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Texas A&M University-Kingsville
COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE HANDBOOK

To facilitate informed decision-making at the various administrative levels of the university, Texas A&M University-Kingsville provides for a broad-based input from faculty, staff, and student input through a framework of university-wide councils and committees. The system includes administrative councils and university committees who report to the appropriate administrator.

University committees and councils aid in the effective operations of the university by continually reviewing practices and policies in its area of concerns and recommending changes; instituting new policies and procedures; executing appeals processes; or fulfilling administrative mandates for the university.

Membership in a university committee is defined by the state criteria given for each committee. Individual committee members are selected by the appropriate office and/or recommended by representative bodies as applicable (Presiding Officer, Faculty Advisory Council, Council of Chairs, Vice Presidents, Deans, Staff Council, Student Government Association, etc.).

Faculty members recommended by the Faculty Advisory Council are nominated by the Council's officers or Presiding Officer after vacancies have been announced and applications invited. Appointments are made by the appropriate administrator. Student members to serve on committees are nominated by the President of the Student Government Association and are appointed by the appropriate administrator. The Staff Council nominates members of the staff to serve on appropriate committees.

Selections are made on the basis of the individual's interest, the needs of the committee, and maintenance of an equitable distribution of faculty and professional staff members on the various committees. In instances of resignations or other kinds of terminations, the designated administrator shall appoint new members to fill vacancies and complete the terms of the replaced persons.

In general, the annual period of service for committees is from September 1 to August 31. Other committees may elect their chairs annually.

Unless stated otherwise a quorum of more than 50% of the voting members is required for any committee to conduct business. Committees will meet at the call of their chair or on petition of more than 25 percent of the members. Annual reports of committee service should be succinct, but comprehensive, and should highlight to any recommended revisions in policies, practices, and procedures.

Texas A&M University- Kingsville is committed to providing an educational and work environment that is conducive to the personal and professional development of each individual student and employee. TAMUK does not discriminate on a person's race, color, religion, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, veteran status or genetic information as defined by federal law and state statutes. These protections extend to employment and admissions decisions. In addition, TAMUK does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its education programs and activities, including admission and employment, in accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and its implementing regulations.

If you have any questions or concerns related to equal employment opportunity, equal access, affirmative action or requests for disability accommodations, please direct them to the following individual who has been designated as the university's acting Section 504 and Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator:

Joe Henderson, Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer
Lewis Hall, Room 130
700 University Blvd. MSC 221
Kingsville, Texas 78363
joe.henderson@tamuk.edu
(361) 593-4758

The following individual is designated as the university's Coordinator for Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, responsible for inquiries and complaints alleging discrimination in educational programming and access based on sex:

Tasha Clark, Title IX Coordinator
Lewis Hall, Room 130
855 North University Blvd.
Kingsville, TX 78363
Tasha.clark@tamuk.edu
(361) 593-4761

Office of Compliance Mailing Address:
700 University Blvd., MSC 221
Kingsville, Texas 78363

Questions concerning Title IX may also be directed to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, D.C., 20202-1100, 1-800-421-3481, OCR@ed.gov."

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE PRESIDENT

CAMPUS CLERY ACT COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police

Membership: The committee is comprised of the Chief of Police, the Associate Vice President of Student Affairs/Dean of Students, the Executive Director of University Housing and Residence Life, the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Curriculum, Policy and Graduate Studies Support, the Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer, and the Assistant Dean of Students and Student Wellbeing.

Function: The committee is formulated to review data which is Clery Act reportable, to create and submit our annual Clery Act report, and to communicate about the report in accordance with the law. The committee will attend trainings as appropriate and work to educate the community about the law.

CAMPUS CLERY ACT COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Mr. Julian Cavazos, *Chair*	Mr. Joe Henderson
Ms. JoElda Castillo-Alaniz	Ms. Gina Smith
Ms. Kirsten Compary	Dr. Darin Hoskisson

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM

Chaired by: Executive Director of Enterprise Risk Management

Membership: The committee is comprised of the following personnel: Vice President for Student Success, Vice President for Finance and CFO or representative, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students, Chief Administrative Officer, Assistant Dean of Students and Student Wellbeing, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Curriculum, Policy and Graduate Studies Support, Executive Director of University Housing and Residence Life, Chief Marketing and Communication Officer, Chief of University Police, Chief Information Officer, Director of IT Infrastructure, Associate Vice President of Campus Operations, Director of Student Health and Wellness, Executive Director of the Citrus Center, Representative of Faculty Advisory Council, Representative of Staff Council, and, *ad hoc*, Academy High School and College of Pharmacy representatives.

Function: Edit campus Crisis Management Plan; prepare campus response in anticipation of major campus crises; initiate campus information and training in preparation for campus crises; and prepare mock disasters to assess campus response and readiness.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM

2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Shane Creel, *Chair*	Ms. Adriana Garza-Flores
Dr. Henry Burgos	Ms. Rosie Vela, *Staff Council*
Ms. Jo Elda Castillo-Alaniz	Dr. Darin Hoskisson
Ms. Joanne Castro	Dr. Jody Marin, *Faculty Advisory Council*
Mr. Julian Cavazos	Dr. Mamoudou Setamou
Ms. Kirsten Compary	Ms. Gina Smith
Mr. Gabriel Cavazos	Ms. Amanda Salinas
Dr. Mansoor Khan	Mr. Chris Vera
Mr. Jeremy Burns	

EMERITUS RANK COMMITTEE

Chaired by: To be elected

Membership: The committee is composed of representatives from the following degree-granting colleges: Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Arts and Sciences (one from arts and one from sciences), College of Business Administration, College of Education and Human Performance, and Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering.

Function: The committee shall meet before November 1. They shall call for nominations from the general faculty for emeritus rank. The committee is authorized to designate the format and type of supportive information the members desire in order to make its decision.

The committee shall publicize the call for nominations through appropriate publications and written announcements to the faculty. Nominations shall close at the end of the last working day of the following January. At the discretion of the committee, more time may be allowed for additional supportive materials to be submitted. A majority favorable vote of the committee shall be required for recommendation to the President. The committee shall forward its recommendations, along with brief narrative summaries of the accomplishments of the individuals nominated, to the President by March 15. After review by the President, the nominations will be forwarded to the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System for approval.

