19,772,044
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	189,874	189,874	279,537	469,411
ENDING BALANCE	189,874	379,748		659,285

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THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
SUMMARY OF REQUESTED INCREASED NON-ACADEMIC FEES
(Approved by Student Referendum)
Proposed to be Effective Fall 2026

FEE DESCRIPTION	BASIS	CURRENT	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PROPOSED
East Texas A&M University				
Student Recreation Center Fee				
Fall & Spring	SEM	\$150.00	\$20.00	\$170.00
Summer	SEM	\$75.00	\$10.00	\$85.00
*A student referendum was held on December 8, 2025. The increase was approved with a 85% approval rate.				
Athletics Fee	SCH	\$32.00	\$18.00	\$50.00
Fall, Spring & Summer Max (capped at 13 SCH's)	SEM	\$416.00	\$234.00	\$650.00
*A student referendum was held on August 29, 2025. The increase was approved with a 94% approval rate.				
Texas A&M International University				
Recreational Sports Fee				
Fall & Spring	SEM	\$82.00	\$17.00	\$99.00
Summer	SEM	\$41.00	\$8.50	\$49.50
The Student Fee Advisory Committee supports the fee increase. Student hearings were held on October 14th, 15th, 23rd and 27th to discuss the increase. The fee increase was approved by students in a referendum held on October 28 - 30, 2025. Students voted 110 (67.15%) to 54 (32.9%) in favor of the increase.				
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi				
Health Services Fee				
Fall & Spring	SEM	\$60.00	\$15.00	\$75.00
Summer	SEM	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
*A public hearing was held on October 30, 2025, to discuss the proposed increase and a student referendum was held on November 3-5, 2025. Students voted 518 (77%) to 157 in favor of the increase.				
Athletic Fee	SCH	\$26.38	\$17.15	\$43.53
Fall, Spring & Summer Max (capped at 13 SCH's)	SEM	\$342.94	\$222.95	\$565.89
*A public hearing was held on October 30, 2025, to discuss the proposed increase and a student referendum was held on November 3-5, 2025. Students voted 423 (63%) to 253 in favor of the increase.				
Texas A&M University-Kingsville				
Athletic Fee	SCH	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$35.00
Fall, Spring & Summer Max (capped at 13 SCH's)	SEM	\$260.00	\$195.00	\$455.00
*A student referendum was held October 7 - 9, 2025. More than 1,500 students voted with 63% voting in favor of the increase.				
Texas A&M University-Texarkana				
Student Health Fee				
Fall & Spring	SEM	\$60.00	\$10.00	\$70.00
Summer	SEM	\$25.00		\$25.00
*A campus-wide student fee hearing was held on September 3, 2025, to discuss proposed fee increases. A student referendum was held September 9-12, 2025, with 82.5% of students who voted voting in favor of the increase.				

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
SUMMARY OF REQUESTED INCREASED NON-ACADEMIC FEES
(Approved by Student Referendum)
Proposed to be Effective Fall 2026

FEE DESCRIPTION	BASIS	CURRENT	INCREASE/ DECREASE	PROPOSED
Texas A&M University-Texarkana - Continued				
Student Center Fee				
Fall & Spring	SEM	\$3.00/SCH		\$78.00/SEM
Summer	SEM	\$1.50/SCH		\$50.00/SEM
*Fee currently being charged per Semester Credit Hour (SCH). Requesting approval to charge per Semester (SEM) beginning Fall 2026. A campus-wide student fee hearing was held on September 3, 2025, to discuss proposed fee increases and a student referendum was held September 9-12, 2025, with 78.7% of students who voted voting in favor of the increase.				
Recreational Sports Fee				
Fall & Spring	SEM	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$150.00
Summer	SEM	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$75.00
*A campus-wide student fee hearing was held on September 3, 2025, to discuss proposed fee increases and a student referendum was held September 9-12, 2025, with 81% of students who voted voting in favor of the increase.				
Athletic Fee	SCH	\$13.18	\$14.82	\$28.00
Fall, Spring & Summer Max (capped at 12 SCH's)	SEM	\$158.16	\$177.84	\$336.00
*A campus-wide student fee hearing was held on September 3, 2025, to discuss proposed fee increases and a student referendum was held September 9-12, 2025, with 84.5% of students who voted voting in favor of				
West Texas A&M University				
Student Services Fee	SCH	\$17.60	\$2.90	\$20.50
Fall & Spring Max	SEM	\$217.80	\$32.20	\$250.00
Summer Max	SEM	\$108.90	\$16.10	\$125.00
*A student referendum was held October 8 - 9, 2024, and students approved the increase by a 52% to 48% margin.				
Health Services Fee				
Fall & Spring	SEM	\$70.00	\$5.00	\$75.00
Summer	SEM	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
*A student referendum was held October 8 - 9, 2024, and students approved the increase by a 60% to 40% margin.				
Student Center Complex Fee				
Fall & Spring	SCH	\$8.00	\$2.00	\$10.00
Summer	SCH	\$4.00	\$1.00	\$5.00
Fall & Spring Max	SEM	\$96.00	\$4.00	\$100.00
Summer Max	SEM	\$48.00	\$2.00	\$50.00
*Fee cap previously set at 12 SCH's, will be decreased to 10 SCH's.				
**Student Government passed a resolution backing the increase and a student referendum was held on October 8 - 9, 2024. Students approved the increase by a 54% to 46% margin.				
Recreational Sports Fee				
Fall & Spring	SEM	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$120.00
Summer	SEM	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$60.00
*Student Government passed a resolution backing the increase and a student referendum was held on September 30 and October 1, 2025. Students approved the increase by a 54% to 46% margin.				

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
SUMMARY OF REQUESTED INCREASED NON-ACADEMIC FEES
(Approved by Student Referendum)
Proposed to be Effective Fall 2026

<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE/ DECREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
West Texas A&M University - Continued				
Athletic Fee	SCH	\$32.00	\$9.00	\$41.00
Fall, Spring & Summer Max (capped at 13 SCH's)	SEM	\$416.00	\$117.00	\$533.00
*Student Government passed a resolution backing the increase and a student referendum was held on April 8 - 9, 2025. Students approved the increase by a 59% to 41% margin.				

EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Summary of Proposed Non-Academic Fees
Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
2.2	Student Recreation Center Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SEM	\$150.00	\$20.00	\$170.00
	Summer	SEM	\$75.00	\$10.00	\$85.00
2.4	Athletics Fee	SCH	\$32.00	\$18.00	\$50.00
	Fall, Spring & Summer Max (at 13 SCH's)	SEM	\$416.00	\$234.00	\$650.00

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Fee Increase
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Student Recreation Center Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The proposed fee supports the enhancement of additional programmatic services and ensures the continued delivery of high-quality operational support for students. The proposed fee increase will fund:

- Fitness equipment replacement of over sixty pieces.
- More student staff working to cover the expanded square footage.
- Replacement of the roof of the Morris Recreation Center and other deferred maintenance.
- Savings for future recreational projects and improvements.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing was held on September 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the proposed increase. A student referendum was held on December 8, 2025, with 128 students voting. 85% of students voted in favor of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the fee increase is not approved, Campus Recreation will continue to provide programs and services; however, these programs and services will be negatively impacted:

- Reduction of a program area, such as outdoor adventure.
- Further reduction of building operating hours.
- Imposing fees for programs that are currently free or low-cost.
- Ability to budget planned maintenance, which will also impact deferred maintenance.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant balance is expected.

V. Additional information

The increase will be effective Fall 2026 for all students not currently on the Guaranteed Tuition plan. The last increase to this fee occurred in Fall 2015.

Request for Increased Student Fee
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Student Recreation Center Fee

LEGISLATIVE/INTERNAL MAXIMUM:

Current Fee: \$150.00 for Fall and Spring
\$75.00 for Summer
 Proposed Fee: \$170.00 for Fall and Spring
\$85.00 for Summer
 Basis: sem (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Current: \$150.00 for Fall and Spring
\$75.00 for Summer
 Proposed: \$170.00 for Fall and Spring
\$85.00 for Summer

Number of Students Affected: 8,625
 Current Semester Credit Hours: 93,000
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 93,000

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	2,614,000	2,614,000	129,000	2,743,000
Other Revenues	115,000	115,000	0	115,000
Total Revenues	2,729,000	2,729,000	129,000	2,858,000
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	814,618	814,618	0	814,618
Fringe Benefits	191,377	191,377	0	191,377
Departmental Operations	843,325	843,325	75,000	918,325
Maintenance/Equipment	204,680	204,680	54,000	258,680
Debt Service	675,000	675,000	0	675,000
Total Expenses	2,729,000	2,729,000	129,000	2,858,000
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Fee Increase
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Athletics Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the new fee

The proposed fee increase supports enhancement to the athletic programs including game day experience for all students, continued student employment opportunities, and scholarships and graduate assistantships. The proposed fee increase will fund:

- Increased support for band and spirit groups.
- Potential expansion of sport offerings.
- Opportunities to improve and maintain shared athletics spaces.
- Support construction or maintenance of athletics facilities and address deferred maintenance.

East Texas A&M University is currently supplementing our intercollegiate athletics program with institutional funds. An increase to the Athletics Fee will mean these institutional funds can be redirected for use in academics, including the hiring of new faculty.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing to discuss the fee increase was held on September 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., to both in-person and online audiences. A student referendum was held on August 29, 2025, with 336 students voting and 94% voting in favor of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the fee increase is not approved, East Texas A&M University will not be able to enhance the athletics experience for students by offering additional programming or opportunities.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

The proposed increase will not affect current students but will be applicable to new students beginning Fall 2026. The last increase to this fee occurred in Fall 2017.

Request for Increased Student Fee
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Athletics Fee

		LEGISLATIVE/INTERNAL MAXIMUM:	
Current Fee:	<u>\$32.00</u> for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$416.00</u> for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$32.00</u> for Summer		<u>\$416.00</u> for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$50.00</u> for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$650.00</u> for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$50.00</u> for Summer		<u>\$650.00</u> for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u> (sch, sem, student, etc.)	Legislative max set at 13 SCH's	

Number of Students Affected:	<u>1,400</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>36,400</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>36,400</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	5,862,000	5,862,000	655,000	6,517,000
Other Revenues	1,578,000	1,578,000	0	1,578,000
Institutional Supplement	4,038,210	4,038,210	(250,000)	3,788,210
Total Revenues	<u>11,478,210</u>	<u>11,478,210</u>	<u>405,000</u>	<u>11,883,210</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	3,864,470	3,864,470	100,000	3,964,470
Fringe Benefits	1,158,892	1,158,892	50,000	1,208,892
Departmental Operations	2,113,836	2,113,836	155,000	2,268,836
Maintenance/Equipment	449,620	449,620	100,000	549,620
Scholarships	3,223,992	3,223,992	0	3,223,992
Debt Service	667,400	667,400	0	667,400
Total Expenses	<u>11,478,210</u>	<u>11,478,210</u>	<u>405,000</u>	<u>11,883,210</u>
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
ENDING BALANCE	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Summary of Proposed Non-Academic Fees

Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
3.2	Recreational Sports Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SEM	\$82.00	\$17.00	\$99.00
	Summer	SEM	\$41.00	\$8.50	\$49.50

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
Recreational Sports Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The proposed \$17.00/sem increase to the Recreational Sports Fee is necessary to maintain and enhance the quality of services and programming provided to students. The increase will help support timely fitness equipment replacement and ensure operating hours and facility access meet student demand. In addition, the fee increase will support new initiatives, including personalized weight-loss programs, healthy eating education, virtual fitness classes, an expanded E-sports area, outdoor adventure opportunities, and deferred maintenance.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

The Student Fee Advisory Committee met during the fall semester to discuss the proposed increase to the Recreational Sports Fee. The committee supports the fee increase. Student hearings were held on October 14, 15, 23, and 27, 2025. A referendum was held on October 28 – 30, 2025. Students voted in support of the fee increase by 67.15%.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the fee increase is not approved, the maintenance of facilities and available programming will not have adequate budget to sustain the demand of this growing university.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balance is anticipated initially; however, any remaining balance will be used to support future deferred maintenance needs, ensuring the long-term sustainability of the Recreational Sports facilities.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
Recreational Sports Fee

LEGISLATIVE MAXIMUM:

Current Fee:	<u>\$82.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$175.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$41.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$85.00</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$99.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$175.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$49.50</u>	for Summer		<u>\$85.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sem</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)			

Number of Students Affected:	<u>16,850</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>n/a</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>n/a</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	1,202,573	1,214,599	255,476	1,470,075
Total Revenues	1,202,573	1,214,599	255,476	1,470,075
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	722,329	735,240	76,000	811,240
Fringe Benefits	145,778	150,039	6,400	156,439
Travel	13,540	13,540	0	13,540
Maintenance/Equipment	46,052	40,906	173,076	213,982
Debt Service	274,874	274,874	0	274,874
Total Expenses	1,202,573	1,214,599	255,476	1,470,075
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI

Summary of Proposed Non-Academic Fees

Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
4.2	Health Services Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SEM	\$60.00	\$15.00	\$75.00
	Summer	SEM	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
4.5	Athletic Fee	SCH	\$26.38	\$17.15	\$43.53
	Fall, Spring & Summer Max	SEM	\$342.94	\$222.95	\$565.89

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – CORPUS CHRISTI
Health Services Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increase fee

The Health Services fee does not generate sufficient revenue to keep up with the increased costs of University Health Center operations. In FY 2027, it is projected that an additional \$219,177 (gross) will be generated by the increased fee. Once exemptions are applied to this fee, the net revenue generated will be \$190,386.

The University Health Center provides healthcare services for students enrolled at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. Demand for services continues to increase. Since FY 2021, utilization of the University Health Center has increased 17%. The Health Services fees cover 100% of the budget for the University Health Center. Revenue generated by this fee increase will address increased costs including personnel (salaries & benefits), operational expenses, medical supplies & consumables, medical equipment, insurance (fire/wind/flood), utilities, contracted physician services and 24/7 Nurse Line, educational programming, and the cost of the electronic medical records system. Increased revenue will also allow the University Health Center to restore items and services that have been cut from the budget over the last five years to operate within a balanced budget.

The Health Services fee has not been increased since FY 2021, even though operational costs have risen. According to national sources, since 2021, the cost of delivering healthcare in the U.S. has increased by an estimated 16.6% based on total annual spending.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing was held on October 30, 2025, at which the proposed increase will be discussed. In addition, presentations on the proposed fee increase were given to the Student Government Association and the Student Fee Advisory Committee. A student referendum was held on November 3-5, 2025, with students voting 518 (77%) to 157 in favor of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the fee request is not approved, the University Health Center will not be able to meet the demand for services and will have to continue to turn students away. Students will incur greater expenses by going off campus to receive medical care.

IV. Justification for ending balance

Given our coastal location, the University Health Center tries to maintain a minimum of four (4) months of operating expenses in the event of a natural disaster. The University Health Center is funded 100% by the revenue generated by the Health Center fee, therefore maintaining an ending balance is critical for ongoing operations.

V. Additional information

The current Health Services Fee is \$60.00/SEM for the Fall and Spring terms and \$25.00/SEM for each summer term. The proposed increase will increase the fee to the legislative cap of \$75.00/SEM for the Fall and Spring terms. Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi, has the lowest semester fee of the campuses within The Texas A&M University System that operate an on-campus health center. This comparison includes Prairie View A&M University, Tarleton State University, Texas A&M University (College Station), Texas A&M – International University and East Texas A&M University. These six schools all charge the maximum (\$75.00/SEM) allowed by the legislature. West Texas A&M University has a fee of \$70.00/SEM.

Due to the Guaranteed Tuition plan, only new students entering in the Fall 2026 will be subject to an increase in the fee. It will take four years for all students to be paying the new rate.

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI
 Health Services Fee

LEGISLATIVE MAXIMUM:

Current Fee: \$60.00 for Fall and Spring
\$25.00 for Summer
 Proposed Fee: \$75.00 for Fall and Spring
\$25.00 for Summer
 Basis: sem (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Current: \$75.00 for Fall and Spring
\$25.00 for Summer
 Proposed: \$75.00 for Fall and Spring
\$25.00 for Summer

Number of Students Affected: 6,748
 Current Semester Credit Hours: 289,856
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 289,856

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	1,499,115	1,499,115	219,177	1,718,292
Exemptions	(196,917)	(196,917)	(28,791)	(225,708)
Total Revenues	1,302,198	1,302,198	190,386	1,492,584
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	778,031	778,031	23,340	801,371
Fringe Benefits	274,261	274,261	8,227	282,488
Departmental Operations	211,923	211,923	154,302	366,225
Utilities	37,983	37,983	4,517	42,500
Total Expenses	1,302,198	1,302,198	190,386	1,492,584
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI
Athletic Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The Athletic Fee does not generate sufficient revenue to keep up with the increased costs of Islanders Athletics operations. Total expenditures in areas including travel, student-athlete insurance, facility needs, and game operations have increased significantly. Additionally, with the approved House settlement, scholarship and operational costs continue to rise. Over the past four years, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi's athletic program has proven itself to be the preeminent athletic program in the Southland Conference (SLC), as it has earned 25 SLC championships – nearly double the next SLC institution's 14 championships-while also winning the SLC Academic Performance Award and the SLC Women's All-Sports Trophy for the past four consecutive years.

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi seeks to continue its work in developing its future athletics facilities per the campus master plan. The athletics facilities will include a new baseball and softball complex, relocated cross-country course, indoor golf facility, and expansion of the Dugan Soccer and Track Stadium to include Beach Volleyball offices, locker room facilities, and enhancements to the beach volleyball court venue. In the future, the fee could also assist in supporting a portion of the construction of an on-campus multi-purpose community center which will serve as the home for Islander commencement, convocation, and intercollegiate athletic events. It will also serve as a facility for events like new student orientation, university sponsored camps, distinguished speakers, Islander concerts, esports, intramural, and club sport games/competitions.

In FY 2027, it is projected that an additional \$2,728,527 will be generated by the increased athletics fee.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing was held on October 30, 2025, at which the proposed increase will be discussed. In addition, presentations on the proposed fee increase were given to the Student Government Association and the Student Fee Advisory Committee. A student referendum was held November 3-5, 2025, with 423 (63%) to 253 voting in favor of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the fee request is not approved, the university may have to consider reductions to operational costs and scholarships directly affecting athletic performance and student-athlete retention. Such operating impacts could include limiting post-season play, delaying facility maintenance, reallocating resources, and reducing staff. Additionally, Islanders Athletics may have to delay future facility projects until alternative funding can be identified.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

The current Athletic Fee is \$26.38/SCH with a cap set at 13 SCH's. The athletic fee will be increased by \$17.15/SCH, a total of \$43.53/SCH and will cap at 13 SCH's. The increase will take effect Fall 2026.

Due to the Guaranteed Tuition plan, only new students entering in the Fall 2026 will be subject to an increase in the fee. It will take four years for all students to be paying the new rate.

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI
 Athletic Fee

LEGISLATIVE/INTERNAL MAXIMUM:

Current Fee:	<u>\$26.38</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$342.94</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$26.38</u>	for Summer		<u>\$342.94</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$43.53</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$565.89</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$43.53</u>	for Summer		<u>\$565.89</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)			

Number of Students Affected:	6,748
Current Semester Credit Hours:	289,856
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	289,856

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	7,069,866	7,069,866	2,728,527	9,798,393
Exemptions	(624,912)	(624,912)	(241,178)	(866,090)
Ticket Sales & Donations	2,078,025	2,078,025	0	2,078,025
Interest Income & University Funds	6,625,765	6,625,765	(1,501,445)	5,124,320
Total Revenues	15,148,744	15,148,744	985,904	16,134,648
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	4,578,762	4,578,762	215,635	4,794,397
Fringe Benefits	1,514,696	1,514,696	79,784	1,594,480
Departmental Operations	5,877,215	5,877,215	335,904	6,213,119
Scholarships	3,178,071	3,178,071	354,581	3,532,652
Total Expenses	15,148,744	15,148,744	985,904	16,134,648
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE

Summary of Proposed Non-Academic Fees

Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
5.2	Athletic Fee	SCH	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$35.00
	Fall, Spring & Summer Max (at 13 SCH's)	SEM	\$260.00	\$195.00	\$455.00

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE
Athletic Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

An increase of \$15.00/SCH will help bridge the gap between the costs associated with the programs and revenue generated by the Athletic fee. Rising costs associated with facility maintenance, utilities and travel continue to burden the existing fee leaving no room to enhance the existing sports. Institutional support could be decreased to allow for support of other programs across campus or begin making larger commitments to upgrade existing facilities and deferred maintenance.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A campus-wide student referendum was held on October 7 – 9, 2025. More than 1,500 students voted, and the referendum passed by 63% of the vote. Voter turnout represented over 20% of our total student enrollment.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the fee request is not approved, the future success of the Athletic programs will be hindered by a decrease in recruitment and scholarship efforts. Texas A&M University – Kingsville will not have the ability to remain competitive at the current level without additional funding. The proposed fee referendum in the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is integrated and aligned with the University's strategic and campus master plans.

IV. Justification for ending balance

Texas A&M University - Kingsville maintains reserves to meet planned and unexpected operational needs as they occur. Currently, there are not sufficient reserves available to provide additional resources for any unanticipated expenses or future campus master plan initiatives.

V. Additional information

The Athletic Fee has been at the same rate since Fall of 2014. Lone Star Conference and similar member schools charge rates from \$12.00 to \$37.00/SCH.

