



2011-2012
INTERNATIONAL
STUDENT
INFORMATION

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WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY,

Founded in 1910, West Texas A&M University (WTAMU) is part of the world famous Texas A&M University System. For the second consecutive year, WTAMU is considered one of the best colleges in the American west by The Princeton Review (“2012 Best Colleges: Region by Region” posted at PrincetonReview.com). In 2010, West Texas A&M University was recognized in the coveted top tier of the “Best Regional Public Universities-West” category in the U.S. News and World Report’s annual rankings of America’s Best Colleges.

West Texas A&M University provides a unique blend of liberal arts and career-oriented educational opportunities, quality instruction, selective admissions, affordable cost, and a friendly and safe campus atmosphere. WTAMU serves a diverse student population of approximately 8,000 students including 235 international students from over 40 countries. WTAMU is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees.

University Structure

The University consists of five colleges and a graduate school:

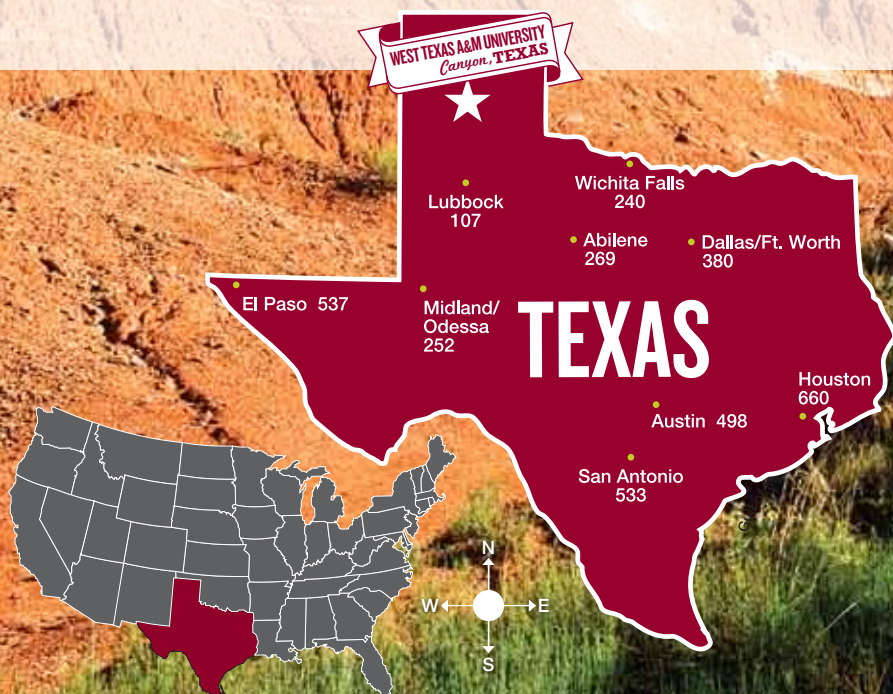
- College of Agriculture, Science and Engineering
- College of Business
- College of Education and Social Sciences
- Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities
- College of Nursing and Health Sciences
- Graduate School

Academic Calendar

- Fall semester—August to December
- Spring semester—January to May
- Summer session I—June to July
- Summer session II—July to August

Where is West Texas A&M University?

West Texas A&M University is located in the great state of Texas, the 2nd largest state in the United States. The University itself is situated in the city of Canyon, home to about 13,000 residents and located 15 miles south of Amarillo with 175,000 residents.



APPLICATION PROCEDURES

APPLICATION FORM - www.wtamu.edu/international

All foreign applicants must submit the following items for admission consideration:

- Admission application.
- \$75 nonrefundable application fee.
- Official transcripts with certified English Translation.
- Foreign credential evaluation report from “University approved” evaluation agency.
- TOEFL or IELTS.
- SAT or ACT (high school students).
- GRE or GMAT (graduate students).
- Proof of finances for visa (all students).

TEST REQUIREMENTS

WTAMU accepts either TOEFL or IELTS for language proficiency.

TOEFL Requirements

- Freshmen & Transfers-525 paper based; 197 computer based; 71 ibt
- Graduate Students-550 paper; 213 computer; 79 ibt

IELTS Requirements

- Freshmen & Transfer-6.0
- Graduate Students-6.0

SAT/ACT Requirements-Freshmen (Math+Critical Reading) Sections

ACT	SAT	GPA*
20	940–1010	2.0
18–19	860–930	2.5
16–17	770–850	2.9

*Based on 4.0 scale

GRE/GMAT Requirements-Graduate Students

- Some programs do not require the GRE or GMAT.
Please check www.wtamu.edu/academics/grad-masters.aspx for program specifics.