EMERITUS RANK COMMITTEE

2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Mauro Castro, *Chair*	Dr. Tom Krueger
Dr. Randall DeYoung	Ms. Fulden Wissinger
Dr. Sung-Won Park	Dr. Daniel Burt

FACULTY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE (Information from Faculty Handbook)

Chaired by: Elected from committee membership

Membership: Ad hoc, from faculty pool recommended by the Faculty Advisory Council, based on *TAMUK Academic Operating Procedure 1: Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure,* Section 4.

Function: 1) To gather and substantiate evidence, consider arguments, and receive testimony relative to the faculty grievance and 2) to report its findings and recommendations to the President.

FACULTY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE POOL
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Ya-Wen Melissa Liang	Dr. Haley Coleman
Dr. Brian Menaker	Dr. Enoch Asare
Dr. Gina Garza-Reyna	Dr. Brent Kinghorn
Dr. Benjamin Turner	Dr. Aniruddha Mukhopadhyay
Dr. Ashley Tanner	Dr. Nick Sciullo
Dr. Randy Stanko	Dr. Fang He
Dr. Matthew Alexander	Dr. Enrique Massa
Dr. Xue Yang	Dr. Xiaoliu Chi
Dr. Amir Hessami	Dr. Christine Hahn
Dr. Robert Villa	Dr. Thomas Zinninger
Dr. Ming Tu	

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Chaired by: The University's NCCA Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR)

Membership: The committee is composed of seven (7) faculty representatives, two (2) students, the Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR), the Associate Registrar, Executive Director of Student Financial Aid, Assistant Athletics Director-Academic and Compliance/SWA, and, *ex officio*, the Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics and Campus Recreation and Coordinator of Student-Athlete Services.

Function: The Intercollegiate Athletic Committee is focused on the growth, success, and maintenance of intercollegiate athletic programs at Texas A&M University-Kingsville that benefit students, student-athletes and community, demonstrate NCAA II Best Practices, and support the strategic goals of the University. The IAC is charged with promoting an understanding of intercollegiate athletics among the University faculty and providing external evaluation of the department's NCAA II compliance program and procedures, student-athlete academic performance, and student-athlete well-being. To carry out its general purposes, the IAC

advises and make recommendations to the President in the following broad categories:

- To advocate commitment to student-athlete welfare (e.g., Student-Athlete Advisory Committee initiatives and concerns, travel departure policy; missed class time policy);
- To promote an understanding of the Department of Athletics' mission among all members of the University community;
- To serve as an external evaluator by providing an annual review of the University's compliance policies (e.g., compliance policies and procedures, grievance procedures related to release to transfer and athletics aid renewal);
- To provide advisory support for the establishment, maintenance, and interpretation of Department of Athletics' policies and University policies as they pertain to intercollegiate athletics;
- To conduct the NCAA Institutional Self-Study (ISSG);
- To provide feedback on Federal, State, NCAA or Lone Star Conference (LSC) policies, procedures or regulations that affect student-athletes and the operation of intercollegiate athletics;
- To recommend policies relating to the use and/or maintenance of facilities normally under the supervision of the department of athletics;
- To review policies and initiatives regarding the competitive level of intercollegiate athletics at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.
- To provide near- and long-term feedback on sport program expansion and strategic planning.

In addition to making recommendations in the general categories described above, the committee will respond to requests for recommendations on matters involving intercollegiate athletics from the President of the University, the Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics and Campus Recreation, or the Faculty Athletics Representative.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Michael Houf- *Chair*	Dr. Michelle Garcia
Dr. Amber Shipherd	Ms. Alessia Rojas
Dr. Daniel Burt	Mr. Roger Hagan
Dr. Hans Schumann	Mr. Michael Salinas
Dr. James Glusing	Ms. Hanna Lantz
Dr. Kevin Francis	Ms. Clarissa Rodriguez
Dr. Christine Reiser Robbins	Mr. William Saenz

STRATEGIC EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Chaired by: President

Membership: President, Provost, Vice Presidents, and others as designated by the President.

Function: Advise the President on a broad range of administrative matters.

STRATEGIC EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Robert H. Vela, Jr.	Dr. Kristina Ramirez Wilson
Dr. Rosalind Alderman	Dr. Jose Espiritu
Mr. Henry Burgos	Dr. Robert Ayala
Ms. Adriana Garza-Flores	Ms. Anne Thurwalker
Mr. Jacob Flournoy	Mr. Michael Salinas
Dr. James Palmer	

UNIVERSITY APPEALS COMMITTEE (Promotion Appeals)

Chaired by: Elected from committee membership

Membership: One full professor from each tenure-granting College who has not served during that year on a Tenure and Promotion Committee.

Function: To review the appeal regarding the decision not to promote a faculty member and make a recommendation to the President (Section B.6.5 of the *Faculty Handbook*).

UNIVERSITY APPEALS COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Dean Ferguson	Dr. Christopher Hearon
Dr. Cynthia Galloway	Dr. Steve Bain
Dr. Jesus De La Rosa	Dr. Stephen Oller
Dr. Emil Badici	Dr. Eric Swartz
Dr. Melinda Brou	Dr. Randy De Young
Dr. Priti Verma	Dr. Ambrose Anoruo
Dr. Ruth Chatelain-Jardón	Dr. Veronica Ancona-Contreras
Dr. Linda Challoo	Dr. Michelle Garcia
Dr. Amber Shipherd	Dr. Greta Schuster
Dr. Norma Guzman	Dr. Jianhong-Jennifer Ren
Dr. Reza Nekovei	Dr. Francisco Aguiniga
Dr. Larry Peel	Dr. Tushar Sinha

UNIVERSITY PARKING COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police

Membership: Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police, Associate Vice President of Campus Operations, Executive Director of Campus Operations, Executive Director of Budget and Student Accounts, one faculty representative and one student representative.