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE
Athletic Fee

			LEGISLATIVE/INTERNAL MAXIMUM:		
Current Fee:	<u>\$20.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$260.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$20.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$260.00</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$35.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$455.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$35.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$455.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)	Legislative maximum set at 13 SCH's		

Number of Students Affected:	<u>3,110</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>70,200</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>70,200</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	2,702,761	2,702,761	895,050	3,597,811
Sales & Service	189,806	189,806	0	189,806
Other Institutional Support	7,515,600	7,515,600	0	7,515,600
Total Revenues	<u>10,408,167</u>	<u>10,408,167</u>	<u>895,050</u>	<u>11,303,217</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	2,815,670	2,815,670	70,392	2,886,062
Fringe Benefits	954,811	954,811	95,481	1,050,292
Departmental Operations	3,758,915	3,758,915	0	3,758,915
Utilities	211,000	211,000	31,650	242,650
Scholarships	2,385,825	2,385,825	0	2,385,825
Debt Service	281,946	281,946	0	281,946
Total Expenses	<u>10,408,167</u>	<u>10,408,167</u>	<u>197,523</u>	<u>10,605,690</u>
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	<u>697,527</u>	<u>697,527</u>
ENDING BALANCE	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>697,527</u>

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

Summary of Proposed Non-Academic Fees

Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
6.2	Student Health Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SEM	\$60.00	\$10.00	\$70.00
	Summer	SEM	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
6.4	Student Center Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SEM	\$3.00/SCH		\$78.00/SEM
	Summer	SEM	\$1.50/SCH		\$50.00/SEM
	*Fee currently being charged per SCH. Requesting approval to charge per SEM beginning Fall 2026.				
6.6	Recreational Sports Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SEM	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$150.00
	Summer	SEM	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$75.00
6.8	Athletic Fee	SCH	\$13.18	\$14.82	\$28.00
	Fall, Spring & Summer Max	SCH	\$158.16	\$177.84	\$336.00
	*Legislative maximum set at 12 SCH's				

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
Student Health Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

Texas A&M University–Texarkana is requesting a \$10 increase in the Student Health Fee from \$60.00/SEM fall and spring to \$70.00/SEM fall and spring. The Student Health Fee was last increased in Fall 2024. This fee provides funding for the operational costs of providing a student health counseling service. Services to students include, but are not limited to, academic skills assistance, consultation and referral, crisis intervention, individual and group counseling, and educational outreach. Additional funds are needed to support the expansion of programs and increasing mental health needs of our growing student population.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A campus-wide student fee hearing was held September 3, 2025, to discuss proposed fee changes followed by a student referendum on September 9 – 12, 2025. Students were notified of the student referendum via the University’s web page, CCTV, email and press related methods of communication. In the student referendum, 82.5% of participating students voted in favor of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

Without approval of the proposed fee request the counseling services operations will be limited to funds collected due to enrollment increases. Supplemental funding from reserves may be required. The counseling services department’s ability to support the increased student population, attributed to record-breaking enrollment and expectation of continued historical growth, will be impacted due to the inability to expand current programs and services without additional fee revenue.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
 Student Health Fee

			LEGISLATIVE/ MAXIMUM:		
Current Fee:	<u>\$60.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$75.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$25.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$25.00</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$70.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$75.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$25.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$25.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sem</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)			
Number of Students Affected:			<u>800</u>		
Current Semester Credit Hours:			<u>34,289</u>		
Projected Semester Credit Hours:			<u>41,000</u>		

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	314,968	377,962	8,000	385,962
Total Revenues	314,968	377,962	8,000	385,962
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	204,497	225,297	6,800	232,097
Fringe Benefits	62,576	65,076	1,200	66,276
Departmental Operations	47,895	87,589	0	87,589
Total Expenses	314,968	377,962	8,000	385,962
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
Student Center Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

Texas A&M University–Texarkana is requesting a \$33.00/SEM increase in the Student Center Fee from \$3.00/SCH to \$78.00/SEM. This fee has not increased since inception and approval in Fall 2010. The Student Center houses both Education and General (E&G) and non-Education and General spaces. Revenue from the Student Center fee is used to cover the utilities, custodians, and maintenance of the non-E&G areas. Due to the rising costs of maintaining space, this increase is needed for both utility and maintenance cost increases.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A campus-wide student fee hearing was held September 3, 2025, to discuss proposed fee changes followed by a student referendum available September 9–12, 2025. Students were notified of the student referendum via the University’s web page, CCTV, email and press related methods of communication. In the student referendum, 78.7% of participating students voted in favor of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the proposed fee request is not approved, the University will be forced to use existing sources of revenue to support the increasing costs of maintaining this space. This will force the University to divert resources needed for student recruitment, enrollment, and retention to support the student center related expenses.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
 Student Center Fee

LEGISLATIVE MAXIMUM:

Current Fee: \$3.00/sch for Fall and Spring
\$1.50/sch for Summer
 Proposed Fee: \$78.00 for Fall and Spring
\$50.00 for Summer
 Basis: sem (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Current: \$100.00 for Fall and Spring
\$50.00 for Summer
 Proposed: \$100.00 for Fall and Spring
\$50.00 for Summer

***Previously charged by SCH requesting to charge by SEM beginning in the Fall 2026.**

Number of Students Affected: 800
 Current Semester Credit Hours: 34,289
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 41,000

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	194,986	233,983	26,400	260,383
Total Revenues	194,986	233,983	26,400	260,383
Expenses				
Departmental Operations	114,746	137,695	26,400	164,095
Utilities	80,240	96,288	0	96,288
Total Expenses	194,986	233,983	26,400	260,383
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
Recreational Sports Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

Texas A&M University–Texarkana is requesting a \$50.00 increase in the Recreational Sports Fee from \$100.00/SEM to \$150.00/SEM for the fall and spring semesters and from \$50.00/SEM to \$75.00/SEM per summer session. The Recreational Sports Fee has not increased since Fall 2015. With the addition of the Patterson Student Center, additional revenue is required for funding, maintenance, and operations of the facility. In addition, this increase will be utilized for the expansion and improvement of recreational sports and to maximize student engagement and participation.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A campus-wide student fee hearing was held September 3, 2025, to discuss proposed fee changes followed by a student referendum available September 9–12, 2025. Students were notified of the student referendum via the University’s web page, CCTV, email and press related methods of communication. In the student referendum, 81% of participating students voted in favor of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

Without approval of the proposed fee request, strategic plans necessary to support programs related to student fitness, recreational sports participation, and facility maintenance of the Patterson Student Center which services student athletes will be limited only to funds collected due to enrollment increases. Supplemental funding from reserves may be required. The ability to support the increased student population, attributed to record-breaking enrollment and expectation of continued historical growth will be impacted due to the inability to expand current programs and services without additional fee revenue.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
 Recreational Sports Fee

LEGISLATIVE MAXIMUM:

Current Fee:	<u>\$100.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$50.00</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$150.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$75.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	sem	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Current:	<u>\$175.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$87.50</u>	for Summer
Proposed:	<u>\$150.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$87.50</u>	for Summer

Number of Students Affected:	800
Current Semester Credit Hours:	34,289
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	41,000

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	642,406	770,887	40,000	810,887
Total Revenues	642,406	770,887	40,000	810,887
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	123,500	123,500	0	123,500
Fringe Benefits	12,093	12,093	0	12,093
Departmental Operations	190,352	212,722	40,000	252,722
Utilities	50,539	60,647	0	60,647
Lease Payments	265,922	361,925	0	361,925
Total Expenses	642,406	770,887	40,000	810,887
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
Athletics Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

Texas A&M University–Texarkana is requesting an increase in the Athletic Fee from \$13.18/SCH to \$28.00/SCH with a maximum set at 12 SCHs. Revenue from the fee increase will support the program expansion to NCAA Division II, continued growth of current athletic sports, hire coaches, purchase equipment, increase scholarships and fund athletic department operations. Athletic sports benefit the university by allowing increased opportunities for participation and additional campus engagement for student fans.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A campus-wide student fee hearing was held September 3, 2025, to discuss proposed fee changes followed by a student referendum available September 9 – 12, 2025. Students were notified of the student referendum via the University’s web page, CCTV, email and press related methods of communication. In the student referendum, 84.5% of participating students voted in favor of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the proposed fee request is not approved, the growth of the athletic program will be constrained, relying solely on funds generated from enrollment increases. This limitation could result in a shift in university resources, redirecting funds from other crucial areas, such as enrollment strategies that support Texarkana’s record-breaking growth and goals of campus expansion and infrastructure improvements, jeopardizing the continued development of the physical campus. Without the fee increase, the university risks not only limiting its athletic programs but also affecting the broader goals tied to overall growth, development, and student experiences.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
Athletics Fee

			LEGISLATIVE/INTERNAL MAXIMUM:		
Current Fee:	<u>\$13.18</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$158.16</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$13.18</u>	for Summer		<u>\$158.16</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$28.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$336.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$28.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$336.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)	Legislative maximum set at 12 SCH's		

Number of Students Affected:	<u>800</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>34,289</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>41,000</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	794,318	953,182	118,560	1,071,742
Institutional Support	4,010,536	4,324,007	0	4,324,007
Total Revenues	4,804,854	5,277,189	118,560	5,395,749
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	1,385,138	1,462,138	0	1,462,138
Fringe Benefits	418,542	441,442	0	441,442
Departmental Operations	1,762,174	2,114,609	98,560	2,213,169
Scholarships	1,239,000	1,259,000	20,000	1,279,000
Total Expenses	4,804,854	5,277,189	118,560	5,395,749
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Summary of Proposed Non-Academic Fees Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
7.2	Student Services Fee	SCH	\$17.60	\$2.90	\$20.50
	Fall & Spring Max	SEM	\$217.80	\$32.20	\$250.00
	Summer Max	SEM	\$108.90	\$16.10	\$125.00
7.4	Health Services Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SEM	\$70.00	\$5.00	\$75.00
	Summer	SEM	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
7.6	Student Center Complex Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SCH	\$8.00	\$2.00	\$10.00
	Summer	SCH	\$4.00	\$1.00	\$5.00
	Fall & Spring Max	SEM	\$96.00	\$4.00	\$100.00
	Summer Max	SEM	\$48.00	\$2.00	\$50.00
	*Fee cap previously set at 12 SCH's, will be decreased to 10 SCH's.				
7.8	Recreational Sports Fee				
	Fall & Spring	SEM	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$120.00
	Summer	SEM	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$60.00
7.10	Athletic Fee	SCH	\$32.00	\$9.00	\$41.00
	Fall, Spring & Summer Max (at 13 SCH's)	SEM	\$416.00	\$117.00	\$533.00

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Student Service Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The Student Service Fee is assessed per semester credit hour for all enrolled students; fee revenue is allocated by the Campus Student Fee Committee for various campus services and organizations. The last increase to the Student Service Fee occurred in Fall of 2011 when the fee was increased to \$17.60/SCH with a maximum of \$217.80/SEM for the Fall and Spring and \$108.90/SEM for Summer.

West Texas A&M University is proposing an increase in the Student Service Fee to \$20.50/SCH with a maximum of \$250.00/SEM for Fall and Spring and a maximum of \$125.00/SEM for Summer.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

The student body senators (student government) passed a resolution to back this increase and supported a student body referendum. The student referendum was held on October 8 and 9, 2024, as required by statute, and passed by the student body by a 52% to 48% margin.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

Currently, the Student Service fee provides funding for over one hundred student organizations and clubs. If the fee increase is not approved, funding provided to student organizations and clubs will be reduced.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This fee increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently enrolled in a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Student Service Fee

			LEGISLATIVE/INTERNAL MAXIMUM:		
Current Fee:	<u>\$17.60</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$217.80</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$17.60</u>	for Summer		<u>\$108.90</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$20.50</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$250.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$20.50</u>	for Summer		<u>\$125.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)			

Number of Students Affected:	22,696
Current Semester Credit Hours:	213,924
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	213,924

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	3,405,236	3,405,236	540,180	3,945,416
Total Revenues	3,405,236	3,405,236	540,180	3,945,416
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	1,123,728	1,123,728	0	1,123,728
Fringe Benefits	408,628	408,628	0	408,628
Student Programing /Clubs	1,872,880	1,872,880	540,180	2,413,060
Total Expenses	3,405,236	3,405,236	540,180	3,945,416
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Health Services Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The Health Services Fee is used to provide both student medical services and student counseling services on campus. The last increase to this fee was in Fall of 2018 to the current semester rate of \$70. The proposed increase is \$75.00/SEM for Fall/Spring and \$25.00/SEM for summer terms, which is the statutory maximum.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

The student body senators (student government) passed a resolution to back this increase and supported a student body referendum. The student referendum was held on October 8 and 9, 2024 as required by statute and was approved by the student body. The vote passed by a 60% to 40% margin.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

Healthcare costs, as well as the demand for counseling, have increased nationwide. If the fee is not approved, medical and counseling services to students will be reduced.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This fee increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Health Services Fee

			LEGISLATIVE MAXIMUM:		
Current Fee:	<u>\$70.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$75.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$25.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$25.00</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$75.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$75.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$25.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$25.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sem</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)			
Number of Students Affected:			<u>17,521</u>		
Current Semester Credit Hours:			<u>N/A</u>		
Projected Semester Credit Hours:			<u>N/A</u>		

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	1,338,393	1,338,393	87,605	1,425,998
Total Revenues	1,338,393	1,338,393	87,605	1,425,998
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	535,357	535,357	0	535,357
Fringe Benefits	200,759	200,759	0	200,759
Departmental Operations	267,679	267,679	87,605	355,284
Maintenance/Equipment	334,598	334,598	0	334,598
Total Expenses	1,338,393	1,338,393	87,605	1,425,998
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Student Center Complex Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The Student Center Complex fee is used for repair and operational costs – i.e. – utilities, custodial, maintenance and grounds costs for those facilities that are considered non-E&G facilities. The last increase to this fee occurred in Fall 2010 and was increased to \$8.00/SCH with a maximum at 12 SCH's for fall/spring and \$4.00/SCH for summer with a maximum at 12 SCH's. West Texas A&M University is requesting an increase in the fall/spring SCH rate to \$10.00/SCH with a maximum at 10 SCH's and an increase in the summer term SCH rate to \$5.00/SCH also with a maximum at 10 SCH's.

The revenue generated from the increase will be used for non-E&G facility operations and repairs.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

The student body senators (student government) passed a resolution to back this increase and supported a student body referendum. The student referendum was held on October 8 and 9, 2024, as required by statute and the increase was approved by the student body by a 54% to 46% margin.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

Current operational costs exceed the revenue generated at the current levels. If the increase is not approved, the Jack B. Kelly Student Center and the Virgil Henson Activities Center will be required to reduce operational hours.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This fee increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Student Center Complex Fee

			INTERNAL MAXIMUM:		
Current Fee:	<u>\$8.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$96.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$4.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$48.00</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$10.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$100.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$5.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$50.00</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)	*Fee maximum previously set at 12 SCH's, requesting change in maximum to 10 SCH's.		
Number of Students Affected:	<u>17,521</u>				
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>213,924</u>				
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>213,924</u>				

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	1,452,029	1,452,029	224,208	1,676,237
Total Revenues	<u>1,452,029</u>	<u>1,452,029</u>	<u>224,208</u>	<u>1,676,237</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	145,203	145,203	0	145,203
Fringe Benefits	72,601	72,601	0	72,601
Departmental Operations	653,413	653,413	112,104	765,517
Maintenance/Equipment	34,849	34,849	112,104	146,953
Debt Service	545,963	545,963	0	545,963
Total Expenses	<u>1,452,029</u>	<u>1,452,029</u>	<u>224,208</u>	<u>1,676,237</u>
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Recreational Sports Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The Recreational Sports fee, also known as Rec Sports fee, is a flat fee per semester used to help finance, construct, operate, maintain, and improve recreational sports facilities and programs open to all enrolled students who are not members of competing NCAA teams in specified sports. All students have access to the student rec center – the Virgil Hanson Activities Center. The last increase to the Rec Sports Fee occurred in Fall of 2004, when the fee increased to \$70.00/SEM for Fall/Spring and \$35.00/SEM for Summer.

The PROPOSED referendum will allow the Rec Sports fee to increase to \$120.00/SEM for the Fall/Spring semesters and to \$60.00/SEM for Summer sessions. The proposed increase will improve programs, facilities, and services available for student physical health needs. In addition, increased revenue will provide funds for the construction of an extension to the current facility - WTAMU Multi-Purpose Community Safe Room. This multi-purpose facility will serve as an additional recreational sports facility that will have the dual purpose of a tornado safe room for the University and Canyon community.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

The student body senators (student government) passed a resolution to back this increase and supported a student body referendum. The student referendum, required by statute, was held on September 30 and October 1, 2025. Online voting occurred from 9:00 a.m. September 30th to 10:00 p.m. on October 1st via Buff Link. In person voting occurred from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. both days. The vote passed 507 – 446 or 53.2% to 46.8%.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

The increase will allow the University to partner with TDEM and FEMA to build a multi-purpose community safe room with the University paying for 10% of the basic construction cost and all the cost of furniture, fixtures, and equipment. FEMA will pay the remaining 90%. If the fee increase is not approved, the community safe room will not be completed.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This fee increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Recreational Sports Fee

LEGISLATIVE MAXIMUM:

Current Fee:	<u>\$70.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Current:	<u>\$175.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$35.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$87.50</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$120.00</u>	for Fall and Spring	Proposed:	<u>\$175.00</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$60.00</u>	for Summer		<u>\$87.50</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sem</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)			

Number of Students Affected:	<u>22,696</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>N/A</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>N/A</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Fees	1,407,595	1,407,595	1,005,425	2,413,020
Total Revenues	<u>1,407,595</u>	<u>1,407,595</u>	<u>1,005,425</u>	<u>2,413,020</u>
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	563,038	563,038	100,543	663,581
Fringe Benefits	211,139	211,139	50,271	261,411
Departmental Operations	281,519	281,519	251,356	532,875
Maintenance/Equipment	351,899	351,899	0	351,899
Debt Service/Capital Outlay	0	0	603,255	603,255
Total Expenses	<u>1,407,595</u>	<u>1,407,595</u>	<u>1,005,425</u>	<u>2,413,020</u>
Increase/Decrease in Balance Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>

Request for Increased Student Fee
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Athletic Fee
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The athletic fee proposed increase will be used for the operational costs of all sixteen varsity sports and the administration and support of departments within the West Texas A&M University (WT) Athletic Department. The last increase to cover operational costs occurred in Fall 2016 at \$10.00/SCH. Since then, there have been approved increases for debt service coverage for athletic facilities on the WT campus. As transportation, other travel costs, utilities, supplies, and maintenance costs have increased significantly over the last few years because of inflation, the need for additional revenue to fund these costs has increased. This fee increase will help offset those increasing costs.

The approved referendum allows for an increase to the athletic fee from the current rate of \$32.00/SCH to \$41.00/SCH with a maximum set at 13 SCH's.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

The student body senators (student government) passed a resolution to back this increase and supported a student body referendum. The student referendum, required by statute, was held on April 8 and 9, 2025. Online voting occurred from 9:00 a.m. April 8th to 10:00 p.m. April 9th via Buff Link. In person voting occurred from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the same days. The vote passed by a 59% to 41% margin.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

Intercollegiate Athletic programs allow the students and student-athletes the opportunity of a full University experience. With inflationary costs exceeding current revenues, the athletic department will have to reduce the number of sports and/or the number of student athletes allowed to participate if the fee increase is not approved.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This fee increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Athletic Fee

LEGISLATIVE/INTERNAL MAXIMUM:

Maximum set at 13 SCH's.

Number of Students Affected:	22,696
Current Semester Credit Hours:	213,924
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	213,924

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Fees	6,403,552	6,403,552	1,800,999	8,204,551
Designated Tuition	2,337,786	2,337,786		2,337,786
University Service Fee	2,017,491	2,017,491		2,017,491
Total Revenues	10,758,829	10,758,829	1,800,999	12,559,828
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	3,227,649	3,227,649	180,100	3,407,749
Fringe Benefits	1,075,883	1,075,883	90,050	1,165,933
Departmental Operations	1,110,173	1,110,173	1,260,699	2,370,872
Maintenance/Equipment	0	0	270,150	270,150
Debt Service	5,345,125	5,345,125	0	5,345,125
Total Expenses	10,758,830	10,758,830	1,800,999	12,559,829
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0



THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

**FEE REQUESTS
NEW AND INCREASED GRADUATE AND
NON-RESIDENT DESIGNATED TUITION**

**BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
FEBRUARY 2026**

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THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
SUMMARY OF REQUESTED NEW AND INCREASED GRADUATE AND
NON-RESIDENT DESIGNATED TUITION
Proposed to be Effective Fall 2026

<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE/ DECREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Texas A&M University-Central Texas				
Designated Tuition - Graduate				
Graduate Resident	SCH	\$227.39	\$22.74	\$250.13
Graduate Non-Resident	SCH	\$635.39	\$63.54	\$698.93
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi				
Designated Tuition - Graduate				
Graduate Resident	SCH	\$122.53	\$1.23	\$123.76
Graduate Non-Resident	SCH	\$164.82	\$1.65	\$166.47
West Texas A&M University				
College of Nursing Graduate Differential Designated Tuition	SCH		NEW	\$44.35
Designated Tuition - Graduate				
Resident Graduate	SCH	\$182.75	\$10.15	\$192.90
Border State Graduate	SCH	\$200.84	\$11.06	\$211.90
Graduate Non-Resident	SCH	\$235.52	\$12.79	\$248.31
Designated Tuition - Non-resident Undergraduate - Guaranteed				
Border State Undergraduate	SCH	\$213.73	\$10.69	\$224.42
Non-Resident Undergraduate	SCH	\$292.39	\$14.62	\$307.01

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CENTRAL TEXAS
Summary of Proposed Graduate and Non-Resident Designated Tuition
Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
2.2	Designated Tuition - Graduate				
	Graduate Resident	SCH	\$227.39	\$22.74	\$250.13
	Graduate Non-Resident	SCH	\$635.39	\$63.54	\$698.93

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for New Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – CENTRAL TEXAS
Designated Tuition – Graduate Resident & Non-Resident
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the new fee

Texas A&M University – Central Texas requests an increase to all Designated Tuition for Graduates including the variable resident and non-resident rates and new students electing the guaranteed rate for Fall of 2026.