THREE YEAR DEGREE PROGRAMS

Globalization is, and will continue to be, one of the salient features of higher education in the 21st Century. Informed mutual recognition of higher education degrees is a corollary of globalization. The WTAMU Graduate School recognizes that with an increasingly global community, graduate admissions will increasingly confront student applicants who have a variety of credentials. WTAMU accepts three-year Bologna-compliant bachelor degrees and recognizes them to be equivalent to U.S Bachelor degrees. We also welcomes and encourages submission of non-Bologna three-year degrees for review on an individual basis.

TOP 5 REASONS TO ATTEND WTAMU

1

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Freshmen, transfer and graduate students with excellent academic performance are eligible for scholarships and resident tuition.

2

IT'S THE RIGHT SIZE

Our college-town atmosphere near big-city life is perfect for university studies. WTAMU is one of the safest college campuses in Texas.

3

IT'S AFFORDABLE

You can't beat the quality of education you'll receive at a price you can afford. The cost of attendance at WTAMU is 31-percent less than the average cost of all public four-year universities in Texas.

4

FACILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY LEAD THE WAY

Our state-of-the-art facilities are comparable to any "big" university. Our smart classrooms and technology will be a highlight of your learning experience.

5

OUR FACULTY CARES

Award-winning faculty will teach you everything you need to know in your area of study. Their personal approach to students is something you can't find at just any university.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Any scholarship award in the amount of \$1,000 or more (per academic year) will allow a foreign student to pay the Texas resident tuition rate. When you combine the scholarship award plus the benefit of paying resident tuition, a foreign student can save thousands of dollars per year in tuition cost.

SCHOLARSHIP DATES

Dec. 1— Early action date (Freshmen only); applicants will be notified about the status of their award(s) by Feb. 1.

Feb. 1— University scholarship priority date.

FRESHMEN

ACADEMIC SCHOLAR-\$2000 (per year)

Requirements:

- ACT/SAT Score 24/1120 **AND**
- GPA 3.4 based on U.S. 4.0 grade scale

DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR-\$1500 (per year)

Requirements:

- ACT/SAT Score 22/1050 **AND**
- GPA 3.3 based on U.S. 4.0 grade scale

DISCOVERY SCHOLAR-\$1000 (per year)

Requirements:

- ACT/SAT Score 24/1120 **OR**
- GPA 3.2 based on U.S. 4.0 grade scale

To continue the scholarship:

- Complete the University scholarship application by Feb. 1st each year
- Complete 30 hours at WTAMU for the academic year (Fall, Spring, Intersessions, Summer I, Summer II)
- Maintain a cumulative 3.3 GPA

GRADUATE STUDENTS

Scholarships are available, on a competitive basis, to students who meet the following requirements:

- Must be degree seeking
- Must be fully and non-conditionally admitted to a graduate program
- Must have a minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.0 based on U.S. 4.0 grade scale

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Transfer students are guaranteed at least \$1,000 in scholarship funds and the ability to pay resident tuition for the academic year if they meet ALL of the following criteria:

- If this is your first enrollment at WTAMU and you have completed a minimum of 15 hours at another college or university during the previous semester or 30 hours the previous academic year.
- Cumulative grade point average of 3.3 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher based on WTAMU's official calculation of accepted hours
- Complete the online scholarship application by Feb. 1.
- Complete admission requirements by March 30.
- This guarantee requires the student maintain full-time enrollment (15 or more semester hours) at WTAMU each semester the scholarship is awarded.

Each year, \$3.5 million in scholarship aid is awarded to WTAMU students.

Scholarships are renewable for a second year by maintaining both academic and disciplinary good standing by the university.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH STUDY (CONDITIONAL ADMISSION)

The English as a Second Language International (ESLI), located on the West Texas A&M University (WTAMU) campus, helps prepare students with English training for entrance to the University. Students are integrated into the academic, social and cultural life.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH CLASSES OPTIONS

• ESLI Only

Students study for one to two semesters in the ESLI center to meet English language objectives. However, these students do not intend to enter the University for academic studies.

• ESLI/Conditional Admissions

Students apply for admission to a University degree program but due to insufficient English skills, these students study intensive English at the ESLI center prior to beginning their degree program. Conditional admission students receive an I-20 for language training and a letter of pre-admission approval to the University for the visa interview. Upon completion of the ESLI program, a transfer I-20 for entry into the degree program will be issued by the University. Students who successfully complete ESLI are not required to submit a TOEFL exam for University entry.