Function: To periodically review the current parking plans and to propose alternative strategies for needed adjustments and refinements in serving the current demographics of the university.

UNIVERSITY PARKING COMMITTEE
2026- 2027 Membership

Mr. Brent McAffee, *Chair*	Ms. Hannah Burgos
Ms. Elisa Salinas	Mr. Ryan Burgos

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE PROVOST AND SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

ACADEMIC ADVISORY COUNCIL

Chaired by: Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Membership: The council is composed of the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Assistant Provost, the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Associate Vice President for Academic Success, the Director for the Center for Academic Technology, the academic deans (Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Education and Human Performance, College of Nursing and Health Professions, Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering, Graduate Studies, and Undergraduate Studies), the Library Director, the Registrar, the Dean of Students, the Director of Center for Faculty Excellence, the Director of the Mexican American Studies Institute, the Executive Director of the Institute for Rural Mental Health Institution, Associate Dean of Academic Success, Dean of Academic Advising and Retention, and the Presiding Officer of the Faculty Advisory Council.

Function: The council advises the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and/or the President on any matters of policy or procedure affecting the academic affairs programs of the university. As academic leaders of individual colleges, deans are responsible for initiating items for consideration and for keeping faculty informed, through departmental chairs and program directors, of policy and procedural issues.

ACADEMIC ADVISORY COUNCIL
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. James Palmer, *Chair*	Dr. Shad Nelson
Dr. Carla Crocker	Ms. Christine Radcliff
Dr. Dalila Salazar Morningstar	Dr. Renee Weiss
Ms. Kirsten Compary	Dr Jeffery Chernosky
Dr. Robert Ayala	Dr. Cheri Shipman
Dr. Rolando Garza	Dr. Jeff Glick
Dr. Scott Jones	Dr. Heidi Taboada
Dr. Darin Hoskisson	Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez
Dr. Jody Marin	Dr. Kathleen Lynch-Davis
Dr. Fidel Bem	Dr. Denise Neill

ACADEMIC DEANS COUNCIL

Chaired by: Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Membership: The council is composed of the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, the academic deans (Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Education and Human Performance, College of Nursing and Health Professions, Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering, Undergraduate Studies, and Graduate Studies).

Function: The council advises the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs on any matters of policy, procedure and student and faculty strategy affecting the academic affairs programs of the university. As academic leaders of individual colleges, deans are responsible for initiating items for consideration and for keeping faculty informed, through departmental chairs and program directors, of policy and procedural issues.

ACADEMIC DEANS COUNCIL
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. James Palmer, *Chair*	Dr. Shad Nelson
Dr. Darin Hoskisson	Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez
Dr. Dalila Salazar Morningstar	Dr. Heidi Taboada
Dr. Scott Jones	Dr. Kathleen Lynch-Davis
Dr. Denise Neill	

CALENDAR COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed by Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs from committee membership

Membership: The committee is composed of six faculty members (one from each academic college) recommended by the Faculty Advisory Council, one dean appointed by the Provost, one representative from Finance, one representative from Student Affairs, one representative from Academic Affairs. One staff member recommended by the Staff Council and two student representatives recommended by the Student Government Associate will serve a one-year term on the committee while all others will serve a three-year term. *Ex officio* members are a Provost Office Representative, the Bursar, Executive Director of Student Financial Aid and the Registrar.

Function: This committee recommends to the Provost the holiday schedule and the academic calendar.

CALENDAR COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez (2), *Chair*	Ms. Heather Rivas – *Staff Council*
Ms. Joanne Castro (2)	Dr. Xuewei Zhang (1)
Ms. Katelyn Garza (3)	Ms. Analiya Fleming (1), *Student*
Dr. Sarah Su Lin Lee (3)	Ms. Natalie Samarripa (1), *Student*
Dr. Rolando Garza (3)	Mr. Raul Cavazos, E*x Officio*
Dr. Sarah Lucas (1)	Ms. Norma Flores, E*x Officio*
Dr. Meral Culver (3)	Dr. Cheri Shipman, E*x Officio*
Dr. Blessing Ugwuanvi (2)	Ms. Leticia Cantu, *Ex Officio*
Ms. Shannon Aguilar (3)	

COUNCIL OF CHAIRS

Chaired by: Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs

Membership: Appointed chairs or acting chairs of each academic department in the Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Business Administration, the College of Education and Human Performance, College of Nursing and Health Professions, and the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering. The Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Assistant Provost, and the Associate Vice President for Academic Success serve as administrative liaisons to the Council.

Function: Serves as an advisory council to the administration and has the responsibility of providing, in conjunction with the administration, professional development activities in all matters pertaining to the position of academic department chair.

COUNCIL OF CHAIRS
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. James Palmer	Dr. Thomas Krueger
Dr. Aden Ahmed	Dr. Venugopal Mendu
Dr. Tanner Machado	Dr. Kyle Milsap
Dr. Breanna Bailey	Mr. Todd Lucas
Dr. Bart Ballard	Dr. Mahesh Hosur
Ms. Carla Crocker	Dr. Timothy Oblad
Dr. Daniel Burt	Dr. David Ramirez
Dr. Denise Neill	Dr. Dunren Che
Dr. Darin Hoskisson	Dr. Delia Valles-Rosales
Dr. Maura Krestar	Dr. Francisco Haces-Fernandez
Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez	Dr. Robert Ayala
Dr. Chang Sung	

FACULTY APPEALS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Elected from committee membership

Membership: *Ad hoc,* from faculty pool recommended by the Faculty Advisory Council, based on the *TAMUK Academic Operating Procedure 1: Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure,* Section 4 and Section 5.6

Function: To determine whether 1) the allegations in the appeal regarding non-renewal or non-tenured faculty member establish a prima facie case and 2) a formal hearing should be recommended.