Our current designated tuition rates for graduate students do not provide sufficient revenue to fund expanding graduate programs. Revenue provided by the increase will allow academic units in our colleges to recruit new graduate level faculty at higher salaries. The new faculty will allow programs to expand course offerings to benefit our graduate students with additional course sections and faculty advisors. Retention of existing graduate faculty will be increased as well through salary increases and allow us to keep existing highly qualified faculty at the university. Additional revenue will also be used to expand research capacity by funding graduate student assistants.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

No public hearing or student referendum is required.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the requested increase is not approved, the university will be unable to recruit new faculty/researchers and retain existing faculty given budget constraints from increased costs and reduced research funding at the federal level.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CENTRAL TEXAS
 Designated Tuition - Graduate Resident

Current Fee: \$227.39 for Fall and Spring
 \$227.39 for Summer
 Proposed Fee: \$250.13 for Fall and Spring
 \$250.13 for Summer
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 675-700
 Current Semester Credit Hours: 3,910
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 4,106

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated	900,000	2,227		2,227
Revenues				
Fees	889,095	933,663	93,370	1,027,034
Total Revenues	889,095	933,663	93,370	1,027,034
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	666,821	700,248	70,028	770,275
Fringe Benefits	200,046	210,074	21,008	231,083
Departmental Operations	20,000	20,000	0	20,000
Total Expenses	886,868	930,322	91,036	1,021,358
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	2,227	3,342	2,334	5,676
ENDING BALANCE	2,227	5,569		7,903

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CENTRAL TEXAS
 Designated Tuition - Graduate Non-Resident

Current Fee:	<u>\$635.39</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$635.39</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$698.93</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$698.93</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	<u>40-50</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>250</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>262</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated	160,000	3,971		3,971
Revenues				
Fees	158,848	166,472	16,647	183,120
Total Revenues	158,848	166,472	16,647	183,120
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	119,136	124,854	12,486	137,340
Fringe Benefits	35,741	37,456	3,746	41,202
Total Expenses	154,876	162,310	16,231	178,542
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	3,971	4,162	416	4,578
ENDING BALANCE	3,971	8,133		8,549

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI
 Summary of Proposed Graduate and Non-Resident Designated Tuition
 Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
3.2	Designated Tuition - Graduate				
	Graduate Resident	SCH	\$122.53	\$1.23	\$123.76
	Graduate Non-Resident	SCH	\$164.82	\$1.65	\$166.47

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY – CORPUS CHRISTI
Designated Tuition – Graduate Resident & Non-Resident
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased fee

The proposed increase will be distributed between Designated Tuition and the University Services Fee. These funds will be strategically allocated to advance the university's core mission of instruction, research, and the provision of essential support services.

This increase is necessary to address escalating operational costs driven by inflationary pressures and rising health insurance premiums. The additional revenue will support critical areas including:

- Operational expenses, including merit-based salary increases.
- Increases in employee benefits.

By investing in these priorities, the University aims to maintain the quality of its academic programs, support faculty and staff, and ensure continued access and affordability for students.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing will be held by the Board of Regents at the February 2026 Board of Regents Meeting. Students will be informed of the increase.

III. Budget impact if fee request is not approved

If the proposed fee increase is not approved, the University may face significant constraints in its ability to sustain growth and advance strategic initiatives. Efforts to enhance student retention and expand academic and support services may be delayed or scaled back. The lack of increased revenue will limit the University's capacity to recruit and retain qualified faculty and staff, invest in new programs, and respond to rising operational costs. This could adversely affect the quality of instruction, student experience, and the institution's overall competitiveness.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No significant ending balances are projected, however, given our coastal location, we strive to maintain a three-month fund balance of operational expenses, in the event of an unforeseen natural disaster.

V. Additional information

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI
 Designated Tuition - Graduate Resident

Current Fee:	<u>\$122.53</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$122.53</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$123.76</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$123.76</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	<u>2,001</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>40,837</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>40,837</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Tuition	5,019,515	5,019,515	50,388	5,069,903
Exemptions	(421,108)	(421,108)	(4,228)	(425,336)
Set-Asides	(471,155)	(471,155)	(7,558)	(478,713)
Total Revenues	4,127,252	4,127,252	38,602	4,165,854
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	2,301,937	2,301,937	27,021	2,328,958
Fringe Benefits	629,531	629,531	11,581	641,112
Departmental Operations	1,005,146	1,005,146	0	1,005,146
Travel	84,880	84,880	0	84,880
Scholarships	105,758	105,758	0	105,758
Total Expenses	4,127,252	4,127,252	38,602	4,165,854
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Fee
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI
 Designated Tuition - Graduate Non-Resident

Current Fee: \$164.82 for Fall and Spring
 \$164.82 for Summer
 Proposed Fee: \$166.47 for Fall and Spring
 \$166.47 for Summer
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 555
 Current Semester Credit Hours: 10,146
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 10,146

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without fee increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Tuition	1,684,460	1,684,460	16,845	1,701,305
Exemptions	(16,020)	(16,020)	(161)	(16,181)
Total Revenues	1,668,440	1,668,440	16,684	1,685,124
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	932,402	932,402	11,679	944,081
Fringe Benefits	288,997	288,997	5,005	294,002
Departmental Operations	376,800	376,800	0	376,800
Travel	31,275	31,275	0	31,275
Scholarships	38,967	38,967	0	38,967
Total Expenses	1,668,440	1,668,440	16,684	1,685,124
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Summary of Proposed Graduate and Non-Resident Designated Tuition Effective Fall 2026

<u>PAGE</u>	<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BASIS</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
4.2	College of Nursing Graduate Differential Designated Tuition	SCH		NEW	\$44.35
4.4	Designated Tuition - Graduate				
	Resident Graduate	SCH	\$182.75	\$10.15	\$192.90
	Border State Graduate	SCH	\$200.84	\$11.06	\$211.90
	Out of State/Non-Resident Graduate	SCH	\$235.52	\$12.79	\$248.31
4.10	Designated Tuition - Undergraduate				
	Border State Undergraduate	SCH	\$213.73	\$10.69	\$224.42
	Out of State/Non-Resident Undergraduate	SCH	\$292.39	\$14.62	\$307.01

SCH - Semester Credit Hour

SEM - Semester

Request for NEW Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
College of Nursing Graduate Differential Designated Tuition
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the new tuition

Differential Designated Tuition is a separate tuition charged per semester credit hour to students taking classes in specific programs with high costs associated within those fields of study. Currently the college assesses differential designated tuition to both undergraduate and graduate students within the nursing program. Communications Disorders and Sports and Exercise Sciences are high-cost programs because of specialized equipment. This new differential designated tuition is proposed for graduate students only and since these additional programs are within the College of Nursing, the University is proposing the same differential tuition rate as the Nursing program.

This differential tuition rate is proposed for all Graduate students at the rate of \$44.35/SCH.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing to discuss the new tuition was held the week of October 27, 2025.

III. Budget impact if tuition request is not approved

If the new Differential Tuition is not approved, the high-tech equipment that is required in these fields of study will not be repaired or replaced as needed which will negatively affect the quality of the program and endanger the accreditation of the program.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This new tuition will apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, those students currently on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for New Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 College of Nursing Graduate Differential Designated Tuition

Proposed Tuition: \$44.35 for Fall and Spring
 \$44.35 for Summer
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 303
 Projected Student Enrollment: 303
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 3,102

	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE	0
Revenues	
Tuition	135,574
Total Revenues	135,574
Expenses	
Salaries & Wages	61,008
Fringe Benefits	20,336
Departmental Operations	54,230
Total Expenses	135,574
Increase/Decrease in Balance (Revenues less Expenses)	0
ENDING BALANCE	0

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Designated Tuition – Resident Graduate
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased tuition

Designated Tuition rates are set by the University with Board of Regents approval. Revenue generated is utilized for operations of the University, state-mandated set-asides for need-based scholarships and building upkeep and improvement. Designated tuition is charged per semester credit hour up to 12 hours, at a flat rate for 12 to 18 hours, and per semester credit hour for hours above 18 hours each semester. The requested tuition increase will be charged to all Resident Graduate students and will increase from \$182.75/SCH to \$192.90/SCH.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing was held the week of October 27, 2025, to discuss the proposed increase.

III. Budget impact if tuition request is not approved

The increase in graduate designated tuition is necessary to offset inflation adjustments in an effort to keep costs more affordable. The last increase in tuition at West Texas A&M University occurred in the Fall of 2021.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This tuition increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Designated Tuition - Resident Graduate

Current Fee:	<u>\$182.75</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$182.75</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$192.90</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$192.90</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	4,488
Current Semester Credit Hours:	29,865
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	29,865

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Tuition	5,560,352	5,560,352	308,823	5,869,175
Total Revenues	5,560,352	5,560,352	308,823	5,869,175
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	3,058,194	3,058,194	169,853	3,228,046
Fringe Benefits	834,053	834,053	46,323	880,376
Departmental Operations	1,390,088	1,390,088	77,206	1,467,294
Scholarship Set Asides	278,018	278,018	15,441	293,459
Total Expenses	5,560,352	5,560,352	308,823	5,869,175
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Designated Tuition - Border State Graduate
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased tuition

Designated Tuition rates are set by the University after the Board of Regents approval. Revenue generated is utilized for University operations, state-mandated set-asides for need-based scholarships and building upkeep and improvement. Designated tuition is charged per semester credit hour up to 12 hours, at a fixed flat rate for students taking 12 to 18 hours and per semester credit hour for semester credit hours above 18 per term.

This tuition increase is proposed for all Border State Graduate students and will increase from \$200.84/SCH to \$211.90/SCH.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing was held the week of October 27, 2025, to discuss the proposed increase.

III. Budget impact if tuition request is not approved

The increases in graduate designated tuition are necessary to offset inflation adjustments in an effort to keep costs more affordable. The last increase in designated tuition at West Texas A&M University occurred in the Fall of 2021.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This tuition increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently enrolled on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Designated Tuition - Border State Graduate

Current Fee: \$200.84 for Fall and Spring
 \$200.84 for Summer
 Proposed Fee: \$211.90 for Fall and Spring
 \$211.90 for Summer
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 684
 Current Semester Credit Hours: 3,927
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 3,927

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Tuition	801,352	801,352	44,129	845,481
Total Revenues	801,352	801,352	44,129	845,481
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	440,744	440,744	24,271	465,015
Fringe Benefits	120,203	120,203	6,619	126,822
Departmental Operations	200,338	200,338	11,032	211,370
Scholarship Set Asides	40,068	40,068	2,206	42,274
Total Expenses	801,352	801,352	44,129	845,481
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Designated Tuition – Out of State/Non-Resident Graduate
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased tuition

Designated Tuition rates are set by the University with the Board of Regents approval. Revenue generated is utilized for operations of the University, state-mandated set-asides for need-based scholarships and building upkeep and improvement. Designated tuition is charged per semester credit hour up to 12 hours, at a fixed amount for 12 to 18 hours, and per semester credit hour for hours above 18 per term.

This tuition increase is proposed for all Non-Resident Graduate students and will increase from \$235.52/SCH to \$248.31/SCH.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing was held the week of October 27, 2025, to discuss the proposed increase.

III. Budget impact if tuition request is not approved

The increase in graduate designated tuition is needed to offset inflation adjustments in an effort to keep costs affordable for students. The last increase in tuition at West Texas A&M University occurred in the Fall of 2021.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This tuition increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently enrolled on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Designated Tuition - Out of State/Non-Resident Graduate

Current Fee: \$235.52 for Fall and Spring
 \$235.52 for Summer
 Proposed Fee: \$248.31 for Fall and Spring
 \$248.31 for Summer
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 585
 Current Semester Credit Hours: 4,050
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 4,050

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Tuition	969,400	969,400	52,644	1,022,044
Total Revenues	969,400	969,400	52,644	1,022,044
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	533,170	533,170	28,954	562,124
Fringe Benefits	145,410	145,410	7,897	153,307
Departmental Operations	242,350	242,350	13,161	255,511
Scholarship Set Asides	48,470	48,470	2,632	51,102
Total Expenses	969,400	969,400	52,644	1,022,044
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Designated Tuition – Border State Undergraduate – Guaranteed
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased tuition

Designated Tuition rates are set by the University with the Board of Regents approval. Revenue generated is utilized for operations of the University, state-mandated set-asides for need-based scholarships and building upkeep and improvement. Designated tuition is charged per semester credit hour up to 12 hours, at a fixed flat rate for 12 to 18 hours, and per semester credit hour for hours above 18 each semester.

This tuition increase is proposed for all Border State Undergraduate students and will increase from \$213.73/SCH to \$224.42/SCH.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing was held the week of October 27, 2025, to discuss the proposed increase.

III. Budget impact if tuition request is not approved

The increase in designated tuition is necessary to offset inflation adjustments in an effort to keep costs affordable for students. The last increase in tuition at West Texas A&M University occurred in the Fall of 2021.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This tuition increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
 Designated Tuition - Border State Undergraduate - Guaranteed

Current Fee: \$213.73 for Fall and Spring
 \$213.73 for Summer
 Proposed Fee: \$224.42 for Fall and Spring
 \$224.42 for Summer
 Basis: sch (sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected: 1,377
 Current Semester Credit Hours: 19,284
 Projected Semester Credit Hours: 19,284

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual Estimated	0	0		0
Revenues				
Tuition	3,947,807	3,947,807	197,455	4,145,262
Total Revenues	3,947,807	3,947,807	197,455	4,145,262
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	2,171,294	2,171,294	108,600	2,279,894
Fringe Benefits	592,171	592,171	29,618	621,789
Departmental Operations	986,952	986,952	49,364	1,036,316
Scholarship Set Asides	197,390	197,390	9,873	207,263
Total Expenses	3,947,807	3,947,807	197,455	4,145,262
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Designated Tuition – Out of State/Non-Resident Undergraduate - Guaranteed
Effective Fall 2026

I. Programmatic justification and proposed use of the increased tuition

Designated Tuition rates are set by the University with the Board of Regents approval. Revenue generated is utilized for operations of the University, state-mandated set-asides for need-based scholarships and building upkeep and improvement. Designated tuition is charged per semester credit hour up to 12 hours, at a fixed flat rate for 12 to 18 hours, and per semester credit hours for hours above 18 per term.

This tuition increase is proposed for all Non-Resident Undergraduate students and will increase from \$292.39/SCH to \$307.01/SCH.

II. Public hearing and/or student referendum requirements

A public hearing was held the week of October 27, 2025, to discuss the proposed increase.

III. Budget impact if tuition request is not approved

The increase in graduate designated tuition is necessary to offset inflation adjustments in an effort to keep costs affordable for students. The last increase in tuition at West Texas A&M University occurred in the Fall of 2021.

IV. Justification for ending balance

No ending balance is anticipated.

V. Additional information

This tuition increase will only apply to students new to the University in Fall of 2026, students currently on a one-year variable plan, and students that have completed their four-year guaranteed plan window.

Request for Increased Student Tuition
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Designated Tuition - Out of State/Non-Resident Undergraduate Guaranteed

Current Fee:	<u>\$292.39</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$292.39</u>	for Summer
Proposed Fee:	<u>\$307.01</u>	for Fall and Spring
	<u>\$307.01</u>	for Summer
Basis:	<u>sch</u>	(sch, sem, student, etc.)

Number of Students Affected:	<u>1,212</u>
Current Semester Credit Hours:	<u>15,618</u>
Projected Semester Credit Hours:	<u>15,618</u>

	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Budget without increase	FY 2027 Proposed Increase (Decrease)	FY 2027 Budget
BEGINNING BALANCE - Actual	0			
Estimated		0		0
Revenues				
Tuition	4,506,899	4,506,899	225,353	4,732,252
Total Revenues	4,506,899	4,506,899	225,353	4,732,252
Expenses				
Salaries & Wages	2,478,794	2,478,794	123,944	2,602,739
Fringe Benefits	676,035	676,035	33,803	709,838
Departmental Operations	1,126,725	1,126,725	56,338	1,183,063
Scholarship Set Asides	225,345	225,345	11,268	236,613
Total Expenses	4,506,899	4,506,899	225,353	4,732,252
Increase/Decrease in Balance				
Revenues less Expenses	0	0	0	0
ENDING BALANCE	0	0		0

03.02 Academic Mission Statements and Program Inventory

Revised [February 5, 2026](#) (MO -2026)
Next Scheduled Review: February 5, 2031
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Policy Summary

This policy provides each academic institution of The Texas A&M University System (system) with the required review and approval process for the creation or revision of the academic institution's mission statement and program inventory.

Policy

1. ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS MISSION STATEMENT AND PROGRAM INVENTORY

- 1.1 Mission Statement. Each academic institution's mission statement is a narrative description that addresses the fundamental purpose of the institution with respect to its teaching, research, and service responsibilities from a regional, state, and national perspective. The mission statement is prepared by the academic institution and approved by the system Board of Regents (system board). Each academic institution's mission statement must be consistent with its program inventory and, if applicable, the academic institution's statutory mission description.
- 1.2 Program Inventory. Each academic institution's program inventory lists the degree and certificate programs authorized by the system board and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (coordinating board).

2. PREPARATION, SYSTEM REVIEW AND APPROVAL

- 2.1 Each academic institution reviews their mission statement every five years. Each academic institution prepares a request to the system board for approval of a new or revised mission statement or reaffirmation of the mission statement if no changes are required. An institution may revise its mission statement and request approval for changes at any time.
- 2.2 Each academic institution requests authority to add new degree programs to the program inventory in accordance with System Policy *11.10, Academic Program Requests*, through the System Office of Academic Affairs to the chancellor for system review and system board approval.
- 2.3 Upon approval by the system board, a request to change the academic institution's mission statement or add a new degree program to the program inventory is submitted by the System Office of Academic Affairs to the coordinating board.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

[19 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 5, Subch. B,](#)

[19 Tex. Admin. Code Ch 2, Subch. A, C, F, G](#)

[Tex. Edu. Code 51.359 *Role and Mission Statement*](#)

[Tex. Edu. Code 61.084\(d\) *Training for Members of Governing Boards*](#)

[System Policy 03.01, *System Mission, Vision and Strategic Planning Process*](#)

[System Policy 11.10, *Academic Program Requests*](#)

Member Rule Requirements

A rule is not required to supplement this policy.

Contact Office

Academic Affairs
(979) 458-6072

29.01 Information Resources

Revised [February 5, 2026](#) (MO XX-2026)

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Policy Summary

The Board of Regents (board) of The Texas A&M University System (system) regards information resources as a vital part of fulfilling the mission of the system. The system chief information officer (SCIO) is responsible for coordinating the system's information resources, including ensuring, in consultation with the system chief information security officer (SCISO) and each member chief executive officer (CEO) and chief information officer (CIO), the effectiveness, confidentiality and efficiency of members' information resources.

This policy establishes the authority and responsibilities of the SCIO and provides the minimum rules to be developed and implemented by members to govern the use of information resources.

Definitions

Click to view [Definitions](#).

Policy

1. SYSTEM INFORMATION RESOURCES GOVERNANCE

- 1.1 The efficient and effective use of information resources is critical to the long-term success of the system. To that end, the SCIO is responsible for ensuring that all members implement rules for the appropriate management of information resources, including provisions designed to guarantee that information resources expenditures from any funding source are efficient and serve to improve system services.
- 1.2 Each member must develop and implement rules to ensure compliance with applicable Texas Department of Information Resources' rules, including but not limited to Texas Administrative Code, Title 1, Ch. 206, *State Web Sites*, and Ch. 213, *Electronic and Information Resources*. New or revised member information resources rules are not effective until approved by the SCIO or designee, in addition to other approvals required by the system or member.
- 1.3 The SCIO, with the chancellor's approval, must develop an information resources governance structure at the system level that accomplishes the following:

Resolution

WHEREAS, the members of the 2025 Texas A&M University Women’s Volleyball Team are Ifenna Cos-Okpalla, Addi Applegate, Tatum Thomas, Emily Hellmuth, Lexi Guinn, Taryn Morris, Djurdja Stanojevic, Amaré Hernandez, Logan Lednicky, Margot Manning, Taylor Humphrey, Ava Underwood, Kirra Musgrove, Maddie Waak, Megan Fitch, Morgan Perkins, Kyndal Stowers, head coach Jamie Morrison, associate head coach Lindsey Walton, associate head coach Jen Woods, assistant coach Jeff Fiorenza, director of analytics Joe Skinner, and director of operations Kaitlyn Corbett; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Texas A&M University Women’s Volleyball Team won the first national championship title in the program’s history on December 21, 2025, becoming only the 13th university in the country to win a national title in women’s volleyball; and

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M University Women’s Volleyball Team defeated three No. 1 seeds in the NCAA tournament on its way to winning the title, finishing with a 29-4 record and a No. 1 national ranking, the highest in the program’s history; and

WHEREAS, players Ifenna Cos-Okpalla, Logan Lednicky, Kyndal Stowers, and Maddie Waak earned All-America honors; and

WHEREAS, head coach Jamie Morrison was named national coach of the year; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Women’s Volleyball Team, in true Aggie spirit, represented Texas A&M University and the entire Bryan/College Station community with class, honor, and the highest degree of sportsmanship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, gratefully recognize the achievements of the 2025 Texas A&M University Women’s Volleyball Team; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be included in the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System and be presented to members of the Texas A&M University Women’s Volleyball Team, Mr. Jamie Morrison, Ms. Lindsey Walton, Ms. Jen Woods, Mr. Jeff Fiorenza, Mr. Joe Skinner, and Ms. Kaitlyn Corbett, and to the Archives of Texas A&M University as an expression of congratulations for their excellence on the court.

