Accreditations, Certifications and Approved Programs

Texas A&M University-Kingsville is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award baccalaureate, master’s and doctorate degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

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And Dietetic Internship by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education of the American Dietetic Association
(216 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60606-6995, 312-899-5400)

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Department of Music by National Association of Schools of Music
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College of Business Administration by Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs
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American Association of State Colleges and Universities
American Association of University Women
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American Council on Education
American Library Association
American Society of Engineering Education
Association for the Advancement of Collegiate Schools of Business
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Association of Texas Graduate Schools
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Council for Opportunity in Education
Council for Undergraduate Research
Council of Higher Education Accreditation
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International Association of University Presidents
National Association for Bilingual Education
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Purpose of the Catalog
This catalog is the official bulletin of Texas A&M University-Kingsville for the years 2010-2012, in which are published the record of the year closing, the announcements for the coming two years and the official regulations which will be in effect during the coming two years. Fees and policies (except standards and requirements for degrees) are, however, subject to change. This catalog may be viewed via the Internet at http://www.tamuk.edu/academics/catalog/.

The courses of instruction announced herein are those that are available for offering during the sessions of 2010-2012. Courses to be offered during any one semester or summer term are posted in the Blue and Gold Connection prior to registration for a particular semester or term. To meet evolving needs, the university does reserve the right to make changes in courses and to offer only those for which a sufficient number of students register.

The provisions of this catalog do not constitute a contract, express or implied, between any applicant, student, faculty or staff member of Texas A&M University-Kingsville or The Texas A&M University System. This catalog is for informational purposes only. The university reserves the right to change or alter any statement herein without prior notice. This catalog should not be interpreted to allow a student that begins his or her education under the catalog to continue the program under the provisions in the catalog.

Student Responsibility
Each student is responsible for knowing the academic regulations in the Catalog. Unfamiliarity with these regulations does not constitute a valid reason for failure to fulfill them.

Equal Opportunity Policy
In compliance with Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Executive Order 11246, Texas A&M University-Kingsville is open to all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or veteran’s status who are otherwise eligible for admission as students.

A&M-Kingsville is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and no applicant or employee will be discriminated against because of race, color, age, religion, sex, national origin, disability or veteran’s status in any personnel action. This university will not enter knowingly into contractual agreements for services or supplies with any firm failing to follow fair employment practices.

Contact the Compliance Office, Lewis Hall Room 130 - (361) 593-4758 for additional information.

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and Amendments Thereto
This act is designated to protect the privacy of education records, to establish the right of students to inspect and review their education records and to provide guidelines for the correction of inaccurate or misleading data through informal and formal hearings. Students have the right to file complaints with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Office (FERPA) concerning alleged failures by the institution to comply with the act.

Texas A&M University-Kingsville accords all rights under the law to all students. No one outside the institution shall have access to nor will the institution disclose any information, other than directory information, from a student’s education records without the written consent of the student, except to personnel within the institution, to officials of other institutions in which the student seeks to enroll, to persons or organizations providing student financial aid, to accrediting agencies carrying out their accreditation function, to persons in compliance with judicial order and to persons in an emergency in order to protect the health or safety of students or other persons. All these exceptions are permitted under the Act.
In compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, information classified as "Directory Information" may be released to the general public without the consent of the student. The following is designated as directory information:

Student's name, a local and home address, telephone number, major or minor, current class schedule, number of hours enrolled in current semester, classification, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received and all previous educational agencies or institutions attended.

Students reserve the right to suppress any information from being released without their consent. Any student wishing to withhold any or all of this information should notify the Office of the Registrar. The university assumes that failure on the part of any student to specifically request the withholding of directory information indicates individual approval for disclosure.

**Standards of Campus Conduct**

Members of the university community assume full responsibility for compliance with Texas laws and for proper self-conduct. In addition to behaving according to the ordinary conventions of adult society, members of the university community are bound by university rules and regulations conducive to creating a positive campus atmosphere and general academic well-being.

The code for student conduct is set forth in the *Student Handbook*. Specific attention is given there to rules addressing academic misconduct, hazing, sexual harassment and substance abuse, including alcohol abuse and the illicit use of drugs. Grievance procedures and guidelines for sanctions are outlined.