FACULTY APPEALS ADVISORY COMMITTEE POOL
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Veronica Ancona-Contreras	Dr. Lorraine Killion
Dr. Steve Bain	Dr. Patrick Mills
Dr. Ruth Chatelain-Jardon	Dr. Reza Nekovei
Dr. Jose Daniel	Dr. Mais Nijim
Dr. Jesus De La Rosa	Dr. Jianhong Ren
Dr. Dean Ferguson	Dr. Christine Reiser Robbins
Dr. Michelle Garcia	Dr. Catherine Ming Tu
Dr. Gina Garza-Reyna	Dr. Robert Villa
Dr. Norma Guzman	Dr. Pamela Wright
Dr. Priti Verma	Dr. Weimin Xi
Dr. Jeff Glick	Dr. Jody Marin

FACULTY APPEALS HEARING COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Elected from committee membership

Membership: *Ad hoc,* from faculty pool recommended by the Faculty Advisory Council, based on the *TAMUK Academic Operating Procedure 1: Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure,* Section 4 and Section 5.8

Function: To determine whether the decision not to renew the faculty appointment or grant tenure was made in violation of the faculty member's academic freedom, or for an illegal reason as defined in Section 7.3 of *System Policy 12.01,* or without adequate consideration for the faculty member's record of professional achievement, depending on the basis of the faculty member's appeal.

FACULTY APPEALS HEARING COMMITTEE POOL
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Oscar Diaz
Dr. Colleen Ferguson
Dr. Marion Blake
Dr. Travis Braidwood
Dr. Reza Ahangar
Dr. Mauro Castro
Dr. Ankita Garg
Dr. Haeyoung Kim
Dr. Stephanie Tavera
Dr. Fulden Wissinger
Dr. Zhoufan Zhang
Dr. David Hicks
Dr. Jong-Won Choi
Dr. Teresa Young
Dr. Stephen Oller
Dr. Natasha Mast
Dr. Christopher Hearon
Dr. Linda Challoo
Dr. Randy Colvin

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Elected by committee

Membership: The committee will consist of one representative from each academic college, plus two additional representatives from the College of Arts and Sciences. Representatives will be elected each fall by the respective colleges.

Function: The Provost will appoint the committee each fall. The committee will gather applications from college deans. These applications will include the recommendations of the members of the applicant's department, his or her department chair and his or her college dean. The committee will review the applications and deliberate according to the *TAMUS Regulation 12.99.01 Faculty Development Leave*. Recommendations and rankings from this committee will be forwarded to the Provost who forwards the committee's recommendation along with his or her own recommendation to the President. All steps in the review process should be completed by November 15 of each year.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Kristopher Garza (3)
Dr. Weimin Xi (3)
Dr. Will Procasky (3)
Dr. Haibin Su (3)
Dr. Nick Sciullo (3)
Dr. Xue Yang (3)
Dr. Maura Krestar (3)

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Chaired by: The Director of Digital Education

Membership: The committee is composed of the Director of Digital Education, the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, two experienced faculty AI users, two faculty representatives, a faculty (writing) representative, a student representative, and one representative from each

of the following areas: Center for Teaching Effectiveness, IT, Office of Research and Innovation, Center for Student Success, Dean of Students, TAMUS CATIE (current or recent).

Function: The council will establish strategic guidance in response to the nationwide education transformation by Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI). This guidance will address the challenges and opportunities presented by AI, evaluating its impact on fulfilling and furthering the educational mission of Texas A&M University-Kingsville. The council will provide strategic guidance and support for AI. The charge is to:

- Examine AI's challenges, opportunities, and impact on TAMUK's mission attainment.
- Advise and establish policy surrounding the use of AI, particularly in academics.
- Create guidelines for the ethical use of AI in research, pedagogy, and administrative matters.
- Research and even develop AI applications, where possible.
- Host seminars and workshops to educate the TAMUK community about AI advancements, applications, and potential risks.
- Invite external speakers to share industry knowledge.
- Recommend ways to support faculty and staff in further learning and apply AI to their work, particularly in the classroom.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Rolando Garza	Dr. James Palmer, *ex-officio*
Dr. Kelly Hall	Dr. Xiaochuan Song
Dr. Jody Marin	Ms. Erica Bruder
Dr. Faranak Rabiei	Dr. Jeffery Chernosky
Mr. Dominic B. Faoro	Dr. Tresia Eaves
Dr. Richard Laughlin	Ms. Dominique Herrera
Ms. Kirsten Compary	Dr. Sunay Palsole

PRIORITY REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Registrar and University FERPA Officer

Membership: The committee is composed of one representative from each academic college nominated by the Dean, one student representative selected by the Student Government Association and the Registrar.

Function: The committee will meet once a year during the Spring Semester in order to make priority registration recommendations to the President for the following academic year. The committee will review new applications from groups of students requesting priority registration and will review previously approved groups every two years to see if the group meets the

established guidelines for being granted priority registration. Recommendations will be forwarded to the President for approval or disapproval.

PRIORITY REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Olivia Modesto (2)	Dr. Saoli Chanda (2)
Dr. Ilene Lee (2)	Dr. Matthew Alexander (2)
Dr. Jennifer Sholtis (2)	Dr. Cheri Shipman, Chair
Ms. Analiya Fleming (1), *Student*	

REGENTS PROFESSOR SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed by Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs

Membership: The committee is comprised of a total of seven members: the four most recent recipients of the Regents Professor Award and three other faculty members who are tenured, full professors nominated by the Faculty Advisory Council officers. The committee will include at least one representative from the following colleges: the Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Education and Human Performance, College of Nursing and Health Professions, and the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering.

Function: To solicit nominations from campus community, determine most worthy candidates, make a selection, and provide the name of the nominee for the Regents Professor Award to the Provost who, in turn, provides that information with his/her recommendation to the President. Upon favorable review by the President, the name of the candidate will be sent to the Chancellor for consideration. The Board of Regents has responsibility for final approval/disapproval of nominations for the award. A nominee must be clearly and indisputably outstanding, and the university is under no obligation to submit a nomination every year.

REGENTS PROFESSOR SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Bard Ballard	Dr. Ambrose Anoruo
Dr. Maribel Gonzalez-Garcia	Dr. Elvira Allison
Dr. Jieming Chen	Dr. Jianhong Ren
Dr. David Ramirez, *Chair*	

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Elected from committee membership by the committee

Membership: The committee is composed of one faculty representative from each of the following colleges: Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Education and Human Performance, College of Nursing and Health Professions, and Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering, all nominated by the Faculty Advisory Council, one faculty representative for graduate programs named by the Graduate Council, two undergraduate students and one graduate student nominated by SGA, and, *ex officio*, the Library Director.