EXPENSES FOR ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS	TWO SEMESTERS (NINE MONTHS)	SUMMER (10 WEEKS)
TUITION/FEES	\$10,576	\$5,288
ROOM/BOARD	\$4,750	\$2,054
BOOKS/SUPPLIES	\$500	\$250
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$600	\$155
PERSONAL	\$1,350	\$375
TOTAL	\$17,776	\$8,122



UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS and programs

College of Agriculture, Science and Engineering

Department of Agricultural Sciences

Agribusiness
Agricultural Business and Economics
Agricultural Media and Communication
Agriculture
Agriculture (Teacher Non-Certification)
Agriculture (Teacher Certification)
Animal Science
Equine Industry and Business
Plant, Soil and Environmental Science
Pre-Veterinary Medicine

Department of Engineering and Computer Sciences

Civil Engineering
Computer Science
Engineering Technology (Distribution)
Engineering Technology (Industrial Manufacturing)
Mechanical Engineering
Pre-Engineering

Department of Life, Earth and Environmental Science

Biology
Biology Education
Biotechnology
Earth Science Education
Environmental Science
Geology
Pre-Dental
Pre-Medical
Pre-Occupational Therapy
Pre-Pharmacy
Pre-Physical Therapy
Wildlife Biology

Department of Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics

Chemistry (Biochemistry)
Chemistry (General)
Chemistry (Professional)
Mathematics
Physics

College of Business

Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance

Accounting
Economics
Finance

Department of Computer Information and Decision Management

Computer Information Systems

Department of Management, Marketing and General Business

General Business
Management
Marketing

College of Education and Social Sciences

Department of Education

All-Level Education Certification
Elementary Education Certification
Secondary Education Certification

Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice (Administration)
Criminal Justice (Corrections)
Criminal Justice (Policing)
Emergency Management Administration
Political Science
Pre-Law Studies
Public Administration
Social Sciences

Department of Psychology, Sociology and Social Work

Psychology
Social Work
Sociology

College of Nursing and Health Sciences

Department of Communication Disorders

Communication Disorders

Department of Nursing

Health Sciences
Nursing (for new students)
Nursing (for LVNs)
Nursing (for RNs)

Department of Sports and Exercise Sciences

Athletic Training
Sports and Exercise Sciences (Exercise Science)
Sports and Exercise Sciences (Applied Sport)
Sports and Exercise Sciences (All-Levels Physical Education)

Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities

Department of Art, Theatre and Dance

Art
Dance
Graphic Design
Musical Theatre
Studio Art
Theatre (Performance)
Theatre (Technical Theatre)
Theatre (Theatre Arts)

Department of Communication

Communication Studies (Corporate Communication)
Communication Studies (Graduate School Preparation)
Communication Studies (Speech Performance)
Mass Communication (Broadcasting)
Mass Communication (Broadcast Journalism)
Mass Communication (Advertising/Public Relations)

Department of English, Philosophy and Modern Languages

English (Generalist)
English (Traditional)
English (Writing)
Spanish

Department of History

History

Department of Music

Music
Music (All-Level Certification)
Music (Business Emphasis)
Music (Composition)
Music (Performance)
Music Therapy (Instrumental)
Music Therapy (Keyboard)
Music Therapy (Voice)
Musical Theatre

Office of General Majors

Applied Arts and Sciences
General Studies

GRADUATE MAJORS *and programs*

College of Agriculture, Science and Engineering

Department of Agricultural Sciences

Agriculture
Agriculture/Animal Science
Agriculture/Plant, Soil and Environment Science

Department of Engineering and Computer Science

Engineering Technology

Department of Life, Earth and Environmental Sciences

Biology
Environmental Science

College of Business

Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance

Accounting MPA; BBA to MPA
Finance and Economics

Department of Management, Marketing and General Business

Business
Business/Health Care Management
Business/Information and Decision Management
Business/Management
Business/Marketing

College of Education and Social Sciences

Department of Education

Counseling MA; MED
Curriculum and Instruction
Educational Leadership
Educational Diagnostician
Instructional Design and Technology
Teaching

Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice

Department of Psychology, Sociology and Social Work

Psychology
Specialist in School Psychology
Social Work

College of Nursing and Health Sciences

Department of Communication Disorders

Communication Disorders

Department of Nursing

Nurse Practitioner
Nursing (Comprehensive)
RN to MSN

Department of Sports and Exercise Sciences

Sports and Exercise Sciences

Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities

Department of Art, Theatre and Dance

Art
Studio Art

Department of Communication

Communication
Interdisciplinary Studies

Department of English, Philosophy and Modern Languages

English

Department of History

History

Department of Music

Music
Music (Performance)



a great value at a
GREAT UNIVERSITY

ESTIMATED UNIVERSITY EXPENSES

FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS (NINE MONTHS)	BACHELOR'S DEGREE (15 CREDITS PER SEMESTER)	MASTER'S DEGREE (NINE CREDITS PER SEMESTER)
TUITION/FEES	\$16,306	\$10,794
ROOM/BOARD	\$6,628	\$6,628
BOOKS/SUPPLIES	\$800	\$800
HEALTH INSURANCE	\$600	\$600
PERSONAL	\$1,800	\$1,800
TOTAL	\$26,134	\$20,622

Note: All prices are subject to change.

**WTAMU IS RANKED ON U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT'S
AMERICA'S BEST COLLEGES LIST AND WAS NAMED
"BEST IN THE WEST" BY THE PRINCETON REVIEW.**

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