



Recognitions: National

Distinguishing Hallmarks of Texas A&M University

Texas A&M University is a unique institution in the higher education landscape, recognized for its combination of excellence, affordability, and ability to develop leaders of character who have an impact on the state, nation, and world. It combines the principles of practical education and outreach that are legacies of its land, sea, and space grant designations with the advanced research mission characteristic of membership in the Association of American Universities (AAU). Some of those distinguishing hallmarks include:

- First public university in Texas and one of only two flagship universities in Texas
- One of only a few universities in the country to be designated a land grant, sea grant, and space grant university.
- A member of the Association of American Universities since 2001
- The third largest student body in the Nation, according to the 2024 U.S. News and World Report. The Fall 2023 enrollment reached a total of 77,491 students.

Money magazine "Money's Best Public Colleges Report" (2023).

- 4.5 stars in the ranking (4.5 stars among the Public Universities) in the "Overall Money Rank"

Washington Monthly, 2023.

- 79th in the Nation (48th among the Public Universities)

Wall Street Journal/College Pulse, 2024.

- 38th in the Nation (6th among the Public Universities)

Ranking

- 20th among public universities, 47th among national universities – *U.S. News & World Report, 2024.*
- 50th in the nation, 18th among the public universities on the *Forbes America's Top Colleges List (2023).*
- 2nd in the nation in ranking "Top 10 Most Affordable Medical Schools in the US" – *Student Loan Planner, using data published by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), 2022-23*

- 6th in the nation among public graduate schools and 10th overall in "Best Engineering Schools" category – College of Engineering – *U.S. News & World Report, Best Grad Schools 2023-24.*
- 2nd in the nation among graduate schools for Petroleum Engineering – College of Engineering – *U.S. News & World Report, Best Grad Schools 2023-24.*
- 10th in the nation among graduate schools for Aerospace Engineering – College of Engineering – *U.S. News & World Report, Best Grad Schools 2023-24.*
- 10th in the nation among graduate schools Industrial Engineering – College of Engineering – *U.S. News & World Report, Best Grad Schools 2023-24.*
- 8th in the nation among graduate schools for Biological/Agricultural Engineering operated by the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and the College of Engineering – *U.S. News & World Report, Best Grad Schools 2023-24.*
- 3rd in the nation among graduate schools for Nuclear Engineering – College of Engineering – *U.S. News & World Report, Best Grad Schools 2023-24.*
- 10th in the nation among graduate schools for Veterinary Medicine – School of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences – *U.S. News & World Report, Best Grad Schools 2023-24.*
- 27th in the nation in the Best Colleges for Veterans category – *U.S. News & World Report, 2024.*
- 16th in the nation, and 2nd among the Public Universities in Study Abroad Rank – *U.S. News & World Report, 2024.*
- 29th in the nation, Best UG Business programs – *U.S. News & World Report, 2024.*
- 33rd in the nation, Best UG Computer Science programs – *U.S. News & World Report, 2024.*
- 13th in the nation, Best UG Engineering – Doctorate – *U.S. News & World Report, 2024.*
- 1st ranked in the 'Best Schools for Agricultural Public Services Graduate Degrees fo in the United States' -- *College Factual, 2024* <https://www.collegefactual.com/colleges/texas-a-and-m-university-college-station/rankings/#best>
- 1st in the 'Best Ocean Engineering Schools' -- *College Factual, 2024*
- 3rd in the 'Best Agriculture and Agriculture Operation Schools' -- *College Factual, 2024*
- 7th in the 'Best Industrial Technology Production Schools' -- *College Factual, 2024*
- 2nd in the 'Best Electronics Engineering Technology Schools' -- *College Factual, 2024*
- 8th in the 'Health Sciences and Services Schools' -- *College Factual, 2024*

Other Recognitions

- 6th in the nation in the number of research doctoral degrees granted according to the Survey of Earned Doctorates. TAMU ranked 4th in Engineering, 5th in Life Sciences, 12th in Physical Sciences and Earth Sciences, and 11th in Education – *NSF.gov, 2020 Survey of Earned Doctorates* <https://ncesdata.nsf.gov/explorer/datatables> (Tables 3 and 4: *Top 50 Doc. Institutions...; Top 20.....by Field of Study*)
- 7th in the nation in the research field of Nuclear Physics program ranking– *U.S. News and World Report (2023-24).*
- 5th in the nation in the Research Field of Inorganic (Chemistry) – *U.S. News and World Report (2023-24).*

- 8th in the nation and 6th among public universities in attracting new National Merit Scholars in 2020-21 – *National Merit Scholarship Corporation*
- Federal and state financial aid programs are leveraged to provide \$1.031 billion to 72% of our students.
- Eighty-three faculty with membership in the prestigious National Academy of Sciences (12), the National Academy of Engineering (31), the National Academy of Medicine (3), the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (13), the American Law Institute (16), in the American Academy of Nursing (8) (2023).

Recognitions: Texas

- #1 Best Value School in Texas public universities, *U.S. News and World Report, 2024*
- #1 in Undergraduate Degrees Awarded, *Texas Higher Education Coordinate Board Almanac, 2022.*
- #2 Best College for Veterans, *College Factual, 2023*
- #1 in Enrollment, *Texas Higher Education Coordinate Board Almanac, 2022.*
- #1 in Transfer Graduation Rate, *Texas Higher Education Coordinate Board Almanac, 2022.*