Function: The committee reviews library needs in view of the university's academic programs and advises the Library Director on matters of general library policy, development of library resources, and determining the best methods to integrate the library program with other academic activities. It acts as an intermediary where needed between library users, library staff, and the administration.

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Sarah Lucas (1)	Dr. Chongwei Xiao (3)
Dr. Ashley Tanner (3)	Ms. Analiya Fleming, *Student*
Dr. Jasmin Euceda (3)	Ms. Debanhi Ramirez-Garcia, *Student*
Dr. Jose Daniel (3)	Graduate Student, *Student*
Dr. Marsha Sowell (3)	Ms. Christine Radcliff, E*x-officio*
Dr. Elvira Allison (3)	

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE VICE PRESIDENT OF ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Director of Admissions Strategy & Operations (AS&O)

Membership: The committee is composed of the Director of AS&O, the Director of Recruitment, and the Dean of Academic Advising and Retention. Additionally, there is one representative from the Division of Academic Affairs, and two faculty representatives appointed by the Provost.

Function: This committee reviews applicants requiring additional consideration, including exceptions, appeals, and special admission cases, and provides recommendations consistent with university admission policies, Texas A&M University System requirements, and applicable laws. The committee

promotes a consistent, transparent, and student-centered admission process while supporting student success and institutional enrollment objectives. The committee also reviews university admission standards annually for all undergraduate students and recommends any changes to the Provost.

ADMISSION COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Director of AS&O	Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez
Ms. Maggie Cano	Dr. Greta Schuster
Dr. Fidel Bem	Dr. Araceli Garza

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Vice President for Enrollment Management or Designee

Membership: The committee is comprised of university faculty, academic leadership, and support staff. Members include at least one academic dean, a faculty member, a representative from Student Success, the Director of Recruitment, the Directory of the Military and Veterans Resource Center, and the Associate Vice President for Enrollment Operations. Additionally, the committee includes one non-voting member appointed by the Associate Vice President for Enrollment Operations.

Function: The University Scholarship Committee serves in an advisory capacity responsible for reviewing and refining institutional scholarship policies and procedures, establishing guidelines for new scholarship creation, and recommending operational practices to ensure compliance with university and audit standards. Additionally, the committee evaluates individual student merit scholarship renewal appeals and considers departmental requests for competitive scholarship designations.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Mr. Raul Cavazos	Dr. Dalila Salazar Morningstar
Ms. Dominique Herrera Pena	Ms. Maggie Cano
Mr. Eloy Gamez	Dr. Breanna Bailey
Ms. Hanna Burger	Dr. Scott Jones
Ms. Cynthia Bustamante *(non-voting member)*	

STRATEGIC ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Vice President for Enrollment Management

Membership: The committee is comprised of a representative from each academic college as well as the Vice President of Student Success, the Vice Provost for

Undergraduate Education, Curriculum and Global Engagement, the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Curriculum, Policy and Graduate Studies Support, the Associate Vice President for Academic Success, the Associate Vice President for Strategic Enrollment, the Associate Vice President for Enrollment Operations, the Director of Strategic Enrollment Planning, the Chief of Performance Excellence and Strategy, the Chief of Marketing and Communications, and the Associate Vice President of Financial Services.

Function: The committee is charged with assisting in developing and implementing a comprehensive Strategic Enrollment Management (SEM) plan for the University. The SEM plan incorporates internal and external data points to make data-driven decisions that serve the best interest of the mission of the university.

STRATEGIC ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Rosalind V. Alderman, *Chair*	Dr. Scott Jones
Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez	Dr. Darin Hoskisson
Mr. Raul Cavazos	Dr. Shad Nelson
Dr. Robert Ayala	Dr. Kristina Ramirez-Wilson
Dr. Dalila Salazar-Morningstar	Dr. Kathleen Lynch-Davis
Dr. Adriana Garza-Flores	Dr. Heidi Taboada
Dr. Robert Ayala	Mr. Rocky Martin
Ms. Joanne Castro	Mr. Oscar Reyna
Dr. Denise Neill	

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

JUDICIAL APPEALS BOARD

Chaired by: Appointed from committee membership by the Vice President of Student Affairs and Community Relations.

Membership: The board is composed of trained faculty and staff. The required meeting quorum is three members. The Vice President of Student Affairs and Community Relations serves as *ex-officio* member.

Function: The board hears student appeals of proposed disciplinary actions associated with academic student misconduct charges and appeals of decisions made as a result of student grievances brought against a student, student group, faculty, staff, or university administrator.

In the case of hearing student appeals of proposed disciplinary actions associated with academic student misconduct charges, it is the

responsibility of the board to make a reasonable determination of the validity of charges against the student and to express its judgment regarding the appropriateness of the proposed sanctions. The student may choose an advisor to accompany, but not represent, him or her. In cases involving suspension or expulsion the decision of this board may be appealed to the Provost.

In the case of student grievances appeals, except in specific areas of dispute covered by other explicit policy (e.g., discrimination, sexual harassment), it is the responsibility of the board to make a reasonable determination of the validity of the student's charges and to express its judgment regarding appropriate resolution of the problem. The student may choose an advisor to accompany, but not represent, him or her.

The Judicial Appeals Board is expected to consult with The Texas A&M University System Counsel, through the Vice President of Student Affairs and Community Relations to assure that its procedures are legally sound and fair to all parties.

JUDICIAL APPEALS BOARD
2026-2027 Membership

Comprised, as needed, by trained faculty and staff. Assembled based on the case before the board.

STUDENT ACADEMIC SUPPORT COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Director of Student Academic Success

Membership: The Student Academic Support Committee is composed of the following representation: the Director of Student Academic Success, the Director of the Javelina Engineering Student Success Center, the Jav-A-Lab Coordinator, the Academic Success Coordinator, the Director of Student Support Services/STEM, and the Department Chair of Health and Kinesiology.

