



## Graduate Education at Texas A&M

Texas A&M University is dedicated to the discovery, development, communication, and application of knowledge in a wide range of academic and professional fields. Its mission of providing the highest quality graduate programs is inseparable from its mission of developing new understandings through research and creativity.

### Affordable

Graduate education at Texas A&M is a smart investment. *Smart Money* magazine recently ranked Texas A&M as the top public university in the nation for its return on investment—that is, the earning levels of an institution's graduates compared to what they paid in tuition, fees and related costs for their education. The average cost of attendance for graduate students is available at [https://financialaid.tamu.edu/Cost/COA\\_Grad.aspx](https://financialaid.tamu.edu/Cost/COA_Grad.aspx).

The table below compares one semester of tuition and fees for Texas A&M and peer institutions and lists the associated cost of living index for the communities where the institutions are located.

Peer Institution	Resident Tuition & Fees	Non-Resident Tuition & Fees*	Cost of Living Index**
Texas A&M University <sup>†</sup>	\$8,152	\$14,896	100.0
Purdue University <sup>†</sup>	\$9,070	\$26,622	100.7
University of Florida <sup>†</sup>	\$10,916	\$28,309	109.0
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign <sup>†</sup>	\$13,498	\$26,764	110.2
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill <sup>†</sup>	\$17,202	\$22,932	110.4
University of Wisconsin—Madison <sup>†</sup>	\$10,941	\$25,108	110.5
Ohio State University <sup>‡</sup>	\$11,298	\$27,228	112.0
Georgia Institute of Technology <sup>†</sup>	\$10,282	\$27,850	112.1
University of Michigan <sup>†</sup>	\$17,973	\$36,133	113.3
University of Minnesota—Twin Cities <sup>†</sup>	\$14,344	\$21,442	113.6
University of Texas <sup>†</sup>	\$10,154	\$19,316	117.4
University of California, Davis <sup>‡</sup>	\$11,211	\$26,313	123.5
Pennsylvania State University	\$17,202	\$29,480	129.0
University of California, San Diego <sup>‡</sup>	\$10,844	\$25,946	130.6
University of California, Los Angeles <sup>‡</sup>	\$10,660	\$25,762	151.9
University of California, Berkeley <sup>†1</sup>	\$10,940	\$26,042	157.2
Baylor University <sup>†2</sup> (2011-12 tuition and fees)	\$23,860	\$23,860	N/A
University of North Texas (2011-2012 tuition and fees)	\$6,030	\$11,664	N/A
Rice University <sup>†3</sup> (2011-2012 tuition and fees)	\$29,182	\$29,182	N/A
Texas Tech University <sup>†4</sup> (2009-2010 tuition and fees)	\$5,813	\$11,328	N/A

\*AAUDE Annual Academic Year Tuition and Required Fees, 2010-11

\*\*Runzheimer Report of Living Cost Standards Designed for AAUDE, 2010

<sup>†</sup>Annual Academic Period = 2 semesters

<sup>‡</sup>Annual Academic Period = 3 quarters

<sup>1,2,3,and 4</sup>Information on tuition and fees published on each institution's website as of August 22, 2011.

Texas A&M graduate students also have the opportunity to compete for fellowships, scholarships and other awards. In academic year 2010-11, our graduate students received nearly \$8.5 million in fellowships and \$5.2 million in scholarships. This represents close to 2,600 awards.

## Prominent Faculty

Graduate students at Texas A&M work alongside our distinguished faculty. With membership in the prestigious Association of American Universities, Texas A&M's faculty is among the best and the brightest, exemplifying the highest standards in teaching, research, and scholarship.

Our distinguished faculty includes winners of the Nobel Prize, Wolf Prize, and National Medal of Science, as well as more than 2,800 other award-winning teachers and researchers in 10 colleges, are in the classroom and laboratory every day preparing the next generation of leaders and pursuing life-changing research discoveries.

Almost 90 percent of the faculty holds doctoral degrees or terminal degrees in their field and 300 hold endowed professorships or chairs. Twenty-seven faculty members have been elected to the National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering, or Institute of Medicine. More than 500 hold the title of fellow or a title of equal significance in their respective fields.

Each year, Texas A&M's faculty conducts approximately \$400 million worth of sponsored research, assisted by more than 5,000 paid graduate students.

## Global Exposure

We live in a highly integrated global society in which economic, social, and political factors are inextricably connected. Our students must be prepared to succeed in this highly sophisticated environment. Texas A&M provides many opportunities for global exposure. During the 2010-2011 academic year, more than 350 graduate students engaged in some type of international experience. These included field trips, research activities, reciprocal exchange programs, conferences and faculty-led programs. Some destinations were Peru, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Turkey, Fiji, Belgium, and Germany.

In addition, Texas A&M offers programming through these international campuses and learning centers.

- Norman Borlaug Institute for International Agriculture
- Center for International Business
- Confucius Institute
- Mexican American and U.S. Latino Research Center
- Scrowcroft Institute of International Affairs
- Texas A&M University at Qatar, *Doha, Qatar*
- Soltis Center for Research and Education, *San Juan de San Isidro de Peñas Blancas, Costa Rica*
- Santa Chiara Study Center, *Santa Chiara, Italy*
- Mexico Center, *Mexico City, Mexico*

## University Overview

### EDUCATIONAL BREADTH & DEPTH

- 120 bachelor's degrees
- 158 master's degrees
- 96 doctoral degrees
- 10 colleges housing 60 academic departments
- 12 interdisciplinary graduate programs

### STUDENT COMPOSITION

undergraduate students:

- 583 international
- 36,899 domestic

master's students:

- 1,533 international
- 3,472 domestic

doctoral students:

- 1,860 international
- 2,091 domestic

### STUDENT DIVERSITY

- 2,092 Asian
- 1,714 Black
- 7,020 Hispanic or Latino
- 171 American Indian

### RESEARCH

- \$689 million in research expenditures annually
- 3<sup>rd</sup> in research expenditures among universities without medical schools
- an estimated 23,000 jobs were generated by A&M research projects during FY10

### RANKINGS

- 22<sup>nd</sup> among public universities, and 2<sup>nd</sup> among "Great Schools, Great Prices" (*U.S. News and World Report*, 2010)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> among universities from which corporations prefer to hire (*Wall Street Journal*, 2010)
- Bryan/College Station is 3<sup>rd</sup> among "Best Cities for Raising Families" (*Kiplinger's* 2010)