ADOPTED, this 5th day of February 2026.

Robert L. Albritton
Chairman, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System



THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

NEW & AMENDED FIELD TRIP/STUDY ABROAD FEES 2024-25 Academic Year

BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
February 2026

EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
Visual Arts	ART	418	Japan	\$3,055.00		
Honors College	HC	497	UK/Germany/Austria	\$2,200.00		
Social Work	SWK	492/592	Costa Rica		\$1,316.00	\$1,707.09
Health & Human Performance	HHPK	Various	Germany/France		\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
Architecture	ARCH	4333	Italy		\$746.00	\$2,980.00
Arts & Sciences	COMM	2355	Belize		\$2,300.00	\$3,532.54
	CURR	1300	Dominican Republic		\$2,478.00	\$1,825.00
	BIOL	1502	Galapagos	\$3,628.96		
	HIST	2321/3315	Germany		\$2,722.00	\$4,294.00
Agriculture	AGRI	2351	Jamaica	\$3,547.00		
College of Education	CURR	1401	Panama		\$2,063.00	\$3,007.00
College of Education	EDUL	7307	Belize	\$3,247.00		
College of Juvenile Justice	CRIJ	4391	Jamaica		\$300.00	\$3,233.00

TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Field Trip Fees</u>						
Agricultural Education & Communications	AGSD	4390	Various Texas locations	\$200.00		
	AGCS	4341	Various Texas locations	\$800.00		
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
Agricultural Education & Communications	AGSD	4390	Dublin, Ireland	\$3,500.00		
	ACRS	5390	Dublin, Ireland	\$3,500.00		
	ANSC	4390	Dublin, Ireland	\$3,500.00		
	ARSC	6390	Dublin, Ireland	\$3,500.00		
	AGSD	4390	Prague, Czech Republic	\$5,500.00		
	AGSD	5390	Prague, Czech Republic	\$5,500.00		
	ACOM	4342	Prague, Czech Republic	\$5,500.00		
	ACOM	5342	Prague, Czech Republic	\$5,500.00		
Animal Science	ANSC	4086/5086	Kakadu NT 0822, Australia; Gold Coast QLD, Australia; Frazer Island, Australia; Darwin NT, Australia; Brisbane QLD, Australia; Queensland, Australia	\$4,000.00		
Honors	PHIL	1301	Athens, Greece	\$3,000.00		
	ENGL	2350	Athens, Greece	\$3,000.00		
	ARTS	1301	Athens, Greece	\$3,000.00		
	ENGL	3341	Athens, Greece	\$3,000.00		
	HIST	4350	Athens, Greece	\$3,000.00		
	ARTS	4385	Athens, Greece	\$3,000.00		
	HNRS	3385	Athens, Greece	\$3,000.00		
Engineering Technology	ENGT	3318	Vienna, Austria	\$4,540.00		
	ENGT	3395	Vienna, Austria	\$4,540.00		
	CNST	3321	Vienna, Austria	\$4,540.00		
	MEEN	4205	Vienna, Austria	\$4,540.00		
	ENGR	4084	Vienna, Austria	\$4,540.00		
Communication Studies	COMM	1311	Paris, France; Barcelona, Spain	\$4,440.00		
	COMM	1315	Paris, France; Barcelona, Spain	\$4,440.00		
	COMM	3304	Paris, France; Barcelona, Spain	\$4,440.00		
	COMM	3332	Paris, France; Barcelona, Spain	\$4,440.00		
Criminology, Criminal Justice, & Public Admin	CRIJ	4387	Prague, Czech Republic		\$3,300.00	\$2,000.00
	CRIJ	5315	Prague, Czech Republic		\$3,300.00	\$2,000.00
	CRIJ	6350	Prague, Czech Republic		\$3,300.00	\$2,000.00
Curriculum and Instruction	CHFS	4387	Urbino, Italy; Reggio Emilia, Italy; Florence, Italy		\$4,400.00	\$6,777.92
	EDUC	2330	Urbino, Italy; Reggio Emilia, Italy; Florence, Italy		\$4,400.00	\$6,777.92
	READ	3356	Urbino, Italy; Reggio Emilia, Italy; Florence, Italy		\$4,400.00	\$6,777.92
	READ	5373	Urbino, Italy; Reggio Emilia, Italy; Florence, Italy		\$4,400.00	\$6,777.92
Educational Leadership & Technology	EDAD	5389/6389	Galway, Ireland; Dublin, Ireland		\$5,300.00	\$2,750.00

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
College of Arts and Sciences	FREN	1620	France	\$4,873.00		
	FREN	2620	France	\$4,873.00		
	UNIV	4399	Austria, Hungary & Czech Republic	\$5,860.00		
	SPAN	4330	Spain		\$4,935.00	\$5,031.00
	SPAN	5349	Spain		\$4,935.00	\$5,031.00
	CRIJ	4340	South Korea		\$1,955.00	\$1,807.00
	CRIJ	5314	South Korea		\$1,955.00	\$1,807.00

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
Field Trip Fees						
College of Agriculture & Life Sciences	ECCB	215-All Sections	Biodiversity Teaching and Research Cooperative and Herbarium, Range Area, Little Brazos River, Lick Creek		\$35.00	\$25.00
	HMGT	300-689	Orlando Florida	\$1,942.64		
	HORT	421-All Sections	Fredericksburg, TX	\$75.00		
College of Architecture	ARCH	441-500	San Antonio, TX	\$145.00		
	COSC	153-All Sections	Various cities in Texas within 150 miles of campus. Typically cities such as, Alvin, Austin, Hockley, Katy, Houston, New Braunfels, Red Oak, Rosenberg, Seguin, Spring, and Thorndale	\$50.00		
	LAND	112-All Sections	Fort Worth, TX	\$150.00		
	LAND	412-All Sections	Bridgeland Houston Texas	\$50.00		
	LAND	489-501	Costa Rica	\$2,300.00		
	LAND	621-All Sections	Houston, TX	\$60.00		
	URPN	493-902	Fort Stockton, TX	\$300.00		
College of Arts & Sciences	ATMO	370-550	Continental United States - within the US Great Plains, but specific locations will vary based on weather conditions	\$450.00		
	COMM	343-503	Prague and Pisek, Czechia	\$3,000.00		
	COMM	485-555	Prague and Pisek, Czechia	\$3,000.00		
	OCNG	443-All Sections	Galveston, TX	\$100.00		
College of Education & Human Development	EDCI	604-700	Finland	\$5,283.61		
	EDCI	604-701	Finland	\$5,283.61		
	EDCI	605-700	Thailand and Cambodia	\$4,419.03		
	EDCI	680-701	Thailand and Cambodia	\$4,419.03		
	EDCI	692-701	Thailand and Cambodia	\$4,419.03		
	EDCI	701-All Sections	Thailand and Cambodia	\$4,419.03		
	EHRD	408-All Sections	Egypt	\$4,651.72		
	EHRD	481-All Sections	Egypt	\$4,651.72		
	EHRD	685-All Sections	Egypt	\$4,651.72		
	EPSY	320-500	Finland	\$5,283.61		
	EPSY	321-500	Finland	\$5,283.61		
	EPSY	321-500	Morocco - Marrakech, Casablanca, and Essaouira	\$4,260.81		
	EPSY	485-500	Greenland and Iceland	\$14,395.64		
	EPSY	485-507	Finland	\$5,283.61		
	EPSY	485-507	Morocco - Marrakech, Casablanca, and Essaouira	\$4,260.81		
	EPSY	485-All Sections	Egypt	\$4,651.72		
	EPSY	491-500	Greenland and Iceland	\$14,395.64		
	EPSY	685-500	Greenland and Iceland	\$14,395.64		
	EPSY	685-603	Finland	\$5,283.61		
	EPSY	685-609	Morocco - Marrakech, Casablanca, and Essaouira	\$4,260.81		
	EPSY	691-500	Greenland and Iceland	\$14,395.64		
	INST	222-All Sections	Finland	\$5,283.61		
	INST	301-500	Finland	\$5,283.61		
	INST	301-500	Greenland and Iceland	\$14,395.64		
	INST	301-500	Morocco - Marrakech, Casablanca, and Essaouira	\$4,260.81		
	SPMT	260-All Sections	United Kingdom	\$4,965.35		
	SPMT	270-All Sections	United Kingdom	\$4,965.35		
	SPMT	337-550	Morocco - Marrakech, Casablanca, and Essaouira	\$4,260.81		
	SPMT	337-All Sections	United Kingdom	\$4,965.35		
	SPMT	462-All Sections	United Kingdom	\$4,965.35		
	SPMT	485-All Sections	United Kingdom	\$4,965.35		

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
	SPMT	685-All Sections	United Kingdom	\$4,965.35		
	TEFB	371-All Sections	Finland	\$5,283.61		
College of Engineering	ENGR	291-500	Greece - Thessaloniki and Athens	\$3,700.00		
	ENGR	491-500	Greece - Thessaloniki and Athens	\$3,700.00		
College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences	VIBS	489-199	Ikaria and Athens, Greece	\$4,743.00		
	VIBS	689-199	Ikaria and Athens, Greece	\$4,743.00		
Mays Business School	ACCT	430-501	Japan & South Korea	\$7,675.00		
	ACCT	485-503	Japan & South Korea	\$7,675.00		
	IBUS	310-500	Argentina & Antarctica	\$13,700.00		
	IBUS	320-501	Greece	\$5,050.00		
	IBUS	430-501	Japan & South Korea	\$7,675.00		
	IBUS	455-501	Japan & South Korea	\$7,675.00		
	IBUS	456-5001	Austria, Italy, and Switzerland	\$6,800.00		
	IBUS	685-600	Argentina & Antarctica	\$13,700.00		
	IBUS	689-602	Panama	\$4,050.00		
	MGMT	689-602	Panama	\$4,050.00		
	SCMT	485-502	Portugal	\$4,000.00		
	SCMT	640-602	Portugal	\$4,000.00		
School of Law	LAW	689-601	Channel Islands	\$4,500.00		
	LAW	689-602	Iceland, Faroe Islands (Denmark)	\$5,500.00		
	LAW	7830-601	Channel Islands	\$4,500.00		
	LAW	7830-602	Iceland, Faroe Islands (Denmark)	\$5,500.00		
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
Agriculture	ENTO	455	Costa Rica		\$3,975.00	\$10,000.00
	ENTO	489	France	\$15,000.00		
	FIVS	489	United Kingdom	\$15,000.00		
	FSTC	420	Italy	\$15,000.00		
	HMG1	412	Switzerland	\$15,000.00		
	HMG1	612	Switzerland	\$15,000.00		
	HORT	489	France	\$15,000.00		
Architecture	CARC	301	Germany & Netherlands		\$15,000.00	\$20,160.00
	CARC	301	Spain		\$17,000.00	\$25,000.00
	CARC	311	Germany & Netherlands		\$15,000.00	\$20,160.00
	CARC	311	Japan		\$9,375.00	\$15,000.00
	CARC	311	Spain		\$17,000.00	\$25,000.00
	CARC	331	Japan		\$9,375.00	\$15,000.00
	CARC	331	Spain		\$17,000.00	\$25,000.00
	CARC	485	Japan		\$9,375.00	\$15,000.00
	CARC	485	Germany & Netherlands		\$15,000.00	\$20,160.00
	CARC	485	Spain		\$17,000.00	\$25,000.00
	CARC	604	Germany & Netherlands		\$15,000.00	\$20,160.00
	CARC	604	Spain		\$17,000.00	\$25,000.00
	CARC	685	Germany & Netherlands		\$15,000.00	\$20,160.00
	CARC	685	Japan		\$9,375.00	\$15,000.00
	CARC	685	Spain		\$17,000.00	\$25,000.00
Arts & Sciences	ARAB	301	Morocco	\$25,000.00		
	ARAB	302	Morocco	\$25,000.00		
	ARAB	485	Morocco	\$25,000.00		
	ARAB	491	Morocco	\$25,000.00		
	ATMO	370	Australia	\$15,000.00		
	CHIN	201	Taiwan	\$25,000.00		
	CHIN	202	Taiwan	\$25,000.00		
	CHIN	301	Taiwan	\$25,000.00		
	CHIN	302	Taiwan	\$25,000.00		
	CHIN	489	Taiwan	\$25,000.00		
	COMM	335	Australia	\$15,000.00		
	COMM	340	Australia	\$15,000.00		
	COMM	446	Belize	\$15,000.00		

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
	COMM	485	Australia	\$15,000.00		
	COMM	485	Belize	\$15,000.00		
	COMM	685	Belize	\$15,000.00		
	GEOG	380	Germany & Sweden	\$10,000.00		
	KINE	199-311	Belize	\$15,000.00		
	PBSI	209	Iceland	\$10,000.00		
	PBSI	319	Germany		\$7,850.00	\$15,000.00
	PBSI	360	Germany		\$7,850.00	\$15,000.00
	PBSI	485	Germany		\$7,850.00	\$15,000.00
	PBSI	485	Iceland	\$10,000.00		
	SPAN	221	Spain		\$6,000.00	\$15,000.00
	SPAN	222	Spain		\$6,000.00	\$15,000.00
Education & Human Development	EHRD	489	South Korea	\$10,000.00		
Engineering	BMEN	311	Thailand	\$15,000.00		
	CSCE	412	France	\$10,000.00		
	CVEN	311	Greece	\$15,000.00		
	CVEN	349	Italy	\$15,000.00		
	ECEN	340	Spain	\$15,000.00		
	ECEN	350	Japan	\$15,000.00		
	ECEN	469	Japan	\$15,000.00		
	EVEN	311	Greece	\$15,000.00		
	IDIS	489	Canada	\$15,000.00		
	ISEN	302	France	\$10,000.00		
	ISEN	302	Spain & Portugal	\$10,000.00		
	ISEN	434	Spain	\$15,000.00		
	MEEN	305	France	\$15,000.00		
	MTDE	333	Italy	\$15,000.00		
	MTDE	480	Spain & Belgium	\$15,000.00		
	NUEN	485	Switzerland		\$6,300.00	\$15,000.00
	OCEN	345	Italy		\$10,513.00	\$15,000.00
Mays Business School	FINC	445	Italy		\$5,200.00	\$15,000.00
	FINC	645	Italy		\$5,200.00	\$15,000.00
	IBUS	310	Italy		\$5,200.00	\$15,000.00
	IBUS	401	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
	IBUS	440	Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand	\$10,000.00		
	IBUS	446	Italy		\$5,200.00	\$15,000.00
	IBUS	455	Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand	\$10,000.00		
	IBUS	456	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
	IBUS	645	Italy		\$5,200.00	\$15,000.00
	IBUS	685	Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand	\$10,000.00		
	ISTM	440	Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand	\$10,000.00		
	MKTG	401	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
	VIST	311	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
	VIST	331	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
Global Career Accelerator	UGST	484	Virtual Course	\$1,800.00		
Visualization, Performance & Fine Arts	IBUS	401	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
	IBUS	456	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
	MKTG	401	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
	VIST	311	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		
	VIST	331	Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro	\$15,000.00		

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY- GALVESTON

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Field Trip Fees</u>						
College of Marine Sciences and Maritime Studies	DIVE	410 All Sections	Lake Travis, Blue Lagoon, Huntsville, TX	\$15,106.63		
	DIVE	250-401	TAMUG		\$340.00	\$355.00
	DIVE	250-402	TAMUG		\$340.00	\$355.00
	DIVE	250-403	TAMUG		\$340.00	\$355.00
	DIVE	250-404	TAMUG		\$340.00	\$355.00
	MARB	438-All Sections	Coastal wetlands, dunes and beaches - Upper Texas Coast	\$140.00		
	MARE	200-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00
	MARE	300-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00
	MARE	400-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00
	MARS	330-All Sections	2 trips: 1 to an offshore oil and gas consulting firm and one to the Upper Texas Coast between Freeport and High Island		\$50.00	\$52.50
	MARS	336-All Sections	College Station	\$50.00		
	MARS	430-All Sections	College Station	\$50.00		
	MART	200-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00
	MART	300-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00
	MART	400-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00
	NAUT	200-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00
	NAUT	300-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00
NAUT	400-All Sections	Various ports of call		\$10,833.00	\$7,333.00	

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY- HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Field Trip Fees</u>						
School of Public Health	HBEH	685-550	Greece	\$5,771.40		
	HBEH	689-655	Washington D. C.	\$750.00		
	PHLT	485-550	Greece	\$5,771.40		
	PHLT	489-150	Little Rock, Hot Springs, Bentonville- Arkansas	\$938.85		
<u>Study Abroad</u>						
School of Public Health	PHEO	685	Germany		\$11,250.00	\$15,000.00
	PHLT	470	Germany		\$11,250.00	\$15,000.00
	PHLT	485	Germany		\$11,250.00	\$15,000.00
	SOPH	670	Germany		\$11,250.00	\$15,000.00

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
Arts & Sciences	ENGL/LIBS	3357/3300	United Kingdom	\$2,980.00		

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
Honors	HONR	4390	Italy		\$750.00	\$1,375.00
Art & Design	ARTS	4391	Mexico City	\$1,337.00		
	GRDS	4391	Mexico City	\$1,337.00		
Department of Physical and Environmental Science	GEOL	4650	Merida, Mexico		\$1,650.00	\$1,401.58
	ESCI	5596	Gdansk, Poland	\$1,420.00		
	ESCI	6596	Gdansk, Poland	\$1,420.00		

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees

FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Field Trip Fees</u>						
Geology	GEOL	3409	Various	\$40.00		
	GEOL	3431	Various	\$40.00		
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
Counseling and Guidance	EDCG	5341	Scotland	\$4,140.00		
Business Administration	BUAD	2374	Around the World	\$3,785.00		
Comm Sciences and Disorders	CSDO	5330	Puerto Rico		\$3,965.00	\$2,850.00
Music	MUSI	4309	Austria		\$3,165.00	\$3,350.00
Marketing	MKTG	4395	Germany		\$3,255.00	\$2,960.00
Political Science	POLS	4370	Puerto Rico	\$2,665.00		
Educational Leadership	EDLD	6315	Ireland		\$3,380.00	\$3,204.00
History	HIST	4392	Mexico City		\$2,265.00	\$2,600.00
Veterinary Technology	VETT	4291	Belize	\$3,825.00		
Biology	BIOL	4355	Puerto Rico	\$3,130.00		

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - SAN ANTONIO

Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>				
College of Business	MBA	5358_001	Tokyo / Korea	included in the 11-month MBA Program Fee
	MBA	5358_002	Berlin / Prauge	included in the 11-month MBA Program Fee

WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2025

Department	Course	Course #	Destination	New Fee	Increased (Decreased) Fee	
					From	To
<u>Field Trip Fees</u>						
Agricultural Sciences	AGRI	4094	New Zealand		\$5,425.34	\$6,497.04
	AGRI	7092	New Zealand		\$5,425.34	\$6,497.04
Communications & Agricultural Sciences	AGRI	4094-23	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	AGRI	7092	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	AGRI	4312	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	AGRI	4305	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	PSES	4321	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	MCOM	4300	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	MCOM	5300	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	COMM	4300	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	COMM	5300	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
	AGBE	3301	South Africa		\$4,450.00	\$4,800.00
<u>Study Abroad Fees</u>						
College of Business	ECON	4321 & 5321	Demark, Germany, Sweden		\$4,785.46	\$4,218.72
English, Philosophy & Modern Languages	SPAN	3306-01	Peru	\$4,980.54		
	SPAN	3306-02	Peru	\$4,980.54		
College of Engineering	MENG	4097	Thailand	\$3,468.39		
	CENG	4097	Thailand	\$3,468.39		
	EVEG	4097	Thailand	\$3,468.39		
	EENG	4097	Thailand	\$3,468.39		
	CS	4097	Thailand	\$3,468.39		

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees
FY 2025

The following System Members submitted no new or amended Field Trip/Study Abroad Program Fees:

Texas A&M University - Texarkana
Texas A&M University - Victoria

- (a) establishes a systemwide information technology (IT) vision that supports member missions and goals;
- (b) reduces non-productive redundancy across the system;
- (c) when in the best interest of the system, and strategic objectives of the member(s), consolidates resources including networks, hardware, systems and applications;
- (d) improves the security of the system's technology infrastructure; and
- (e) determines the appropriate thresholds for delegating purchasing authority for member information resources to member CEOs.