Function: The Student Academic Support Committee will lead a broad, university-wide initiative to integrate, expand, and elevate academic support services. Key areas of focus will include:

- Strengthening tutoring and supplemental instruction programs, with special attention to high-enrollment, high-challenge courses across the university.
- Developing and maintaining a comprehensive understanding of tutoring and academic support available across the university, including the courses and subject areas supported by each unit.
- Identifying service gaps and areas of overlap, facilitating appropriate referrals among campus tutoring and support providers, exploring opportunities for shared resources and coordinated

services, and making recommendations to improve the accessibility, efficiency, and effectiveness of academic support for TAMUK students.
- Ensuring equitable access to support services for traditionally underserved populations, including first-generation students, transfer students, and those from historically underrepresented communities.
- Leveraging technology and data analytics to improve the accessibility and effectiveness of academic support, including online and hybrid services.

The establishment of this committee reflects the university's strategic emphasis on academic excellence and student success. Our goal is to provide a seamless network of support services that enables every student to achieve their full academic potential from the first day of classes through graduation.

STUDENT ACADEMIC SUPPORT COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Alejandra Amaya, Chair	Austin McCoy
Daniel Burt	Veronica Hinojosa
Mark Cortez	Jacinda Vera

FIRST-GENERATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Director of Student Academic Success

Membership: The First-Generation Advisory Committee is composed of the following representation: faculty and staff from Student Engagement, the Office of Development, the Office of Financial Aid, the Center for Student Success, Athletics, Jernigan Library, and TRIO Programs, including the McNair Scholars Program and Student Support Services, as well as a student representative.

Function: The First-Generation Advisory Committee serves as an advisory and collaborative body supporting institutional efforts to enhance the success and experience of first-generation students. Key functions:

- Advises on institutional priorities, strategies, and budgetary decisions related to first-generation student support in collaboration with the First-To-Go Program.
- Identifies emerging needs, barriers, and opportunities affecting first-generation students and recommends strategies to strengthen institutional support.
- Provides guidance on the development, implementation, and assessment of first-generation programs, services, and initiatives.

- Reviews First-Generation Scholarship applications and supports the scholarship selection process in accordance with established criteria and available funding.
- Collaborates in the planning, coordination, and implementation of First-Generation Week events and activities.
- Promotes collaboration among academic and student support units to leverage campus resources, strengthen partnerships, and coordinate services for first-generation students.
- Supports initiatives that promote belonging, academic success, engagement, leadership development, mentoring, financial support, persistence, and degree completion.
- Advocates for increased awareness, recognition, and visibility of first-generation students and their experiences across the University.
- Leverages technology and data analytics to improve the accessibility and effectiveness of academic support, including online and hybrid services.

FIRST-GENERATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Alejandra Amaya, Chair	Veronica De Leon
Brigitte Acevedo, Student Representative	Veronica Hinojosa
Veronica Arellano	Dr. Hanna Lantz
Marina Barrera	Amanda Thompson
Cynthia Bustamante	Dr. Hector Vasquez
Cristina Briseno	Jacinda Vera

UNIVERSITY RETENTION COMMITTEE

Chaired by: The Vice President for Student Success and the Dean of Academic Advising and Retention

Membership: The University Retention Committee is composed of the following representation: the Vice President for Student Success, the Dean of Academic Advising and Retention, representatives from each of the colleges that are tied to the retention activities budget, and a representative from the Office of Student Financial Aid.

Function: The University Retention Committee (URC) leads institution-wide efforts to improve undergraduate retention, persistence, and timely degree completion by aligning policies, processes, and resources to reduce barriers to student progress. The committee monitors key indicators such as retention, persistence, DFW rates, and degree progress; coordinates academic support services including tutoring, supplemental instruction, and learning centers; and promotes student belonging and engagement through first-year experience initiatives, success courses, mentoring, and co-curricular connections to majors and careers.

UNIVERSITY RETENTION COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Committee membership is under development.

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT AND CHIEF FOUNDATION OFFICER

COMMITTEE ON NAMING AND RECOGNITION

Chaired by: Vice President for Institutional Advancement and External Relations.

Membership: Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the President and may be selected from university faculty/staff, alumni, or community leaders. Membership will include: (1) Vice President for Institutional Advance and CEO of the Texas A&M University-Kingsville Foundation, (2) Faculty Advisory Council Chair, (3) Staff Council Chair, (4) 2 members from the related department or college, (5) the respective dean, (6) the assigned development officer, (7) the Student Government Association president or designee, (8) 2 community leaders, and (9) Chief Administrative Officer or president designee. Final recommendations of the committee must represent a majority vote of the membership.

Function: Evaluate and recommend to the university president naming opportunities for buildings, definable areas on campus, and for academic entities, that are appropriate and consistent.

COMMITTEE ON NAMING AND RECOGNITION
2026-2027 Membership

Committee staffed as needed.

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE CHIEF OF PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE AND STRATEGY

CARING CAMPUS FACULTY

Chaired by: Two faculty co-chairs elected from membership, and an executive liaison.

Membership: Committee members are appointed by the provost or designee and should be representative of the TAMUK faculty. The total number of members will not exceed 25 faculty members. Members of the first membership cohort (2025-2026) will serve for 2-year or 3-year terms to allow for the staggering of terms. There will be two faculty co-chairs and an executive liaison. Faculty co-chairs may serve in this role for a maximum of 3 years.

Function: The Caring Campus Faculty Committee supports the institutionalization and sustainability of Caring Campus Staff through the following goals:

- Monitor and enhance Caring Campus Faculty throughout TAMUK.
- Support our colleagues in engaging in Caring Campus behavioral commitments.
- Ensure the Faculty Caring Campus works closely with the Staff Caring Campus.
- Set timelines for benchmarks.
- Determine implementation methods.
- Serve as a resource for Faculty by maintaining a catalog of best practices in implementing behavioral commitments.
- Manage a Faculty recognition program.
- Ensure the continuation of the Caring Campus purpose.