Standards of conduct for university employees are detailed in the Texas A&M University *System Policies*. The Texas A&M University-Kingsville *Faculty Handbook* sets forth rules and regulations governing academic freedom and responsibility, sexual harassment, substance abuse, conflict of interests, research policies and other professional issues. Grievance procedures are set forth there.

In order to create a healthy and pleasant atmosphere, a campus-wide smoking policy designates only certain areas for smoking.

**Hazing**

Hazing is a criminal violation under Texas law. A person may be found guilty of criminal conduct for hazing, encouraging hazing, permitting hazing, or having knowledge of the planning of hazing incidents and failing to report in writing his/her knowledge to the Dean of Students.

Both failing to report hazing and hazing that does not result in serious bodily injury are Class B misdemeanors. Hazing that results in serious bodily injury is a Class A misdemeanor. Hazing resulting in a death is a state jail felony. An organization found guilty of hazing may be fined $5,000 to $10,000 or, for incidents causing personal injury or property damage, an amount double the loss or expenses incurred because of the hazing incident.

It is not a defense to prosecution that the person hazed consented to the hazing activity.

Any person reporting a specific hazing incident to the Dean of Students or other appropriate institutional official is immune from civil and criminal liability unless the report is in bad faith or malicious.

This state law does not limit or affect the right of an educational institution’s right to enforce its own penalties against hazing.

The Education Code defines hazing as “any intentional, knowing, or reckless act occurring on or off the campus of an educational institution, by one person or acting with others, directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical
health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being initiated into, affiliating with, holding office in, or maintaining membership in an organization." The statute contains a list of conduct which constitutes hazing.

**Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act, Public Law 101-542 and Amendments Thereto**

This act is designed to provide prospective or entering students with information concerning (a) campus security policies and procedures, security services available, campus crime statistics and alcohol and drug use policies; (b) completion or graduation rate of full time certification-seeking or degree-seeking undergraduate students; and (c) graduation rate of student athletes who receive athletic scholarships. This information is contained in an annual report available in the library.

**University Assessment**

Students enrolled at Texas A&M University-Kingsville are required to participate in university assessment activities for the evaluation and improvement of university programs and curricula.

**Supplementary University Publications**

- *Campus Directory* (published by the Publications Office)
- *Faculty Handbook* (published by the Academic Affairs Office)
- *Student Handbook* (published by the Student Affairs Office)
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Aug. 3: Graduate and Undergraduate Students - Deadline to file Application for Degree Candidacy in December with Academic College Dean.
Aug. 4: Last class day.
Aug. 5: Final examinations.
Aug. 6: Commencement.
Aug. 7, 12 p.m.: Residence Halls close.
Aug. 9, 9 a.m.: All grades due via the web at Blue and Gold Connection.
Fall Semester 2010