2. USE OF SYSTEM INFORMATION RESOURCES

2.1 Each user of system information resources is responsible for using those system information resources in accordance with the guidelines established by the Texas Department of Information Resources, the Texas Ethics Commission, and System Policy 07.01, *Ethics*. Accordingly, each user must:

- (a) use information resources for officially authorized business purposes, with an exception for incidental use as allowed in accordance with System Policy 33.04, *Use of System Resources*;
- (b) promptly disclose fraud, waste or abuse in accordance with System Policy 10.02, *Fraud Prevention*;
- (c) adhere to all laws, regulations and policies that refer to the use of information resources; and
- (d) endeavor to avoid any actions that would create the appearance that the user is violating the law or the system's ethical standards.

2.2 There is no expectation of privacy when using system information resources beyond that which is expressly provided by applicable privacy laws. Information created, stored or transmitted on system information resources may be subject to disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act or through legal or administrative proceedings. While the system does not routinely monitor individual usage of system information resources, members have the right to examine information created, stored or transmitted on system information resources for general business purposes, including but not limited to the normal operation and maintenance of such resources.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

[Tex. Educ. Code § 51.9335, *Acquisition of Goods and Services*](#)

[Tex. Gov't Code Ch. 2054, *Information Resources*](#)

[Tex. Gov't Code Ch. 2063, Texas Cyber Command](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 206, State Websites](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 207, Telecommunications Services](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 209, Minimum Standards for Meetings Held by Videoconference](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 211, Information Resources Managers](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 213, Electronic and Information Resources](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 215, Statewide Technology Centers](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 216, Project Management Practices](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 217, Procurement of Information Resources](#)

[System Policy 10.02, Fraud Prevention](#)

[System Policy 29.02, Information Security](#)

[System Policy 33.04, Use of System Resources](#)

[System Regulation 29.01.01, Information Resources Governance](#)

[System Regulation 29.01.04, Accessibility of Electronic Information Resources](#)

[System Regulation 29.02.01, Information Security Governance](#)

[System Regulation 33.04.02, Use of Telecommunication Services](#)

Member Rule Requirements

A rule is required to supplement this policy. See Sections 1.1 and 1.2.

Contact Office

Information Technology
(979) 458-6450

29.02 Information Security

Approved February 5, 2026 (MO XX-2026)
Next Scheduled Review: February 5, 2031



Policy Summary

The Board of Regents (board) of The Texas A&M University System (system) regards cyber and information security as vital to fulfilling the mission of the system. The system chief information security officer (SCISO) is responsible for coordinating the system's cyber and information security, including ensuring, in consultation with each member chief executive officer (CEO), the confidentiality, integrity and availability of system members' (member) information resources.

References to system information and information resources in this policy applies equally to System Offices-owned and member-owned information and information resources.

Policy

1. In accordance with Chapter 2063, Texas Government Code, the system maintains an information security program that facilitates the protection of system information resources and operations. The System Office of Cybersecurity (OCS) establishes the governance framework, policy requirements, and standards for managing the security of system information resources.
2. While information security and privacy are independent disciplines, both are closely related, therefore it is essential for the system to take a coordinated approach in identifying and managing risks. OCS provides oversight on the system information security program while the System Office of Ethics & Compliance and member privacy officers, in coordination with OCS, serves as the central authority for privacy within the system.
3. OCS serves as the central focal point and enforces system-wide information security management while providing oversight on the implementation of State of Texas (state) cyber and information security requirements. To strengthen the system's information security posture, OCS and members must continue collaborating to support the business functions of the system.
4. The system information security program defines goals for and delegates information security responsibility to the members. These goals represent baseline expectations for the system's information security posture, taking into consideration the respective business needs and missions of each member. The adoption of a system common controls program and enterprise security architecture will result in more efficient and effective implementation of security requirements.

5. The system information security governance framework serves as the foundation for the information security program. This policy and associated regulations, information security controls matrix (ISCM), standards, and guidelines collectively provide flexibility for the information security program to adapt to evolving threats and effectively manage risks. This framework includes:
 - 5.1 **Regulations** as the primary mechanism to enforce information security requirements and define roles and responsibilities.
 - 5.2 **ISCM** to supplement policy and regulations by identifying organizationally defined control parameters, in accordance with Title 1, Texas Administrative Code, Section 202.76 and the Texas Security Control Standards Catalog.
 - 5.3 **Standards** based on the ISCM with specific technical requirements for information security.
 - 5.4 **Guidelines** to guide the implementation of processes in support of the policy, regulation, and standards.
6. The concepts found within the [Texas Cybersecurity Framework](#) (TCF), [NIST Risk Management Framework](#) (RMF), and [NIST Special Publication \(SP\) 800-37 Revision 2](#), *Risk Management Framework for Information Systems and Organizations: A System Life Cycle Approach for Security and Privacy*, comprise the basis for the system's information security program. The information security program provides a formal, structured approach for developing risk assessments for information resources and provides a uniform standard for evaluating security risks to information resources operating by or on behalf of the system. The primary focus of this approach must be on the information resource's business purpose, not on the specific IT resource. The effective management of risks is essential to protecting the information and information resources that enable the system's critical mission.
7. The system should embrace a forward-leaning enterprise security architecture which entails transitioning away from legacy systems and adopting modern and emerging technologies. Members must collaborate with OCS to reduce the system's legacy IT footprint, evaluate emerging technologies, and assess opportunities for integration to achieve enterprise solutions whenever possible.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

[Texas Government Code Ch. 2063, Texas Cyber Command](#)

[Title 1, Texas Administrative Code Ch. 202, Subch. C, Information Security Standards for Institutions of Higher Education](#)

[System Policy 02.04, System Members of The Texas A&M University System](#)

[System Policy 24.01, Risk Management](#)

[System Policy 29.01, *Information Resources*](#)

System Regulation 29.02.01, *Information Security Governance* (in progress)

Member Rule Requirements

A rule is not required to supplement this policy.

Contact Office

Cybersecurity
(979) 234-0030

EXHIBIT

**THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
CONFIRMATION OF EMERITUS TITLES
EMERITUS TITLE LIST NO. 26-02**

System Member Honoree	Years of Service	Current Rank	Title Conferred	Effective Date
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EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Dr. Benton H. Pierce	20	Professor	Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Special Education	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

Dr. John Calahan	50	Professor	Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Mr. Juan J. Castillo	17	Vice President for Finance and Administration	Vice President Emeritus for Finance and Administration	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

¹ Ms. Susan Ayres	12	Professor	Professor Emerita of Law	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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² Dr. Everett Murl Bailey, Jr.	55	Senior Professor	Professor Emeritus of Veterinary Physiology & Pharmacology	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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Dr. Elaine L. Demps	12	Director of Instructional Design and Support Services	Director of Instructional Design and Support Services Emerita	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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Dr. Gary D. Ellis	18	Professor	Professor Emeritus of Agricultural Leadership, Education, & Communications	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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EXHIBIT

The Texas A&M University System
Appointed and Commissioned Peace Officers

UNIVERSITY		
Officer's Name	Title	Hire Date
EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY		
Jennifer L. Jongsma	Peace Officer	12/15/2025
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY		
Patrick Arnett	Peace Officer	09/22/2025
Faladrick Brown	Peace Officer	09/24/2025
James Canales	Peace Officer	12/08/2025
Alberto Casarez	Peace Officer	09/22/2025
Johnnie Freeman	Peace Officer	12/08/2025
Devin Nguyen	Peace Officer	10/01/2025
Lloyd Powell	Peace Officer	09/15/2025
Angelis Sanoguel	Peace Officer	11/17/2025
Shelia Wilson-Herrera	Peace Officer	11/10/2025
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY		
Gregory Neal	Peace Officer	11/04/2025
James Wilsey	Peace Officer	12/17/2025
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY		
Travis Brewster	Peace Officer	12/05/2025
Clifford Chambers IV	Peace Officer	12/05/2025
James Chang	Peace Officer	12/05/2025
Shawnee Vaughn	Peace Officer	12/05/2025
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS		
Joseph Gallegos	Peace Officer	09/15/2025

System Member Honoree	Years of Service	Current Rank	Title Conferred	Effective Date
Dr. Andreas K. Kronenberg	40	Professor	Professor Emeritus of Geology & Geophysics	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Dr. Julian L. Leibowitz	30	Professor	Professor Emeritus of Microbial Pathogenesis & Immunology	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
³ Dr. Arnold LeUnes	60	Senior Professor	Professor Emeritus of Psychological & Brain Sciences	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Dr. Carol Loopstra	31	Associate Professor	Associate Professor Emerita of Ecology & Conservation Biology	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Mr. Tom Reber	43	Executive Associate Vice President	Executive Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Emeritus	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Dr. James G. Ryan	35	Professor	Professor Emeritus of Maritime Studies	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Dr. Emet D. Schneiderman	37	Professor	Professor Emeritus of Biomedical Sciences	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Dr. Vijay P. Singh	19	Regents Professor	Regents Professor Emeritus and ⁴ University Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Biological & Agricultural Engineering	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Dr. Van G. Wilson	42	Professor	Professor Emeritus of Microbial Pathogenesis & Immunology	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement

System Member Honoree	Years of Service	Current Rank	Title Conferred	Effective Date
Dr. Kirk Owen Winemiller	34	Regents Professor	Regents Professor Emeritus and ⁴ University Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Ecology & Conservation Biology	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
⁵ Dr. Thomas M. Woodfin	29	Executive Professor	Associate Professor Emeritus of Landscape Architecture & Urban Planning	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Dr. Ping Xiang	29	Professor	Professor Emerita of Kinesiology & Sports Management	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement

¹ School of Law faculty were transferred from Texas Wesleyan University to Texas A&M University at the time of acquisition in 2013. Years of Service reflects years at Texas A&M from the time of acquisition until retirement.

² Dr. Everett Murl Bailey, Jr. served as Assistant Professor (1970-1974), Associate Professor (1974-1980), and Professor (1981-2021). Dr. Bailey transitioned to a non-tenure track Senior Professor position, serving in that role from 2021 until his retirement in 2025 from Texas A&M University.

³ Dr. Arnold LeUnes served as Instructor (1966-1969), Assistant Professor (1969-1975), Associate Professor (1975-1991), Professor (1991-2017), before transitioning to a Senior Professor position (2017-2019). Following his retirement in 2019, Dr. LeUnes was subsequently rehired as Senior Professor, serving in that role from 2019 until 2025.

⁴ The University Distinguished Professor program began in 2011 and is currently the highest achievement a Texas A&M University faculty member can earn. This honorary title is bestowed in perpetuity, as long as the faculty member remains in good standing. University Distinguished Professors are preeminent authorities in their academic disciplines, and their accomplishments are exemplified by outstanding teaching, research, mentoring, and service. From 1984 through 2011, the university promoted select and outstanding faculty members to the rank of Distinguished Professor. The two titles are not interchangeable but represent different programs to honor faculty for their sustained positive impact on campus, their academic specialties and the world.

⁵ Dr. Thomas M. Woodfin served as Visiting Assistant Professor (1987-1988), Lecturer (1988), Assistant Professor (1988-1994), and Associate Professor (1994-2010), retiring from Texas A&M University in December 2010. He was later rehired as Executive Professor, serving in that role from 2019-2025.

System Member Honoree	Years of Service	Current Rank	Title Conferred	Effective Date
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TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

Dr. Al B. Wagner	49	Professor and AgriLife Extension Specialist	Professor and AgriLife Extension Specialist Department of Horticultural Sciences Emeritus	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
Ms. Donna Alexander	31	Assistant Agency Director and Chief Financial Officer	Assistant Agency Director and Chief Financial Officer Emeritus	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OFFICES

Maria L. Robinson	28	Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer	Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer Emeritus	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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TEXAS A&M VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

Dr. Martin Ficken	16	Resident Director	Resident Director Emeritus	Upon Approval by the Board and the Honoree's Retirement
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**EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
BACKGROUND OF FACULTY
RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE
TENURE LIST NO. 26-02**

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. Fabio Ambrosio	Professor Law (Tax)	0	11	Upon Approval by the Board
Ph.D. (2020)	University of Washington			
Fa 2013 – Sp 2017 Fa 2017 – Sp 2024 Fa 2025 – Present	Pacific Lutheran University Central Washington University East Texas A&M University	Assistant Professor Associate Professor Professor		

Dr. Ambrosio has had a successful academic career. His career has included exceptional performance as a teacher, researcher, and servant leader. He has excelled in both large and small classes and taught online and face-to-face. East Texas A&M University does not currently have any full professors in accounting which creates a void in mentoring our more junior faculty. As a former Research Professor at University of South Carolina Aiken, his experience will bring valuable experience to the team. Dr. Fabio Ambrosio is an extensively credentialed accounting scholar and teacher. He has taught graduate and undergraduate accounting for more than 12 years. Additionally, the breadth and depth of his teaching experience are noteworthy. He is licensed in Tax Law. He holds accounting credentials as a Certified Public Accountant, a Certified Fraud Examiner, IRS Enrolled Agent, and a Chartered Global Management Accountant.

Additionally, he is a Certified Financial Planner, a Master Analyst in Financial Forensics, and a Certified Valuation Analyst. His degrees and industry credentials provide him with the breadth of knowledge desirable for a full professor. He is an internationally recognized tax scholar with a strong research record supportive of being a professor at an R2 research institution. He has served a vital role in securing reaffirmations of accreditation and degree program management. He brings vita experience and knowledge in Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business accreditation standards. His service has spanned curriculum development, personnel, and budget. He has supported the faculty in his roles on faculty senate.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Ambrosio has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. Atefeh Yazdanparast Ardestani	Marketing	0	13	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
BACKGROUND OF FACULTY
RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE
TENURE LIST NO. 26-02**

NARESH K. VASHISHT COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. Gillian Bartlett-Esquilant	Professor Primary Care & Rural Medicine	1	>15	Upon Approval by the Board
Ph.D. (2001)	McGill University			
Su 2009 – Fa 2016	McGill University		Associate Professor (Tenured 2014)	
Fa 2016 – Su 2022	McGill University		Professor	
Fa 2020 – Fa 2024	University of Missouri		Professor (Tenured 2020)	
Fa 2024 – Present	Texas A&M University		Professor	

Dr. Gillian Bartlett-Esquilant earned a Ph.D. in Epidemiology from McGill University in 2001. Dr. Bartlett-Esquilant joined the Department of Primary Care & Rural Medicine at Texas A&M University in 2024 as a professor. She is a recognized leader in academic administration and health research. She previously served as a tenured professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at the University of Missouri where she was the inaugural associate dean for graduate research education and founded the Translational Biosciences Ph.D. program. She also chaired the Working Party for the Patient-Reported Indicator Surveys Project with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, involving 22 countries over a three-year term. Before this, she was a faculty member at McGill University in the Department of Family Medicine where she served as a tenured professor, a tenured associate professor and a tenure track associate professor, along with a number of administrative appointments including research director and graduate program director. Dr. Bartlett-Esquilant's research focuses on translational approaches to improve primary care and optimizing medication use, particularly for populations not represented in clinical trials. She has published over 116 peer-reviewed articles, has an H-index of 39, and her work has been cited more than 15,000 times. She has secured over \$25 million Canadian dollars in direct research grants and close to \$10 million U.S. dollars in additional support, including \$7.5 million from the National Institutes of Health's All of Us program (2023), for which she served as Missouri's principal investigator. Her mentorship has guided 22 master's graduates, 10 doctoral students and four postdoctoral fellows, many of whom were co-authors on her over 116 peer-reviewed articles. Dr. Gillian Bartlett-Esquilant's commitment to fostering academic excellence was recognized with the Distinguished Research Mentor Award by North American Primary Care Research Group in 2022.

Dr. Bartlett-Esquilant's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards</u> <u>Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date</u> <u>Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. Sushmitha S. Durgam	Associate Professor Large Animal Clinical Sciences	0	9	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
BVSc (2007) Ph.D. (2016)	Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, India University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign			
Fa 2016 – Su 2022	The Ohio State University	Assistant Professor		
Su 2022 – Fa 2025	The Ohio State University	Associate Professor (Tenured 2022)		
Fa 2025 – Present	Texas A&M University	Associate Professor		

Dr. Sushmitha S. Durgam earned a BVSc in Veterinary Science from Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, India, in 2007 and a Ph.D. in Veterinary Clinical Medicine from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in 2016. Dr. Durgam joined the Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences at Texas A&M University in 2025 as an associate professor. She is an equine orthopedic surgeon and a translational tendon- and stem cell-focused researcher. She has authored 49 peer-reviewed articles and 93 conference papers and to date has secured over \$2 million in research funding from intra- and extramural funding agencies, including veterinary and philanthropic foundations, the National Institutes of Health, and industry sponsors. Dr. Durgam has served as principal investigator on the majority of these cross-disciplinary research grants with collaborators in clinical orthopedic surgery, sports medicine and rehabilitation, and biomedical engineering. At The Ohio State University, Dr. Durgam served as thesis advisor for seven master's students, research mentor for five veterinary professional students, and primary advisor for two postdoctoral researchers. Her trainees have been successful in further securing academic faculty and industry positions and positions as clinical associate veterinarians. Dr. Durgam is an active member of AO VET North America, where she currently serves as research committee chair. Her didactic teaching at The Ohio State University spanned undergraduate, veterinary, and graduate curricula, with a focus on musculoskeletal development and pathophysiology, as well as regenerative and biologic therapies to enhance healing. Taken together, Dr. Durgam's commitment to academia, veterinary clinical medicine, and translational research strives toward the synergistic advancement of clinical orthopedic medicine and biomedical science.

Dr. Durgam's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

Dr. Bonnie Robin Rush	Professor Large Animal Clinical Sciences	0	>15	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
DVM (1989)	The Ohio State University			
Fa 1993 – Sp 1998	Kansas State University	Assistant Professor		
Fa 1998 – Su 2002	Kansas State University	Associate Professor (Tenured 1998)		
Fa 2002 – Su 2025	Kansas State University	Professor		
Su 2025 – Present	Texas A&M University	Professor		

Dr. Bonnie Robin Rush earned a DVM from The Ohio State University in 1989. Dr. Rush joined Texas A&M University in 2025 as the Carl B. King Dean of Veterinary Medicine and as a professor in the Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences. Dr. Rush is a nationally recognized leader in veterinary medicine and education. A Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine, she has authored over 110 journal articles, 30 book chapters, and a textbook. She began her academic career at Kansas State University in 1993, where she gained international recognition for her work on equine respiratory diseases. Over the next three decades she held multiple leadership roles, including department head, teaching hospital director, executive associate dean, and dean. As the Hodes Family Dean (2017–2025), she advanced veterinary education, student wellness, faculty development, and clinical outreach. She launched certificate programs, expanded shelter medicine rotations, and established a donor-funded student wellness initiative that has since become a national model. Dr. Rush also serves as president and board chair of the American Association of Veterinary Medical Colleges, shaping the future of veterinary education. Her numerous awards reflect her impact on teaching, research, and service.

Dr. Rush’s file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING MEDICINE

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards</u> <u>Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date</u> <u>Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. Ashutosh Agrawal	Professor Engineering Medicine	0	14	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
Ph.D. (2008)	University of California, Berkeley			
Su 2011 – Su 2017	University of Houston	Assistant Professor		
Fa 2017 – Sp 2025	University of Houston	Associate Professor (Tenured 2017)		
Sp 2025 – Present	Texas A&M University	Professor		

Dr. Ashutosh Agrawal earned a Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley in 2008. Dr. Agrawal joined the School of Engineering Medicine at Texas A&M University in 2025 as a professor. Dr. Agrawal’s background spans civil engineering, neuroscience, and materials science. Dr. Agrawal leads *Life at the Interface*, a research group that explores engineering principles at the intersection of mechanics, geometry, and electrostatics in both biological cells and synthetic materials. His research has been supported by over \$3 million in funding from various sources. His work spans a wide range of topics – from studying lipid-protein interactions in neurons to designing biomimetic, two-dimensional topological materials for various engineering applications. Dr. Agrawal’s research connects fundamental science with real-world application – work that reflects the School of Engineering Medicine’s mission to train a new kind of medical professional: the *physicianeer*. Beyond the laboratory, Dr. Agrawal is passionate about education and the holistic development of young minds. Together with his son, he co-founded Grow Wildflowers, a nonprofit organization that encourages curiosity, environmental awareness, and educational engagement among young learners.

Dr. Agrawal’s file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

* Each university determines, through a review process, the number of years each faculty member will be awarded towards tenure based on his/her dossier.

Ph.D. (2012)	The University of North Texas	
Fa 2012 – Sp 2018 Fa 2018 – Sp 2020 Fa 2020 – Fa 2025 Sp 2026	University of Evansville University of Evansville Clark University East Texas A&M University	Assistant Professor Associate Professor (Tenured 2018) Associate Professor Professor

Dr. Yazdanparast Ardestani has demonstrated strong skills and abilities in teaching, research, and service. Her past performance supports an appointment as a full professor with tenure. She has proven herself to be a highly successful leader within her discipline and at universities. She has been awarded two leadership awards. Dr. Yazdanparast Ardestani has maintained a very strong research record spanning 15 years. Her successful research indicates her ability to support the university's maintenance of R2 status and helps to continue to strengthen the university's research portfolio. She will be an excellent faculty mentor for her department. She has published 35 academic research articles, with 15 in the past five years. Her research routinely appears in respected journals. She has developed a strong pipeline of work in progress. She has received seven research awards. Additionally, she has been successful in securing grants. She has obtained nine total grants, with three research development grants.