CARING CAMPUS FACULTY
2026-2027 Membership

Ms. Lydia Hernandez-Perez, *Co-Chair* (2)	Dr. Francisco Haces Fernandez (1)
Dr. Kristina Wilson, *Executive Liaison*	Dr. Maleq Khan (1)
Dr. Paul Holland (1)	Dr. Matthew Alexander (1)
Dr. Kendra Huff (1)	Mr. Ralph Villanueva (1)
Dr. Nuri Yilmanzer (1)	Dr. Aden Ahmed (1)
Ms. Fulden Wissinger (1)	Dr. Melinda Brou (1)
Ms. Melissa Hoskisson (1)	Dr. Olivia Modesto (1)
Dr. Christine R. Robbins (1)	Dr. James Palmer, *Ex officio*
Dr. Sarah Lucas (1)	Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez, *Ex officio*
Dr. Barbara Stottlemyer (1)	Dr. Jeffrey Glick, *Ex officio*
Dr. Lisanne Petracca (1)	Dr. Darin Hoskisson, *Ex officio*

COUNCIL FOR INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS AND PLANNING

Chaired by: Appointed by the President and Executive Leadership

Membership: Membership is composed of one representative from each of the academic colleges and representatives from Academic Affairs appointed by the Provost. The following representatives will be appointed by the Executive Leadership member overseeing each area: two representatives from Student Affairs, two representatives from Finance, two representatives from Enrollment Management, one representative from Institutional Advancement, one representative from Marketing and Communications, and one representative from Athletics. Members will serve three-year terms. The Chief of Performance Excellence and Strategy and staff from the Office of Performance Excellence serve as standing members of the Council.

Function: The Council for Institutional Effectiveness and Planning serves as the advisory body for university-wide strategic planning and institutional effectiveness processes. The Council has the following major tasks, duties, and responsibilities:

- Provide support and guidance on the development of the university's strategic plan;
- Review and make improvements to the Institutional Effectiveness planning and reporting processes;
- Assess the university strategic plan and monitor university-wide progress on student achievement metrics;
- Assist academic departments, colleges, and administrative units in effectively implementing and assessing university-wide continuous improvement efforts;
- Participate in the annual evaluation process of institutional effectiveness plans and reports and
- Seek to ensure institutional compliance with the standards set by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).

This body was formerly known as the Council for Assessment and Planning (CAP).

COUNCIL FOR INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS AND PLANNING
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Kristina Ramirez Wilson, *Co-Chair*	Dr. Cheri Shipman (∞)
Ms. Kathy Pawelek (1), *Co-Chair*	Ms. Miranda Joiner (1)
Dr. Matthew Alexander (2)	Ms. Jo Elda Castillo-Alaniz (2)
Dr. Robert Wells (2)	Ms. Cadi Lusk (∞)
Mr. Jeff West (1)	Ms. Hanna Lantz (3)
Ms. Jennifer Alexander (∞)	Ms. Shama Ali (3)
Ms. Abigail De La Mora (∞)	Dr. Evelyne Fitzgerald (2)
Dr. Haley Coleman (2)	Dr. Eloy Gamez, (3)
Dr. Francisco Haces Fernandez (2)	Dr. Carla Crocker, (3)
Mr. Kumar Kurapati (2)	Mr. Joe Henderson (3)
Mr. Rockwell Martin (2)	

JAVELINA CARES SQUAD

Chaired by: Two staff co-chairs elected from membership, and an executive liaison.

Membership: Committee members are appointed by the President and Executive Leadership and should be representative of the campus, including student support, academic, administrative, maintenance, and operations areas at TAMUK. The total number of members will not exceed 25 staff members. Members will serve for a minimum of one year and a maximum of three years. Staff co-chairs may serve in this role for a maximum of 3 years.

Function: The Javelina CARES Squad Caring Campus Staff Committee supports the institutionalization and sustainability of Caring Campus Staff through the following goals:

- Monitor and enhance Caring Campus Staff throughout TAMUK.
- Support colleagues in engaging in Caring Campus behavioral commitments.
- Ensure the Staff Caring Campus works closely with the Faculty Caring Campus.
- Set timelines for benchmarks.
- Determine implementation methods.
- Serve as a resource for staff by maintaining a catalog of best practices in implementing behavioral commitments.
- Manage a staff recognition program.
- Ensure the continuation of the Caring Campus purpose.

JAVELINA CARES SQUAD
2026-2027 Membership

Ms. Alexis Cano, *Co- Chair* (1)
Ms. Sari Flores, *Co-Chair* (1)
Ms. Dani Martinez, *Secretary* (2)
Dr. Kristina Wilson, *Executive Liaison*
Dr. Margaret Hennessey (1)
Ms. Jennifer Vela (2)
Ms. Tessy Walker (2)
Ms. Elisa Guerra (2)
Mr. Rolando Martinez (1)
Ms. Tarrah Bisch (2)
Ms. Sommer Bippert (2)
Ms. Margarita Yaklin (3)
Ms. Susan Dietz (2)
Ms. Mechelle Harbison (1)
Ms. Madison Lakers (1)
Mr. Jeremy Tamez (2)
Ms. Kristen Perez (1)
Ms. Yvette Perez (1)
Ms. Becca Taylor (2)
Ms. Patricia Hennessey (3)
Ms. Abigail De La Mora, *Ex Officio*

QUALITY ENHANCEMENT PLAN (QEP) IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed by the Provost and Chief of Performance Excellence and Strategy

Membership: Members are invited to serve by the Provost and Chief of Performance Excellence and Strategy, selected from faculty and staff, having expressed interest in the QEP.

Function: The QEP Implementation Committee oversees the implementation of the University's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) The committee works collaboratively to achieve the goals detailed in the plan and regularly monitors progress toward the attainment of student learning outcomes and other key performance indicators. The committee will also oversee the development of an annual progress report, based on the QEP's assessment plans.