Aug. 2  Tuition emergency loans start.
Aug. 3  Graduate and Undergraduate Students - Deadline to file Application for Degree Candidacy in December with Academic College Dean.
Aug. 18 Payment Deadline. A $35 Late Payment Fee will be assessed for registering and/or paying after this date.
Aug. 18 Book emergency loans start.
Aug. 23 General Faculty/Staff Meeting, Jones Auditorium.
Aug. 23 9 a.m. Residence Halls open.
Aug. 23-24 Meetings of deans with departmental chairs.
Aug. 23-24 Departmental meetings.
Aug. 23-Sept. 1 Javelina Welcome.
Aug. 25 First class meetings of all regular students.
Aug. 28 First class meetings of all Saturday students.
Sept. 1-10 Permission from the adviser and professor to register or change classes.
Sept. 3 5 p.m. Deadline for students applying for graduation to complete the Change of Name Request form with the Office of the Registrar.
Sept. 6 Labor Day holiday.
Sept. 10 5 p.m. NO REGISTRATION BEYOND THIS POINT. Twelfth Class Day. Census Date.
Sept. 10 4 p.m. Last day for students completing graduation requirements in December to submit their Application for Candidacy form approved by their Academic Dean with the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and to pay graduation fees.
Sept. 29 Five-week Point.
Oct. 1 Period for students planning May or August graduation to apply for Application for Candidacy forms with deans of their colleges.
Oct. 6 9 a.m. All five-week grades due via Blue and Gold Connection.
Oct. 29 Book and tuition emergency loan payment deadline.
Nov. 1 Title IV 60% of semester.
Nov. 1 8 a.m. Priority registration for spring semester 2011 opens.
Nov. 3 5 p.m. Last day to drop a course with an automatic Q.
Nov. 24 6 p.m. Residence Halls close for Thanksgiving holiday.
Nov. 25-26 Thanksgiving holidays.
Nov. 28 2 p.m. Residence Halls reopen after Thanksgiving holiday.
Dec. 3 5 p.m. Graduate and Undergraduate Students - Deadline to file Application for Degree Candidacy in May with Academic College Dean.
Dec. 6 5 p.m. Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the university.
Dec. 6-9 Dead Week.
Dec. 8 Last class day.
Dec. 9 Study Day (no classes).
Dec. 10-16 Final examinations.
Dec. 14 9 a.m. Graduating students' grades due via the web at Blue and Gold Connection.
Dec. 17 Commencement.
Dec. 18 12 p.m. Residence Halls close.
Dec. 20 9 a.m. All grades due via the web at Blue and Gold Connection.
# Spring Semester 2011

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<td>General Faculty/Staff Meeting, Peacock Auditorium (BES 100).</td>
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<td>9 a.m. First class meetings of all Saturday students.</td>
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<td>2 p.m. Residence Halls reopen after Spring Break.</td>
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<td>8 a.m. Classes resume.</td>
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<td>Apr. 4</td>
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First Summer Session 2011

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May 2
Graduate and Undergraduate Students - Deadline to file Application for Degree Candidacy in August with Academic College Dean.

May 24
4 p.m.
Payment Deadline. A $35 Late Payment Fee will be assessed for registering and/or paying after this date.

May 24
Book emergency loans start.

May 30
9 a.m.
Residence Halls open.

May 31
First class meetings.

May 31 - June 3
Permission needed from adviser and professor to register or change classes.

June 3
Friday Class (first week will run Tuesday-Friday).

June 6
4 p.m.
Deadline for students applying for graduation to complete the Change of Name Request form with the Office of the Registrar.

June 13
5 p.m.
Last day for students completing graduation requirements in August to submit their Application for Candidacy form approved by their Academic Dean with the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and to pay graduation fees.

June 14
Midsemester point.

June 14
Last day to drop a course with an automatic $Q$.

June 17
Title IV 60% of semester.

June 27
5 p.m.
Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the university.

June 29
Last class day.

June 30
Final examinations.

June 30
6 p.m.
Residence Halls close.

July 5
9 a.m.
All grades due via the web at Blue and Gold Connection.

July 29
4 p.m.
Book and tuition emergency loan payment deadline.

Second Summer Session 2011

May 2
Tuition emergency loans start.

June 28
4 p.m.
Payment Deadline. A $35 Late Payment Fee will be assessed for registering and/or paying after this date.

June 28
Book emergency loans start.

July 4
9 a.m.
Residence Halls open.

July 5
First class meetings.

July 5-8
Permission needed from adviser and professor to register or change classes.

July 8
5 p.m.
NO REGISTRATION BEYOND THIS POINT. Fourth Class Day. Census Date.

July 8
Friday Class (first week will run Tuesday-Friday).

July 19
Last day to drop a course with an automatic $Q$.

July 19
Midsemester point.

July 22
Title IV 60% of semester.

July 29
4 p.m.
Book and tuition emergency loan payment deadline.

Aug. 1
Graduate and Undergraduate Students - Deadline to file Application for Degree Candidacy in December with Academic College Dean.

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Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the university.

Aug. 3
Last class day.

Aug. 4
Final examinations.

Aug. 5
Commencement.

Aug. 6
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Residence Halls close.

Aug. 8
9 a.m.
All grades due via the web at Blue and Gold Connection.