Dr. Yazdanparast Ardestani has strong teaching skills. She has a very extensive knowledge of current business trends and skills needed in industry. She will be able to help the faculty modernize the curriculum and prepare students for their future careers. She has been honored with six teaching awards. She has continuously improved her skills by gaining current relevant business knowledge through training and certifications. Dr. Yazdanparast Ardestani has been a tireless contributor of service to the universities where she has been and to her academic discipline. She has been awarded five service awards.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Yazdanparast Ardestani has behaved in a professional manner across her career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards</u> <u>Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date</u> <u>Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. Syed Zaidi	Professor Accounting	0	13	Upon Approval by the Board
Ph.D. (2012)	The University of Texas at El Paso			
Fa 2012 – Sp 2015 Fa 2015 – Sp 2016 Fa 2016 – Sp 2018 Fa 2018 – Sp 2019 Fa 2019 – Sp 2022 Fa 2022 – Sp 2025 Fa 2025 – Present	California State University San Marcos Midwestern State University California State University San Marcos California State University San Marcos Louisiana State University Louisiana State University East Texas A&M University	Assistant Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor Associate Professor (Tenured 2018) Associate Professor Professor (Tenured 2022) Professor		

Dr. Zaidi has had a successful academic career spanning more than a decade. His commitment to teaching, research, and service are strong indicators to support full professor and tenure. East Texas A&M University does not currently have any full professors in accounting, which creates a void in mentoring our more junior faculty. As a former full professor at Louisiana State University Shreveport, his background will bring valuable experience to the team. Dr. Zaidi was previously awarded an endowed professorship. He has been a consistent developer of new courses and new course content for both the graduate and undergraduate curricula. Additionally, he has taught more than a dozen different classes.

Dr. Zaidi holds several industry credentials in addition to his PhD. He is a Certified Management Accountant and a Financial and Management Accounting Associate. He brings strong technical skills to his accounting knowledge, helping to strengthen the university's STEM positioning in accounting. He is a Certified Scrum Master and a Professional Scrum Master. He is also a Certified Fraud Examiner and holds an Intuit credential in Federal Tax. These industry-recognized credentials bring depth to our programs.

Dr. Zaidi has maintained a steady research record. His successful research indicates his ability to support the university's maintenance of R2 status. He will be able to effectively mentor junior faculty. These are important skills for a tenured full professor.

He has served in support of his discipline with positions as Director, Vice President, Program Chair, and Executive Committee member. He has held important university leadership roles, including Department Chair and Interim Associate Dean.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Zaidi has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards</u> <u>Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date</u> <u>Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. Ricardo Teixeira	Professor Mathematics	0	12	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
Ph.D. (2010)	The University of Texas at Austin			
Fa 2013 – Sp 2019 Fa 2011 – Sp 2015 Sp 2026	University of Houston - Victoria University of Memphis East Texas A&M University	Assistant Professor Associate Professor Professor		

Dr. Ricardo Teixeira's career as a mathematician spans more than 20 years in higher education, during which he has built an exemplary record of quality teaching, impactful research, and distinguished service. His contributions have earned him tenure and promotion to the rank of Full Professor within the University of Houston System.

His teaching record is particularly noteworthy, with 39 distinct undergraduate and graduate courses taught across Mathematics and Physics, serving both majors and non-majors. He has developed or redesigned 17 courses and supervised two master's theses. In research, Dr. Teixeira has produced more than 20 peer-reviewed

journal publications, delivered over 30 presentations at conferences and seminars, and authored four textbooks. Notably, his book *Mathemagics: A Magical Journey Through Advanced Mathematics – Connecting More Than 60 Magic Tricks to High-Level Math* was recognized by BookAuthority.org as one of the top 20 books on advanced linear algebra and listed by WorldScientific.com among the top 10 bestsellers in mathematics in 2020, alongside works by internationally renowned scholars.

Dr. Teixeira's service record is equally strong. He has served on numerous institutional committees, chaired both standing and ad hoc committees, delivered public presentations in his area of expertise, actively participated in professional societies, reviewed submissions for academic journals, and engaged broadly in service to his profession and community. Given the depth and breadth of his accomplishments in teaching, research, and service, strong support is warranted for Dr. Teixeira's tenure and promotion to Full Professor at East Texas A&M University.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Teixeira has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

EXHIBIT

**FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE LIST
FY 2027
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Name/ Title/ Department	Years of Texas A&M Tenured, Tenure- Track Service	Semester of Leave	Location, Brief Description of Leave and Benefit to University
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES			
Gary Wingenbach Professor Agricultural Leadership, Education & Communications	24	Fall 2026	Dr. Wingenbach's leave will take place at the University of Chile in Santiago, Chile. He will begin a six-month U.S. Fulbright Scholar research program in collaboration with University of Chile faculty to explore how social and psychological dynamics influence smallholder farmers' adoption of agricultural innovations. This collaboration will deepen understanding of innovation adoption processes among smallholder farmers and inform the planning and deployment strategies of both Chilean and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension programs – ultimately enhancing extension efforts across Latin America and Texas.
Zhihong Xu Associate Professor Agricultural Leadership, Education & Communications	5	Spring 2027	Dr. Xu's leave will take place at Atlantic Technological University in Letterkenny, Ireland, Ehime University in Matsuyama, Japan, and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. She will collaborate with faculty in health and nutritional sciences and science education to advance her research on upcycled food, waste, and sustainability. By integrating her social science expertise with the work of food scientists and sustainability researchers, she will develop a collaborative program focused on consumer acceptance of upcycled food and communication strategies to encourage its adoption. This leave will strengthen her research agenda and elevate Texas A&M's international presence in sustainable food systems.

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO NEGOTIATE
AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS \$500,000 OR MORE
CONTRACT LIST NO. 26-02**

University Unit	Contracting Party	Total Consideration	Contract Term	New or Renewal	Purpose of Contract/Summary of Statement of Work	Strategic Imperative
Texas A&M Maritime Academy	Maine Maritime Academy	\$3,478,200	Upon execution through August 31, 2026	New	While the Texas A&M Maritime Academy (TAMMA) is awaiting the arrival of the new training ship from the U.S. government, this Agreement will allow for 25 TAMMA faculty and staff to provide the required training time at sea for approximately 250 TAMMA cadets to complete their training requirements for the U.S. Coast Guard on board the Maine Maritime Academy training ship during the summer 2026. The funding for this training experience will come from a combination of student fees, State of Texas support, and federal reimbursement for being a public maritime academy approved to provide training for the Merchant Mariner License Option Program issued by the U.S. Coast Guard.	Approval of this agenda item will advance The Texas A&M University System (A&M System) strategic imperatives 2 and 3. Specifically, this Agreement will a) allow TAMMA cadets to complete their summer at sea training requirements at the same costs as it would be on a TAMMA training ship in support of imperative 2; b) allow TAMMA cadets to stay on track with graduation and avoid an extra year of expenses if they have to wait for the new TAMMA training ship to be delivered in support of imperatives 2 and 3; and c) allow for TAMMA cadets to engage in U.S. Coast Guard required hands-on experience in ship navigation, safety, security, marine engineering systems, and maintenance, while equipping cadets with the career readiness to immediately enter into the maritime workforce upon graduation, in support of imperative 3.

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Texas A&M Undergraduate Recruitment and Outreach	College Advising Corps	\$1,545,310 (Revenue - \$1,116,400 to Texas A&M and \$428,910 for education awards)	1 Year	Renewal	The agreement will provide continued funding to the Texas A&M Partner Program with College Advising Corps for FY 2026. Texas A&M will place 58 recent graduates as College Advisers with underserved high schools with the goal of providing guidance and encouragement to high school students in navigating the college admissions process.	Approval of this agenda item will advance A&M System strategic imperatives 1, 3 and 6. Specifically, this agenda item will allow: a) qualified students to find a place in the A&M System and have an array of pathways to pursue their ambitions and interests in support of imperative 1; b) students to leave the A&M System as responsible and engaged citizens prepared for successful careers in an increasingly global economy in support of imperative 3; and c) the A&M System, in adhering to the high standard of excellence and growth, to display prudent financial stewardship and sustainability in support of imperative 6.
Texas A&M University Health Science Center / Naresh K. Vashisht College of Medicine	Aledade, Inc.	\$600,000	5 years	New	The Texas A&M University Health Science Center (TAMHSC) and Naresh K. Vashisht College of Medicine's (VCOM) Texas A&M Family Care Clinic will engage with Aledade, Inc., to form an Accountable Care Organization (ACO) in the Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP). MSSP ACOs are groups of healthcare providers who collaborate to give coordinated high-quality care to people with Medicare, focusing on delivering the right care at the right	Approval of this agenda item will advance A&M System strategic imperatives 1, 5 and 8. More specifically, it will: a) enable VCOM to train residents in value-based primary care, strengthening their competitiveness within the evolving healthcare sector in support of imperative 1; b) by delivering high-quality care and minimizing unnecessary healthcare services, VCOM

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					time, while avoiding unnecessary services and medical errors. When an ACO succeeds in both delivering high-quality care and spending healthcare dollars more wisely, the ACO may be eligible to share in the savings it achieves for Medicare through performance payments from Medicare. Aledade, Inc., the nation's largest network of independent primary care, manages over 200 value-based contracts, including in the MSSP, and has successfully earned performance payments for ACOs by reducing costs to Medicare. Analysis of the Texas A&M Family Care Clinic has identified avoidable healthcare spend for Medicare beneficiaries. Through this ACO partnership, Aledade will submit an ACO application to begin participation in the MSSP in the summer of 2027. If approved, Texas A&M Family Care Clinic will work with Aledade to reduce healthcare costs of Medicare beneficiaries. If savings are achieved, Medicare will allow the Aledade/Texas A&M Family Care Clinic ACO to share a portion of those savings through performance payments. Preliminary data analysis estimates potential payments of up to \$600,000 for Texas A&M Family Care Clinic over the five-year contract period.	patient out-of-pocket expenses will be reduced in support of imperative 5; and c) the partnership will establish a new revenue stream for the VCOM Texas A&M Health Family Care clinic through the MSSP in support of imperative 8.

University Unit	Contracting Party	Total Consideration	Contract Term	New or Renewal	Purpose of Contract/Summary of Statement of Work	Strategic Imperative
Texas A&M University Health Science Center / Naresh K. Vashisht College of Medicine	Brazos Valley Community Action Agency, Inc; DBA HealthPoint	\$1,300,000 (Revenue)	3 years	Renewal	This agreement will extend the collaboration between VCOM and HealthPoint to establish a rural track family medicine residency program in Bryan and Madisonville, Texas. Under this agreement, VCOM will employ the physician faculty and residents, HealthPoint will provide the clinic, staff, and equipment to care for patients within the HealthPoint Madisonville clinic. HealthPoint will compensate VCOM for the physician and residents time at Fair Market Value. The three-year residency will begin with the first year at St. Joseph Regional Hospital in Bryan, followed by two years in Madisonville. Clinic rotations will occur at the HealthPoint Madisonville clinic, and hospital rotations will take place at St. Joseph Health Madison Hospital. The program will admit two residents annually.	Approval of this agenda item will advance A&M System strategic imperatives 1, 5, and 8. More specifically, it will: a) Expand the ability of VCOM to educate residents in primary care, with a specific focus on rural healthcare in support of imperative 1; b) Graduates will be equipped to practice comprehensive family medicine in rural Texas, a highly valued skill among rural health systems. Additionally, the creation of a high-quality rural residency family medicine program will contribute to the workforce development for rural Texas in support of imperative 5; and c) This initiative creates a new revenue stream, supporting VCOM's continuing education of medical residents, in support of imperative 8.
Texas A&M University Health Science Center / Naresh K. Vashisht College of Medicine	Brazos Valley Community Action Agency, Inc; DBA HealthPoint	\$750,000 (Revenue)	3 years	Renewal	This agreement will extend VCOM's partnership with HealthPoint to supply Family Medicine residency faculty physicians with obstetrics training to the HealthPoint Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) clinic in Bryan, Texas. Under the agreement, HealthPoint will compensate VCOM at Fair Market	Approval of this agenda item will advance A&M System strategic imperatives 1, 5 and 8. More specifically, it will: a) strengthen VCOM's ability to provide the necessary clinical volume needed by residents for training in Family Medicine with Obstetrics in support of

University Unit	Contracting Party	Total Consideration	Contract Term	New or Renewal	Purpose of Contract/Summary of Statement of Work	Strategic Imperative
					Value (FMV) for physician time and will provide the necessary clinic space, support staff, and equipment. Under this agreement, the faculty physicians provided by VCOM will have the opportunity to continue to train residents within HealthPoint under the Academic Affiliation agreement.	imperative 1; b) graduates will possess vital skills in Family Medicine with Obstetrics, a specialty in high demand in rural Texas due to Texas's ongoing population growth in support of imperative 5; and c) this initiative strengthens a revenue stream, supporting VCOM's continuing education of medical residents in support of imperative 8.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES (continued)			
Luis Tedeschi Professor Animal Science	20	Fall 2026	Dr. Tedeschi's leave will take place at the University of São Paulo in Piracicaba, Brazil, and the University of Sassari in Sassari, Italy. He will develop an advanced computer model to improve the efficiency of feedlot beef cattle production by integrating artificial intelligence into existing mechanistic nutrition models. This work will advance his research program in predictive modeling and enrich his teaching through artificial intelligence-based tools, resulting in enhanced academic offerings and a more modern curriculum. These developments will help attract graduate students and external funding in data-intensive animal science research.
Sarah White-Springer Associate Professor Animal Science	9	Spring 2027	Dr. White-Springer's leave will take place at the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, Arkansas, and Virginia Tech University in Blacksburg, Virginia. During her leave, she will collaborate with renowned scientists in the field of skeletal muscle physiology – each with active National Institutes of Health and/or United States Department of Agriculture funding – to learn cutting-edge technologies and identify intersections between her expertise and the governmental research priorities. The proposed leave will expand Dr. White-Springer's research enterprise, strengthen federal support for her program, and enrich the academic experiences of students under her mentorship.
Janie Moore Associate Professor Biological & Agricultural Engineering	8	Fall 2026	Dr. Moore's leave will take place at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio and in Houston, Texas. During her leave, she will collaborate in person with a nationally recognized engineering education fellow and engage virtually with engineering education faculty to develop research ideas focused on student persistence and stewardship in biological and agricultural engineering, with particular emphasis on competitive grant proposal development. The leave will enable Dr. Moore to strengthen her externally funded research program, enhance student success initiatives within the Department of Biological & Agricultural Engineering, and elevate Texas A&M's national visibility in engineering education innovation.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES (continued)			
Tatyana Igumenova Professor Biochemistry/Biophysics	18	Fall 2026	Dr. Igumenova's leave will take place at the Medical Research Council Laboratory of Molecular Biology in Cambridge, United Kingdom. She will collaborate with Professor Roger Williams to gain expertise in hydrogen-deuterium exchange mass spectrometry and single-particle electron cryo-microscopy, applied to protein-membrane systems. These technologies will strengthen her research program, support new grant proposals, enhance student training in biophysics, and increase the international visibility of multidisciplinary research at Texas A&M.
Paul Straight Associate Professor Biochemistry/Biophysics	18	Spring 2027	Dr. Straight's leave will take place in Glasgow, Scotland, where he will collaborate with Professor Paul Hoskisson, a leading expert in Streptomyces secondary metabolism, and Dr. Lorena Fernandez-Martinez, a specialist in Streptomyces genetics and advanced genetic screening technologies. The project will focus on developing methods to elicit secondary metabolites from Streptomyces and identifying the genetic pathways responsible for their biosynthesis. This leave will enhance the capabilities of the Straight Lab at Texas A&M in downstream genetic identification and metabolic engineering of antibiotic-producing strains, thereby strengthening Texas A&M's leadership and visibility in microbial biotechnology and antibiotic discovery.
Cecilia Tamborindeguy Professor Entomology	18	Spring 2027	Dr. Tamborindeguy will spend her leave at the Colmar National Research Institute for Agriculture, Food and Environment in Colmar, France, and the University of Strasbourg in Strasbourg, France. During her leave, she will collaborate with faculty in the Joint Research Unit for Grapevine Health, collect data on aphid-mediated virus transmission, and co-develop a research proposal on vector biology with Dr. Veronique Brault, a world-renowned expert in the field. The leave will enable Dr. Tamborindeguy to generate preliminary data, prepare a competitive grant submission with her collaborator, and enhance Texas A&M's international visibility in vector biology.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES (continued)			
David Matarrita-Cascante Associate Professor Rangeland, Wildlife & Fisheries Management	17	Fall 2026	Dr. Matarrita-Cascante's leave will take place in Guanacaste and San José, Costa Rica and in Bastrop, Texas. During his leave, he will collaborate with scholars and practitioners to examine how communities and government agencies address wildfire risk in fire-prone regions, conduct comparative fieldwork, and analyze policies that shape wildfire governance. The leave will enable Dr. Matarrita-Cascante to produce peer-reviewed publications, develop new teaching materials for undergraduate and graduate courses, strengthen partnerships with Costa Rican institutions, and enhance his competitiveness in securing major external research grants.
David Baltensperger Professor Soil & Crop Sciences	20	Spring 2027	Dr. Baltensperger's leave will take place at the University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida, Auburn University in Auburn, Alabama, the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, Nebraska, and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. During his leave, he will collaborate with faculty in each of the Agronomy and Soils Departments, develop a grant proposal and research project, design new teaching modules, and participate in seminars and workshops. The leave will enable Dr. Baltensperger to submit a major grant proposal and refine innovative teaching modules to benefit Texas A&M students.
Dirk Hays Professor Soil & Crop Sciences	24	Fall 2026	Dr. Hays' leave will take place at root and tuber crop hubs in Ghana, Tanzania, and Zambia, Africa. He will train breeders, consultants, and processors to use ground penetrating radar, Studio Cloud software, and multi-agent learning models to breed early bulking cultivars and optimize supply chains. This work will support a root and tuber crop green revolution and strengthen food security across Africa. It will also expand Texas A&M's international research footprint and enhance its leadership in agricultural innovation.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES (continued)			
Felipe Andres Aburto Guerrero Associate Professor Soil & Crop Sciences	4	Fall 2026	Dr. Aburto Guerrero's leave will take place at the Max Planck Institute for Biogeochemistry in Jena, Germany, the University of Tübingen in Tübingen, Germany, and the University of California in Irvine, California. During his leave, he will study the use of radiocarbon and complementary stable isotopes to trace carbon sequestration, study mineral-carbon stabilization, and collaborate with leading researchers on integrative approaches to coupled soil carbon and nutrient cycling. This leave will enhance his technical capabilities, generate novel data for publication, expand collaborations that will enrich student education at Texas A&M, and elevate the university's international visibility in environmental research.
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE			
Marcelo Lopez-Dinardi Associate Professor Architecture	7	Spring 2027	Mr. Lopez-Dinardi's leave will take place at the University of Puerto Rico in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He will conduct archival research at the Architecture and Construction Archives, continue documenting cement sites, exhibit visual work at the Museum of Art and Design of Miramar, and develop a book proposal on influential United States-trained architects in Puerto Rico shaped by the cement industry. The leave will support analysis of original hand drawings and documents central to the project and increase the visibility of his work through public exhibition and scholarly engagement. These efforts will strengthen research, creative output, and impact for Texas A&M.
Kunhee Choi Professor Construction Science	15	Fall 2026	Dr. Choi's leave will take place at the Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology in Daejeon, South Korea. He will explore innovative techniques for integrating large language models into adaptable infrastructure, autonomous vehicles, and smart city systems. This leave will expand his research into emerging technologies, boost his competitiveness for major external funding, and reinforce Texas A&M's leadership in next-generation mobility and intelligent infrastructure.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES			
Christopher Dostal Assistant Professor Anthropology	7	Fall 2026	Dr. Dostal's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. During his leave, he will complete a long-term study of a group of 18th-century shipwrecks discovered on the Alexandria, Virginia waterfront, resulting in three publications that analyze the hull forms and construction practices of these vessels. The leave will allow Dr. Dostal the necessary time for this intensive analysis, advancing knowledge of early American shipbuilding, providing material for graduate student training, and reinforcing Texas A&M's leadership in nautical archaeology.
Sharon Gursky Professor Anthropology	23	Spring 2027	Dr. Gursky's leave will take place at Tangkoko Nature Reserve in Sulawesi, Indonesia, where she will collect behavioral, reproductive, and density data to assess the impact of a nearby gold mine on tarsiers. The leave will generate publishable data, support grant applications, and offer high-impact learning opportunities for students. It will also enhance the international visibility of Texas A&M in the field of anthropology.
Kurt Rademaker Associate Professor Anthropology	2	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Rademaker's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas and in Arequipa, Peru. He will complete an analysis of long-term archaeological collection, finalize a series of high-impact publications, and curate datasets in an online repository. This leave will allow him to conclude 15 years of research in southern Peru, with many resulting publications co-authored by graduate and undergraduate students. These outcomes will showcase the innovative, interdisciplinary work of Texas A&M's Department of Anthropology and the Center for the Study of the First Americans, enhancing the university's visibility in global archaeological research.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Heather Thakar Assistant Professor Anthropology	7	Fall 2026	Dr. Thakar's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas and the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She will collaborate with international scholars to complete high-profile publications on the origins of agriculture in the Neotropics. Her work will focus on finalizing analysis and publishing findings related to ancient plant discoveries tied to 12,000 years of human occupation in the Maya Mountains of Belize. This research will elevate Texas A&M's international visibility in the fields of Archaeobotany and Paleoecology and highlight the university's contributions to interdisciplinary archaeological science.
Xiaohong Liu Professor Atmospheric Sciences	6	Fall 2026	Dr. Liu's leave will take place at Max-Planck Institute for Chemistry in Mainz, Germany and the University of Leeds in Leeds, England. During his leave, he will collaborate with faculty at the two institutions to advance the fundamental understanding of aerosol processes by integrating Earth system predictions with observations and examine the effects of aerosols on clouds and weather. The leave will allow Dr. Liu to develop innovative ideas, conduct research projects, publish high-impact papers with his collaborators, and increase the visibility of Texas A&M internationally in the field of aerosols, clouds, and weather.
Ramalingam Saravanan Professor Atmospheric Sciences	20	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Saravanan's leave will take place at the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colorado and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. He will collaborate with scientists to advance research using high-resolution and artificial intelligence methods for Earth system modeling, extreme weather simulation, and risk assessment. The leave will support exploration of novel research directions, development of teaching materials, and strengthened partnerships with the National Center for Atmospheric Research. These efforts will elevate Texas A&M's profile in atmospheric modeling and contribute to its leadership in climate science and environmental resilience.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Heath Blackmon Associate Professor Biology	8	Spring 2027	Dr. Blackmon's leave will take place at the University of Bern in Bern, Switzerland. During his leave, he will collaborate with Dr. Katie Peichel, an international leader in the study of genome and sex chromosome evolution, to learn and apply new genomic approaches, develop comparative research questions, and begin joint projects that connect their two research communities. The leave will allow Dr. Blackmon to expand the scope of his research program, enhance graduate student training upon his return, and increase the international visibility of Texas A&M in evolutionary genomics.
Jennifer Dulin Associate Professor Biology	8	Spring 2027	Dr. Dulin's leave will take place at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne, in Lausanne, Switzerland. During her leave, she will work with world leaders in the field to learn advanced neuromodulation techniques for spinal cord injury, receive hands-on training, observe clinical studies, and develop collaborative research projects. The leave will allow Dr. Dulin to establish new expertise in a cutting-edge neuroscience technique and generate preliminary data to support new grant proposals. This will strengthen Texas A&M's international presence in neuroscience and support its priorities in translational science and international engagement.
Quentin Michaudel Associate Professor Chemistry	7	Spring 2027	Dr. Michaudel's leave will take place at Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule (ETH) Zürich in Zürich, Switzerland, where he will collaborate with Prof. Tae-Lim Choi to develop synthetic methods for creating novel organic electronic materials with atomic to nanoscale precision. These materials target applications in clean energy and bioimaging. The leave will advance next-generation materials and catalysis research, broaden Dr. Michaudel's scientific impact, enrich student education, and enhance Texas A&M's international visibility in cutting-edge chemical innovation.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Amy Earhart Associate Professor English	18	Fall 2026	Dr. Earhart's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. She will conduct newspaper archive research, develop a beta version of an open-access map tracing mid-19th century newspaper article transmission, and write a book proposal. The leave will advance her digital humanities research and result in a classroom-ready digital project. These efforts will enhance Texas A&M's international visibility and provide valuable resources for graduate and undergraduate education.
Susan Egenolf Associate Professor English	23	Fall 2026	Dr. Egenolf's leave will take place at Princeton University in Princeton, New Jersey and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. She will collaborate remotely with faculty at four universities to transcribe, encode, and annotate the correspondence of Irish author Maria Edgeworth (1769 – 1849), conduct archival research at Princeton, and write two scholarly articles. The leave will support the publication of 500 additional searchable letters to the Maria Edgeworth Letters Project, involving graduate and undergraduate researchers. These efforts will advance literary scholarship, provide hands-on research experience for students, and enhance Texas A&M's visibility in digital humanities and eighteenth-century studies.
Andrew Pilsch Associate Professor English	10	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Pilsch's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. He will complete a book manuscript entitled The World According to Computer Bugs. This book will focus on the media history of computer bugs, an important and under-considered element in the social history of computing. This book is uniquely positioned to attract significant interest from top-tier institutions in the humanistic dimensions of digital technology, thereby elevating Texas A&M's international visibility in the field of technology studies by contributing a unique perspective to the intersection of media, history, and computing.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
David Cairns Professor Geography	27	Fall 2026	Dr. Cairns' leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas and Umea University in Umea, Sweden. During his leave, he will classify and interpret ecological change at the forest-tundra ecotone using aerial photographs previously acquired by Dr. Jon Moen and his team at Umea University. The leave will allow Dr. Cairns to generate preliminary data for future proposals, refocus his research, and learn new analytical skills. The leave will also increase the international visibility of Texas A&M in the fields of geography and vegetation ecology.
Wendy Jepson Professor Geography	21	Spring 2027	Dr. Jepson's leave will take place at the DRAGON-Mekong Institute in Can Tho, Vietnam and field sites across Vietnam's Mekong Delta. She will conduct interviews, surveys, and policy analysis for a public-facing book on global salinization, focusing on adaptation strategies in one of the world's most affected regions. The leave will support data collection, publication efforts, new course development, and study abroad opportunities, while strengthening Texas A&M's international partnerships and leadership in water resources research.
Zhe Zhang Associate Professor Geography	6	Fall 2026	Dr. Zhang's leave will take place at Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona, the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in Illinois, the University College London in London, England, the University of Oxford in Oxford, England, and the Technical University of Munich in Munich, Germany. She will collaborate with faculty across these institutions to publish research manuscripts, develop innovative teaching materials, and prepare grant proposals. These activities will strengthen her teaching and research portfolio while fostering international academic partnerships. The leave will enhance Texas A&M's international visibility in the field of geospatial information science.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Lei Zou Associate Professor Geography	6	Fall 2026	Dr. Zou's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas and Google DeepMind in San Francisco, California. He will collaborate with Google scientists to develop multimodal artificial intelligence methods for analyzing large-scale geographic data and work with faculty in the Center for Biological Clocks Research to study how environmental and social conditions affect sleep and circadian health. The leave will expand his research into sleep health resilience, offer unique learning opportunities for students, and enhance Texas A&M's visibility as a leader in geospatial science and public health.
Alberto Moreiras Professor Global Languages & Cultures	15	Fall 2026	Dr. Moreiras' leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas, and Universidad Metropolitana de Ciencias de la Educación in Santiago, Chile. During his leave, Dr. Moreiras will collaborate with Dr. William Thayer to complete Dr. Moreiras' book Broken Time: Living the Anthropocene. This book will explore the philosophical sources and projections of an understanding of existential time under conditions of potential unfathomable catastrophe. It will enhance the international prestige of Texas A&M through its innovative and original philosophical thought. The book will also have educational significance for future students.
Violet Johnson Professor History	13	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Violet Johnson's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, Portland, Oregon, and New York, New York. She will conduct archival research at the Oregon Historical Society and engage with African migrant communities in New York to support her book on the history of African migrants in late-twentieth-century America. She will also develop a new course in African history. Her book will contribute to an understudied area of United States history, and the course will enrich curriculum by addressing a significant gap in historical education, thereby enhancing Texas A&M's academic reach and impact.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Dean Baskin Professor Mathematics	11	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Baskin's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas, Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, the University of Melbourne in Melbourne, Australia, and Utrecht University in Utrecht, Netherlands. During this time, Dr. Baskin will pursue research collaborations in geometric wave equations and quantum field theory on curved spacetimes. The leave will strengthen Dr. Baskin's research program and enhance Texas A&M's international reputation as a center for mathematical physics. It will also support the mentoring and development of Dr. Baskin's graduate students.
Yalchin Efendiev Professor Mathematics	24	Fall 2026	Dr. Efendiev's leave will take place at Khalifa University in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, and Nanyang Technological University in Singapore. He will collaborate with Dr. Al Kobaisi on multicontinuum methods for porous media and advance hierarchical multicontinuum homogenization techniques in Singapore. The leave will support large-scale applications of recent multiscale methods, development of a multicontinuum textbook, expanded opportunities for graduate students, and future research funding. These efforts will strengthen Dr. Efendiev's research program and enhance Texas A&M's international visibility in applied mathematics and porous media modeling.
Jean-Luc Guermond Professor Mathematics	21	Spring 2027	Dr. Guermond's leave will take place at the École Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées in Champs-sur-Marne, France and Paris-Saclay University in Gif-sur-Yvette, France. During this time, Dr. Guermond will collaborate with Dr. Alexandre Ern at the École Nationale des Ponts and with Dr. Caroline Nore at Paris-Saclay University. The leave will support progress on a long-term research project focused on developing innovative algorithms to simulate multi-physics fluid flows. This work will culminate in the publication of an undergraduate textbook, enhancing the visibility of Texas A&M in the scientific textbook market.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Joseph Landsberg Professor Mathematics	21	Fall 2026	Dr. Landsberg's leave will take place at the Institute of Mathematics of the Polish Academy of Sciences, the University of Warsaw in Warsaw, Poland, and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. During this time, Dr. Landsberg will collaborate with leading geometers J. Buczyński and J. Jelisiejew to address key questions in theoretical computer science and develop new geometric techniques for resolving them. This leave will enhance Texas A&M's visibility among international leaders in mathematics and computer science and accelerate Dr. Landsberg's research productivity.
Chun-Hung Liu Associate Professor Mathematics	7	Fall 2026	Dr. Liu's leave will take place at Princeton University in Princeton, New Jersey, Monash University in Melbourne, Australia, and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. During this time, he will collaborate with faculty in the mathematics departments of these institutions to address open problems in graph theory, deliver seminar talks, and finalize drafts of research papers. The leave will support the completion of ongoing research projects, initiation of new ones, and enhancement of both international and domestic visibility of Texas A&M in the field of mathematics.
Guergana Petrova Professor Mathematics	24	Spring 2027	Dr. Petrova's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas and the University of South Carolina in Columbia, South Carolina. During this time, she will collaborate with faculty in the Department of Mathematics at both institutions to advance her research programs in the mathematical foundations of artificial intelligence and deep learning. The leave will support Dr. Petrova's efforts to deepen her work in artificial intelligence, allowing her to share the latest algorithmic innovations in deep learning and its applications with future students, and enhance the international visibility of Texas A&M in this rapidly evolving field.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Anne Shiu Professor Mathematics	11	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Shiu's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas, Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft Berlin in Berlin, Germany, the Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics in Dresden, Germany, the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in Illinois, and Santa Clara University in Santa Clara, California. During this time, Dr. Shiu will pursue research collaborations in mathematical biology and applied algebraic geometry and will participate in a research conference. The leave will strengthen Dr. Shiu's research program, benefit future graduate students, and enhance Texas A&M's international reputation in applied algebraic geometry.
Guoliang Yu Distinguished Professor Mathematics	14	Spring 2027	Dr. Yu's leave will take place at the University of Chicago in Chicago, Illinois, New York University in Manhattan, New York, and Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts. During this time, he will collaborate with faculty in mathematics and physics to study the classification of quasi-representations and contribute to the Novikov conjecture – a major open problem concerning the structure of high-dimensional spaces and geometry. This leave will enable Dr. Yu to advance his research, integrate new mathematical insights into his teaching, and elevate the international visibility of Texas A&M in the fields of geometry and mathematical physics.
Justin Moscarello Associate Professor Psychological & Brain Sciences	8	Spring 2027	Dr. Moscarello's leave will take place at the Johansen Laboratory at the University of California in Irvine, California and in College Station, Texas. He will collaborate with Dr. Josh Johansen to develop new research ideas and receive immersive training in advanced methodologies for studying learning and memory. The leave will support at least one grant proposal and expand Dr. Moscarello's experimental toolkit, enhancing the impact of his research and increasing recognition for Texas A&M in behavioral neuroscience.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Rachel Smith Associate Professor Psychological & Brain Sciences	10	Fall 2026	Dr. Smith's leave will take place in College Station and Bryan, Texas. She will collaborate with faculty at the Texas A&M University Health Science Center to develop expertise in advanced neuroscience tools that measure dopamine signals during decision-making tasks in animal models. By integrating these technologies into her research, Dr. Smith will expand her scientific capabilities, generate preliminary data for future publications and grant proposals, and enhance Texas A&M's visibility in the field of innovative behavioral neuroscience.
Ege Islekel Assistant Professor Philosophy	2	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Islekel's leave will take place in Houston, Texas and at the French National Library in Paris, France. During her leave, she will complete archival research for the final chapter of her second book, Monstrous Visions, and prepare the full manuscript for submission. The leave will allow Dr. Islekel to strengthen her research program, enhance her teaching through new graduate and undergraduate courses, and enhance the reputation of Texas A&M in the fields of continental philosophy and philosophies of the global south.
Martin Peterson Professor Philosophy	11	Spring 2027	Dr. Peterson's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas and the University of Bielefeld in Bielefeld, Germany. He will develop a new line of research exploring the question "What Is a Moral Compromise?" expected to yield three peer-reviewed journal articles. This leave will provide time to investigate this under-theorized concept in moral philosophy, enriching the academic quality of his large-enrollment ethics courses. The resulting scholarship will enhance student experience and elevate Texas A&M's reputation in moral philosophy and ethics education.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES (Continued)			
Lifan Wang Professor Physics & Astronomy	20	Fall 2026	Dr. Wang's leave will take place at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in Berkeley, California. During this period, he will collaborate with Dr. Saul Perlmutter and other physicists to advance research in supernovae and cosmology. The leave will enable Dr. Wang to initiate new observational projects with his collaborators, prepare proposals for observing time on major facilities, and develop new directions for future grant proposals. These activities will enhance the national and international visibility of Texas A&M in the field of astronomy and will generate data, methods, and tools that will be incorporated into undergraduate astronomy courses, directly benefiting both research and students at Texas A&M.
Nadia Kim Professor Sociology	2	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Kim's leave will take place at the University of California at Los Angeles. During her leave, Dr. Kim will serve as a California Center for Population Research affiliate, engaging with academics on her book exploring why sociology did not anticipate immigration's central role in recent historic political shifts. This leave will enable Dr. Kim to conduct supplementary research, receive feedback from colleagues, and finalize the book. The resulting publication will be used by Texas A&M students at all levels to foster generative thinking and collaboration across the College of Arts & Sciences.
Suojin Wang Professor Statistics	36	Spring 2027	Dr. Wang's leave will take place in Corpus Christi, Texas, San Francisco and Palo Alto, California, and College Station, Texas. He will work closely with collaborators at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, the University of California San Francisco, and Stanford University to develop innovative and sound statistical methodology with novel applications in public health and medical research. The high-quality research and publications in high-impact journals produced during this leave will be integrated into classroom teaching and student advising. These activities will significantly benefit the Department of Statistics, the College of Arts & Sciences, and Texas A&M.

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Quan Zhou Associate Professor Statistics	6	Spring 2027	Dr. Zhou's leave will take place at the University of Turin and Collegio Carlo Alberto in Turin, Italy and Imperial College London in London, England. During the leave, he will collaborate with Professor Tiziano De Angelis and Professor Philip Ernst on theoretical and interdisciplinary research problems in applied probability, data science, and artificial intelligence. The leave will allow Dr. Zhou to deepen existing collaborations, expand into new research directions, and develop future teaching materials. It will also increase his department's visibility in cutting-edge areas such as generative artificial intelligence.
MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL			
Manjit Yadav Professor Marketing	35	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Yadav's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. Following the completion of his five-year term as Department Head and nearly two years as Interim Department Head, he will develop and advance his research and future teaching objectives, focused on how digital technologies impact markets and marketing. His leave will result in acquisition of new methodological skills, particularly in the emerging field of artificial intelligence, advance ongoing research projects, and explore ideas for new course development. This leave will contribute to the research, teaching, and service mission of the Department of Marketing at Mays Business School.
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT			
Chayla Haynes Davison Associate Professor Educational Administration & Human Resource Development	9	Spring 2027	Dr. Haynes Davison's leave will take place at the University of California in Los Angeles, California. During her leave, she will collaborate with nationally recognized scholars to develop a book proposal and begin co-authoring a field-defining book on intersectionality methodology. This approach enables scholars to design studies that capture the complex experiences of multiple groups with both theoretical and methodological precision. The leave will strengthen Dr. Haynes Davison's research program, enhance graduate-level teaching in qualitative and mixed-methods research, and support the priorities of the university to enhance its national profile as a leader in transdisciplinary scholarship.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (Continued)			
Idean Ettekal Associate Professor Educational Psychology	8	Spring 2027	Dr. Ettekal's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas, and the University at Buffalo in Buffalo, New York. During his leave, he will collaborate with faculty at the Alberti Center for Bullying Abuse Prevention and conduct data analyses using the Adolescent Brain and Cognitive Development study. The leave will enable Dr. Ettekal to expand his research program on adolescents' digital technology use and mental health outcomes, co-author peer-reviewed journal articles, prepare a grant application with his collaborators, and facilitate graduate student access to this large-scale national dataset at Texas A&M.
Wen Luo Professor Educational Psychology	12	Spring 2027	Dr. Luo's leave will take place in College Station, Texas and at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She will complete a federally funded project by developing and disseminating a statistical software tool, collaborate on future grant proposals, and begin creating an artificial intelligence-based virtual assistant to support student learning in statistics. The leave will enhance her research in single-case methodology, improve instructional accessibility for graduate students, and advance Texas A&M's goals in research impact and innovative teaching.
Steven Riechman Professor Kinesiology & Sports Management	20	Fall 2026	Dr. Riechman's leave will take place in Lubbock, Waco and Stephenville, Texas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, and South Carolina. He will present seminars, integrate lab protocols, collaborate on manuscripts, and engage in grant planning to advance the Southern Heat Initiative – a multi-institutional network studying thermoregulation and human performance in extreme environments. The leave will generate preliminary data, strengthen collaborations, and support grant submissions, benefiting Dr. Riechman's research program, student training, and the strategic goals of Texas A&M in health, performance, and climate resilience.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (Continued)			
Hope Gerde Professor Teaching, Learning & Culture	4	Spring 2027	Dr. Gerde's leave will occur in Washington, District of Columbia, Tallahassee, Florida, Atlanta, Georgia, and Kansas City, Kansas. She will visit four leading institutes to collaborate with faculty and leadership, studying models of development, funding, partnerships, and dissemination. The leave will support the creation of a 10-year advancement plan for her institute, including innovative research and outreach initiatives, expanded funding strategies, and multimedia dissemination. These efforts will increase the international visibility and impact of her institute, Texas A&M, and the field of Early Childhood.
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING			
Paul Cizmas Professor Aerospace Engineering	27	Fall 2026	Dr. Cizmas' leave will take place at the National University of Science and Technology "Politehnica" Bucharest in Bucharest, Romania and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. In Romania, he will collaborate with faculty in the Department of Aerospace Engineering to develop a computational model of hydrogen combustion in a jet engine to be used in a funded experimental project and at Texas A&M he will complete his book on computational fluid dynamics. The leave will increase the international visibility of Texas A&M in the field of hydrogen propulsion.
Jean-Briac le Graverend Associate Professor Aerospace Engineering	11	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. le Graverend's leave will take place at Mines Paris-PSL in Paris, France. During his leave, Dr. le Graverend will work on the contribution of defects in the storage of deformation memory in metallic materials using additive manufacturing. The new skills obtained will contribute to Texas A&M's strategic and high-impact area towards research excellence and industrial leadership and benefit the students who will be exposed to the recent progress made in the field of metallurgy, materials science, and mechanics.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Continued)			
John Criscione Professor Biomedical Engineering	24	Spring 2027	Dr. Criscione's leave will take place at Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas. As part of a biodesign immersion, he will observe current best practices in the diagnosis, management, and treatment of congenital heart defects. This leave will enable Dr. Criscione to shift his research focus in cardiovascular devices from adult heart disease to pediatrics, positioning the Department of Biomedical Engineering to further establish leadership in pediatric device innovation and generate discoveries that improve care for an underserved patient population.
Wonmuk Hwang Professor Biomedical Engineering	21	Fall 2026	Dr. Hwang's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, Bethesda, Maryland, and Seoul, South Korea. During his leave, Dr. Hwang will develop and implement next-generation biomolecular simulation and analysis algorithms, involving collaboration with a researcher at the National Institutes of Health and discussions with researchers at the Korea Institute for Advanced Study. The leave will result in new grant proposals and enhance his undergraduate and graduate courses with the new computational methods and theoretical analyses developed during his leave.
Alex Walsh Associate Professor Biomedical Engineering	6	Fall 2026	Dr. Walsh's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. During her leave, she will explore gaps in quantum biology and women's health that can be addressed through optical technologies, collect preliminary data, and strengthen collaborations with faculty in the Department of Biomedical Engineering. This leave will enable Dr. Walsh to launch two new research directions, prepare competitive grant proposals, and enhance Texas A&M's visibility in the interdisciplinary field of biophotonics.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Continued)			
Feng Zhao Professor Biomedical Engineering	5	Spring 2027	Dr. Zhao's leave will take place at the Institute of Biosciences and Technology (IBT) in Houston, Texas and Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan. She will collaborate on studies in cardiac and lymphatic regeneration, expand validation of vascular grafts, and advance development of a bioreactor system for producing extracellular matrix materials. This leave will strengthen her research and funding program, accelerate the translation of regenerative technologies into clinical applications, and elevate the reputation of the Department of Biomedical Engineering and Texas A&M in the field of biomedical innovation.
Jeetain Mittal Professor Chemical Engineering	4	Fall 2026	Dr. Mittal's leave will take place at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island, the University of California San Diego, and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. During his leave, he will collaborate with Professors Nicholas Fawzi and Galia Debelouchina on joint research projects, prepare grant proposals, and explore new directions that integrate artificial intelligence and machine learning into biomolecular simulations. The leave will strengthen research collaborations, enrich student training, and elevate Texas A&M's visibility through high-impact publications, new grants, and expanded partnerships across Texas.
Sreeram Vaddiraju Associate Professor Chemical Engineering	16	Spring 2027	Dr. Vaddiraju's leave will take place at the Air Force Research Laboratory in Dayton, Ohio. During his leave, he will collaborate with Dr. Ajit Roy of the Air Force Research Laboratory on the design, fabrication, and characterization of nanowire-assembly-based memristors for both low- and high-temperature operation. This leave will enable Dr. Vaddiraju to explore new research directions in nanowire-based memory device design and generate preliminary data, laying the foundation for sustained collaboration between Texas A&M and the Air Force Research Laboratory. The outcomes are expected to support external funding opportunities and enhance graduate student education at Texas A&M.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Continued)			
Eun Kim Professor Computer Science & Engineering	22	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Kim's leave will take place at Seoul National University in Seoul, South Korea and in College Station, Texas. She will collaborate with Professors Jung Ho Ahn and Hyojin Sung on co-designing artificial intelligence accelerator hardware and compiler/runtime software, while also developing proposals for external research funding. This leave will help generate preliminary results, enrich her teaching with cutting-edge insights, and strengthen Texas A&M's global presence in advanced computer architecture.
Dimitri Loguinov Professor Computer Science & Engineering	23	Fall 2026	Dr. Loguinov's leave will take place in College Station, Texas. During this leave he will advance research in big-data computing, scalable analytics, high-performance optimization, and networked systems. These efforts will strengthen Texas A&M's competitiveness for external funding, support high impact publications, enrich computer science curricula, and better prepare students for a data-driven future. The leave will also help attract undergraduates to the Computer Science & Engineering Ph.D. program and elevate the university's research reputation.
Huilin Gao Professor Civil & Environmental Engineering	13	Spring 2027	Dr. Gao's leave will take place in College Station and Austin, Texas, with multiple visits to the Texas Water Development Board and Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. During this time, she will collaborate with the Texas Water Development Board and Oak Ridge National Laboratory, submit new proposals to federal and state agencies, publish manuscripts in high-impact journals, and develop course materials. These efforts will benefit Texas A&M by expanding funded research, strengthening the training of future researchers, and enhancing Dr. Gao's leadership role in the field of hydrology.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Continued)			
Zachary Grasley Professor Civil & Environmental Engineering	19	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Grasley's leave will take place at Circle Concrete Tech, Inc. in Bryan, Texas. He will investigate the viability of using Plient recycled steel fibers as a replacement for traditional rebar reinforcement in concrete pavements and floors. This research aims to confirm the commercial potential of Plient fibers to reduce construction costs and enhance infrastructure sustainability. The outcomes of this leave are expected to financially benefit The Texas A&M University System through intellectual property royalties and elevate the College of Engineering's visibility through an impactful innovation.
Ali Mostafavi Professor Civil & Environmental Engineering	9	Fall 2026	Dr. Mostafavi's leave will take place at the Texas A&M Institute for a Disaster Resilient Texas in Houston, Texas. He will establish a disaster artificial intelligence initiative and collaborate with international partners including the Pacific Disaster Center and the Dutch- and Singapore-Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Centres. His work will focus on building national and international research collaborations, launching a university-industry consortium, and advancing lab innovations for deployment. These efforts will strengthen scholarship, integrate disaster artificial intelligence into teaching and research, and foster lasting partnerships, enhancing Texas A&M's visibility and impact in artificial intelligence-enabled disaster resilience.
Robert Balog Professor Electrical & Computer Engineering	16	Fall 2026	Dr. Balog's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. He will advance his patented technologies on electrical arc fault detection and power system quality compensation through lab work and industry outreach. The leave will support development of demonstration prototypes, cultivation of industry partnerships, and data collection from test deployments. These efforts will enhance the societal impact and commercial viability of his technologies while increasing Texas A&M's visibility in the field of electrical power.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Continued)			
Ulisses Braga-Neto Professor Electrical & Computer Engineering	18	Fall 2026	Dr. Braga-Neto's leave will take place at the Oden Institute for Computational Engineering and Sciences at the University of Texas at Austin in Austin, Texas. Hosted by Dr. Karen Wilcox, an international leader in the field of scientific computation, he will collaborate on joint grant proposals and scientific publications with her group and other University of Texas at Austin researchers. The leave will advance his scholarship in machine learning and scientific computation, benefiting students and colleagues while strengthening Texas A&M's reputation as a hub for engineering and computational research.
Nicholas Duffield Professor Electrical & Computer Engineering	11	Fall 2026	Dr. Duffield's leave will take place at the University of Colorado in Boulder, Colorado. He will collaborate with faculty in the College of Engineering and Applied Science and the Institute of Behavioral Science to develop preliminary results for research proposals on artificial intelligence and its applications in physical infrastructure. The research will explore self-calibrating transferability, which uses multiple datasets to provide partial ground truth for training other datasets. He will also begin creating training materials in interdisciplinary artificial intelligence and build connections with university, federal, and industry labs. These efforts will support future research, expand educational resources, and strengthen Texas A&M's position as a leader in artificial intelligence-driven infrastructure innovation.
Xiaoning Qian Professor Electrical & Computer Engineering	12	Fall 2026	Dr. Qian's leave will take place at the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington. He will collaborate with Dr. Shuai Huang in the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering to develop Bayesian reasoning and causal discovery methods in the context of artificial general intelligence focusing on high-stakes decision-making applications such as healthcare. This work will support collaborative proposals, strengthen long-term research partnerships, and generate academic and commercial impact by bridging statistical learning, causal inference, and artificial intelligence. The research will be integrated into his teaching, directly benefiting students and enhancing Texas A&M's visibility in advanced data science and intelligent systems.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Continued)			
Alfredo Garcia Professor Industrial & Systems Engineering	7	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Garcia's leave will take place at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, Minnesota and Imperial College London in London, England. He will collaborate with Professor Mingyi Hong on their joint project funded by the National Science Foundation, focusing on inverse reinforcement learning. He will also initiate collaboration with the Dyson School of Design Engineering at Imperial College London. This leave will support ongoing research, benefit Dr. Garcia's doctoral students funded by the project, and foster new international collaborations, enhancing the visibility of Texas A&M in the fields of machine learning and design engineering.
Lewis Ntaimo Professor Industrial & Systems Engineering	21	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Ntaimo's leave will take place at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana and Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia. He will collaborate with industrial and systems engineering faculty on research in natural disaster management and write a textbook on systems thinking and engineering. The leave will help restart his research after six years as department head, supporting development of preliminary models and algorithms, joint grant writing, and textbook preparation. These efforts will benefit future Texas A&M students and strengthen the university's visibility in systems engineering and disaster management.
Iman Borazjani Professor Mechanical Engineering	7	Fall 2026	Dr. Borazjani's leave will take place at the University of São Paulo, Brazil and the University of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He will develop computational and machine learning tools for precision medicine and collaborate with scholars on quantum computing codes for fluid and structure equations. The leave will support preliminary data generation, grant writing in quantum computing, and enhance Texas A&M's international visibility through the prestigious Fulbright award.

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James Edward Hubbard, Jr. Professor Mechanical Engineering	7	Fall 2026	Dr. Hubbard's leave will take place at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina and in College Station, Texas. During this leave, he will complete two major research manuscripts. One focuses on his adaptive digital twin framework for modeling cognitive state dynamics from data, and the other involves motion capture and statistical parametric mapping to assess Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy in canines. Both projects integrate engineering and neuroscience to produce translational impact. These publications will enhance Texas A&M's research leadership in neuroengineering and strengthen future funding opportunities in cognition, biomedicine, and human-machine systems.
Waruna Kulatilaka Professor Mechanical Engineering	11	Spring 2027	Dr. Kulatilaka's leave will take place at the University of Duisburg-Essen in Duisburg, Germany and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. He will collaborate on novel optical and laser diagnostic methods for combustion studies and develop a handbook for teaching optical techniques to engineering students. The leave will support the invention of new sensing tools for high-pressure, chemically reacting flows and generate content for a future textbook. These efforts will advance his research program and increase Texas A&M's international visibility in cutting-edge propulsion and energy research.
Sivakumar Rathinam Professor Mechanical Engineering	16	Fall 2026	Dr. Rathinam's leave will take place at the Air Force Institute of Technology and Integrated Solutions for Systems in Dayton, Ohio and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. He will collaborate with researchers on autonomy challenges, participate in field experiments, and publish scientific articles and book chapters on autonomous vehicles. The leave will support preliminary data generation and major proposal development for the Air Force, Navy, and United States National Laboratories, advancing his research and enhancing Texas A&M's visibility in autonomous systems.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Continued)			
Linda Katehi Professor Electrical & Computer Engineering	6	Fall 2026	Dr. Katehi's leave will take place at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, California. She will collaborate with Professor Joshua Yang's group to design and test memristor-based intelligent receivers, advance joint publications, and develop a competitive National Science Foundation Mid-Scale Research Infrastructure-1 proposal focused on novel memory devices and cloud-connected facilities. The leave will accelerate her research program, provide Texas A&M students with access to advanced infrastructure and mentorship, and enhance Texas A&M's visibility as a national leader in intelligent radio frequency systems and memory technologies.
Svetlana Sukhishvili Professor Materials Science & Engineering	10	Spring 2027	Dr. Sukhishvili's leave will take place at the Luxembourg Institute of Science and Technology in Hautcharage, Luxembourg and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. She will collaborate with scholars on translational research focused on reconfigurable polymers and in the application of artificial intelligence in the development of antibiofilm coatings. This will enable her to establish new collaborations, generate preliminary data for two grant proposals, and enhance the international visibility of Texas A&M in the field of polymer materials.
Freddie Witherden Associate Professor Ocean Engineering	6	Fall 2026	Dr. Witherden's leave will take place at Tohoku University in Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture, Japan and Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. During his leave, he will collaborate with faculty in the Institute of Fluid Science at Tohoku University to further his development of new techniques for simulating combustion and focus on the completion of his graduate book on Modern Numerical Methods. The leave will allow Dr. Witherden to learn from and interact with the world-class combustion experts at Tohoku University and finish his book which will be used by graduate students at Texas A&M.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Continued)			
George Moridis Professor Petroleum Engineering	8	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Moridis's leave will take place at the National University of Singapore in Singapore and the Politecnico di Torino in Turin, Italy. During his leave, he will conduct numerical simulations to analyze data on carbon dioxide sequestration using hydrates and assess the feasibility of gas recovery from oceanic methane hydrates in Asia. He will participate in advanced European studies on geothermal energy and hydrogen storage and continue work on his book on the numerical simulation of coupled processes. This work will generate groundbreaking methodologies that enhance the global reputation of Texas A&M.
BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC SERVICE			
Fritz Bartel Associate Professor International Affairs	6	Fall 2026	Dr. Bartel's leave will take place in College Station, Texas, Argentina, and South Africa, where he will conduct archival research in support of his book, The Age of Transitions – a global history of the political, economic, and legal transitions that shaped international relations in the late 20th century. During his leave, Dr. Bartel will review diverse global sources and complete a full draft of the manuscript. This work will enhance Texas A&M's research impact among both academic scholars and the broader public by contributing to global historical scholarship and public understanding of international transitions.
Carmela Garritano Associate Professor International Affairs	11	Fall 2026	Dr. Garritano's leave will take place in Ghana, in the cities of Accra, Tema, Kumasi, and Tamale. During her leave, Dr. Garritano will conduct archival and interview-based research on plastics for her book on the cultural history of plastics in Ghana. The leave in Ghana is necessary for Dr. Garritano to perform the research that will enable her to complete her book, the publication of which supports the land, sea, and space grant mission of Texas A&M. This research will also be used in future courses that Dr. Garritano teaches to undergraduate students at Texas A&M.

BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC SERVICE (Continued)			
Robert Goidel Professor Political Science	11	Fall 2026	Dr. Goidel's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas. He will analyze political advertisements for nostalgic appeals, conduct experiments to assess their effectiveness, and study survey data on nostalgia's impact on views of democracy and political violence. The leave will support completion of his book manuscript, <i>Longing for the Good Old Days: The Political Consequences of Nostalgia</i> , and several co-authored articles with graduate students. These efforts will advance research in political psychology and public opinion while enhancing Texas A&M's visibility in the field.
Hyeran Jo Associate Professor Political Science	17	Fall 2026	Dr. Jo's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas and the Bush School DC site in Washington, DC. She will work on an edited volume titled <i>Small Powers in Great Power Politics</i> , supported by a grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, and organize a one-day policy workshop in Washington, DC. These activities will engage international scholars, policymakers, and representatives from think-tanks and international organizations, enhancing the visibility of Texas A&M in international affairs and policy research.
Heng Qu Associate Professor Public Service & Administration	9	Fall 2026	Dr. Qu's leave will take place in College Station and Houston, Texas. She will collaborate with colleagues at peer institutions to build a large-scale dataset linking nonprofit workforce demographics to financial and community characteristics and explore how workforce composition shapes financial outcomes and resource allocation. She will also analyze national and state-level data on nonprofit nursing homes to assess financial resilience and community access under policy changes and fiscal pressures. This leave will advance her multi-year research agenda, support competitive grant proposals, enhance classroom learning, and strengthen the research visibility of Texas A&M in nonprofit management and philanthropy.

COLLEGE OF MARINE SCIENCES & MARITIME STUDIES			
Thomas Earle Associate Professor Maritime Studies	6	Spring 2027	Dr. Earle's leave will take place in Austin, Texas, Seville, Spain, and Paris, France. He will conduct archival research at institutions holding records of national governments that sought to control Galveston Bay from the 1600s to the present. The leave will support the collection of primary sources for his third book, which explores the long history of Galveston Bay. This work will contribute to Texas A&M's College of Marine Sciences and Maritime Studies by advancing understanding of the relationship between human societies and the maritime world and enhancing Texas A&M's visibility in global maritime history.
NARESH K. VASHISHT COLLEGE OF MEDICINE			
Vytas Bankaitis Professor Cell Biology & Genetics	13	Fall 2026	Dr. Bankaitis' leave will take place at the Medical Research Council Laboratory of Molecular Biology in Cambridge, United Kingdom. He will be trained in sophisticated heavy isotope mass spectrometry as well as in the reconstitution and structural characterization of large protein complexes. The leave will allow Dr. Bankaitis to generate data relevant to his National Institutes of Health-funded research and expand his laboratory's research portfolio, enhancing its competitiveness for extramural funding. This opportunity will broaden the research capabilities and improve the quality of student training at Texas A&M, while elevating the university's international visibility in the biomedical research arena.
COLLEGE OF PERFORMANCE, VISUALIZATION, & FINE ARTS			
Kim Kattari Associate Professor Performance, Visualization & Fine Arts	11	Fall 2026	Dr. Kattari's leave will be based at Texas A&M in College Station, Texas and in Idanha-a-Nova, Portugal. She will conduct fieldwork to gather data on transcendent experiences at electronic music events and complete her book, Learning to Listen: The Transformative Impact of Electronic Music. This work will make a significant ethnomusicological contribution to popular music studies, enhance the visibility of Texas A&M scholarship, and expand educational opportunities for students pursuing research in this emerging field.

COLLEGE OF PERFORMANCE, VISUALIZATION, & FINE ARTS (Continued)			
Ann McNamara Professor Performance, Visualization & Fine Arts	17	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. McNamara's leave will take place at the University of Galway's School of Engineering and Centre for Creative Technologies in Galway, Ireland. During the leave, Dr. McNamara will conduct collaborative research on human-robot creative collaboration, developing autonomous creative systems, and exploring robotic applications in interactive art installations. The leave will establish Texas A&M as a pioneer in creative robotics research, enhance interdisciplinary curriculum development, create international partnerships in robotics and creative technologies, and advance the university's strategic goals in creative innovative applications.
Courtney Starrett Associate Professor Performance, Visualization & Fine Arts	6	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Starrett's leave will take place at Texas A&M in College Station and Galveston, Texas. She will collaborate with faculty who research marine biology, coastal environmental sciences, and atmospheric sciences; collect coastal ecosystem data; and expand her visual art portfolio. This interdisciplinary work will advance her computational and artistic techniques, deepen data integration, and support new exhibitions. The leave will enhance both Dr. Starrett's and Texas A&M's visibility at the intersection of art, science, and technology, fostering broader dissemination and innovation across disciplines.
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH			
Ping Ma Associate Professor Health Behavior	8	Fall 2026	Dr. Ma's leave will take place at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, Minnesota and at local community clinics in Houston and Brazos County, Texas. She will acquire advanced skills in screen capture and artificial intelligence technologies to integrate with ecological momentary assessment for studying adolescent social media use, sleep patterns, and mental health. She will gain hands-on experience with integrated care models that address social determinants of health in underserved communities. This leave will strengthen her research program, enrich student learning through the use of innovative methodologies, and advance Texas A&M's commitment to community-based health research.

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH (Continued)			
Rebecca Fischer Associate Professor Epidemiology & Biostatistics	7	Fall 2026 - Spring 2027	Dr. Fischer's leave will take place in Houston, Texas, Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, Kandy, Sri Lanka, and Bangalore, India. She will analyze data from her Latin American cohort, publish scientific manuscripts in international health, and expand her research on emerging tropical diseases to South Asia. The leave will support dissemination of research with Emory collaborators, development of international partnerships, and preparation of a grant proposal to expand her research efforts in South Asia. These activities will enhance Texas A&M's visibility and impact in global health and emerging diseases at both national and international levels.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA
BACKGROUND OF FACULTY
RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE
TENURE LIST NO. 26-02

EXHIBIT**COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCES, AND EDUCATION**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards</u> <u>Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date</u> <u>Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. Leslie Haas	Professor Education	0	<15	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
Ph.D. (2012)	East Texas A&M University (formerly Texas A&M University-Commerce)			
Fa 2012 – Sp 2013	Dallas Christian College	Assistant Professor		
Fa 2017 – Sp 2021	Buena Vista University	Assistant Professor		
Fa 2021 – Sp 2024	Xavier University of Louisiana	Associate Professor		
Fa 2024 – Sp 2025	New Uzbekistan University	Professor		
Fa 2025 – Present	Texas A&M University-Texarkana	Professor		

Dr. Leslie Haas has successfully taught a wide variety of courses at seven different universities in addition to 15 years of K-12 teaching experience. She is also licensed and/or certified to teach in Texas, Mississippi, and Iowa. Her scholarship has been impressive. She has published three books, 11 book chapters, and 22 journal articles appropriate for her discipline. She has also presented numerous papers, many with student co-authors at scholarly meetings. Additionally, Dr. Haas has made significant service contributions to her discipline and at each university at which she has been employed.

Dr. Leslie Haas's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

- * Each university determines, through a review process, the number of years each faculty member will be awarded towards tenure based on his/her dossier.

EXHIBIT

**TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
BACKGROUND OF FACULTY
RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE
TENURE LIST NO. 26-02**

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Rank</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>Yrs. Towards</u> <u>Tenure*</u>		<u>Effective Date</u> <u>Tenure</u>
		<u>Univ.</u>	<u>Other Inst.</u>	
Dr. David Leitman	Professor Neuroscience	0	6	Upon Approval by the Board and Faculty Arrival
Ph.D. (2006)	The City University of New York			
Fa 2010 – Sp 2011 Sp 2011 – Sp 2016 Fa 2025 – Present	University of Pennsylvania University of Pennsylvania Tarleton State University	Instructor Research Assistant Professor Professor		

Dr. Leitman comes to Tarleton as the Department Head of Neuroscience in the College of Science and Mathematics. Dr. Leitman has held several instructional roles, from Adjunct Professor to Research Assistant Professor, at institutions like the University of Pennsylvania and Drexel University. He has developed and taught courses in cognitive and affective neuroscience and has supervised a significant number of graduate and undergraduate students, mentoring them on their thesis projects and research. His research focuses on social neuroscience and psychopathology, with an emphasis on social communication, prosody, and the neurobiological basis of conditions like schizophrenia and autism. He has conducted and led numerous studies using multimodal neuroimaging and has secured multiple federal and private grants to fund this work.

His service contributions are extensive, particularly in his current role as a Scientific Program Officer at the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). He manages a large grant portfolio that totals over \$97 million in federal research, chairs and co-chairs numerous workshops and committees, and serves as a subject matter expert for various interagency and trans-NIH initiatives, including advising on the U.S. Surgeon General's Advisory on social connection.

Dr. Leitman has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy 12.01 section 4.3.

EXHIBIT

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE LIST
FY 2027
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

Name/ Title/ Department	Years of Tarleton Tenured, Tenure- Track Service	Semester of Leave	Location, Brief Description of Leave and Benefit to University
MAYFIELD COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING			
Sotirios Diamantas Associate Professor Computer Science and Electrical Engineering	7	Fall 2026	Dr. Diamantis’s project will take place at Rice University in Houston, a leading R1 research institution known for its strengths in AI, robotics, and high-performance computing. During the leave, Dr. Diamantis will collaborate with Rice faculty on advanced research projects, develop new technical skills, and engage in interdisciplinary work that supports applications in infrastructure, agriculture, and other STEM areas. This experience will directly benefit Tarleton by expanding research capacity, strengthening external partnerships, increasing opportunities for student and faculty collaboration, and supporting the university’s strategic goals, including its trajectory toward higher research classification and statewide impact.