QUALITY ENHANCEMENT PLAN (QEP) IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Jeffery Chernosky	Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez
Dr. Kristina Ramirez Wilson	Dr. Robert Ayala
Ms. Dominique Pena	Mr. Ralph Leal
Dr. Jeffery Glick	Ms. Cadi Lusk

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE VICE PROVOST FOR FACULTY AFFAIRS, CURRICULUM, POLICY AND GRADUATE STUDIES SUPPORT

CENTER FOR FACULTY EXCELLENCE (CFE) ADVISORY BOARD

Chaired by: Selected from committee membership

Membership: One representative from each of the following academic colleges: Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Arts & Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Education and Human Performance, and the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering. All college representatives serve staggered, three-year terms and are selected in consultation with their respective Dean. In addition, one representative is appointed by the Faculty Advisory Council.

Function: Advise the Director of the Center for Faculty Excellence on developing and recommending policies, procedures and new initiatives, evaluating teaching award candidates, and coordinating conferences.

CENTER FOR FACULTY EXCELLENCE (CFE) ADVISORY BOARD
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Jeffery Chernosky, *Chair*	Dr. Kelli Thompson* (2)
Dr. Theresa Chen (2)	Dr. Delia V. Rosales (1)
Dr. Elvira Allison (1)	Dr. Zhuofan Zhang (2)
Dr. Kayleigh Chalkowski (3)	Dr. Denise Neill (3)

* *Faculty Advisory Council Representative*

COUNCIL FOR STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Chaired by: Appointed by the Provost or designee

Membership: The Council is composed of representatives from the academic colleges. For the 2026-2027 academic year, representatives will consist of the Provost, Vice Provosts, College Deans, and Associate Deans. The following individuals will serve as *ex officio* members: the Chief of Performance Excellence and Strategy, the Assessment and Accreditation Officer, and the Director of the Center for Faculty Excellence (CFE).

Function: The Council for Student Learning Outcomes strives to ensure that TAMUK students gain the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to succeed in their chosen careers or future learning experiences. The Council has the following major tasks, duties, and responsibilities:

- Review and make improvements to the program Student Learning Outcomes (SLO) assessment processes;

- Participate in the annual evaluation process of program SLO plans and reports;
- Examine data and make recommendations for improvement of student learning; and
- Seek to ensure compliance with the standards set by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB).

This body was formerly known as the Academic Assessment Committee.

COUNCIL FOR STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. James Palmer	Dr. Heidi Taboada
Dr. Darin Hoskisson	Dr. Mahesh Hosur
Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez	Dr. Afzel Noore
Dr. Scott Jones	Dr. Kathleen Lynch-Davis
Dr. Michael Muzheve	Dr. Dalila Salazar-Morningstar
Dr. Brian Robinson	Dr. Denise Neill
Dr. Shad Nelson	Dr. Brent Kinghorn
Dr. Kristina Ramirez Wilson	Dr. Jason Apple
Ms. Cadi Lusk	Dr. Bart Ballard
Dr. Jeffery Chernosky	

GRADUATE COUNCIL

Chaired by: Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Curriculum, Policy and Graduate Studies Support

Membership: The council is composed of the Dean of the College of Graduate Studies and three representatives from each of the following undergraduate colleges: the Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Business Administration, the College of Education and Human Performance, and the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering (one representative appointed by the dean of each college and two representatives elected by the graduate faculty of each college). *Dean appointees serve for 2-year terms. Elected representatives serve for 3-year terms.*

Function: The council is responsible for developing and recommending policies and procedures concerning graduate studies such as: criteria for admission and retention, courses for graduate credit, proposals relating to new and existing programs, membership in the graduate faculty, evaluation of the quality of graduate education, and verification that students have met requirements for graduate degrees.

GRADUATE COUNCIL
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Darin Hoskisson, *Chair*	Dr. Scott Henke (2)
Dr. Elvira Allison (2)*	Dr. Bart Ballard (2)
Dr. Mike Tewes (2)*	Dr. Monica Wong-Ratcliff (2)
Dr. Zhuofan Zhang (1)*	Dr. Tushar Sinha (2)*
Dr. Xiaochuan Song (1)	Dr. Matthew Alexander (1)
Dr. Brent Kinghorn (1)	Dr. Catherine Tu (2)
Dr. Emelyn Salazar (2)*	Dr. Reza Nekovei (3)
Dr. Daehoon Han (3)	Dr. Brian Menaker (2)
Dr. Mona Cockerham (2)*	Dr. Nadia Moreno (3)
Dr. Teresa Young (3)	Dr. Cheri Shipman, *ex officio*
Mr. Joseph McGovern, *Student Representative* [+]	

*Dean Appointees serve 2-year terms.
[+] Appointed by the Dean of Graduate Studies and serves a single, 1-year term.

HONORARY DEGREES COMMITTEE

Chaired by: To be elected from committee membership

Membership: The committee is composed of six tenured faculty members with distinguished records and scholarship and publication, serving staggered three-year terms. Each year one member shall be appointed by Faculty Advisory Council officers and one by the President for a three-year term beginning June 1. The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or his/her representative shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting member of the committee.

Function: The purposes of honorary degrees awarded by Texas A&M University-Kingsville are to recognize excellence in the fields of agriculture, humanities and the arts, the sciences and pharmacy, education, engineering, business, philanthropy and social services, which exemplify the mission and scope of Texas A&M University-Kingsville; to honor meritorious and outstanding service to Texas A&M University-Kingsville, the State of Texas, the United States, or to humanity at large; or to recognize persons whose lives serve as examples of Texas A&M University-Kingsville's aspirations for its students. (Please refer to Texas A&M University System Policy 11.07 – Granting of Honorary Degrees)
*Appointed by the Faculty Advisory Council.

HONORARY DEGREES COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Mr. Jesus De La Rosa (3)*	Dr. David Hewitt (1)
Dr. Michael Houf (3)*	Dr. Greta Schuster (1)
Dr. Jody Marin (2)*	Dr. Tom Kreuger (2)
Dr. Darin Hoskisson, *ex officio*	

WRITING INTENSIVE COURSE COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed by the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs (AVPAA)

Membership: One committee member is appointed from each academic college following recommendations from college deans. Members are appointed to two-year terms but may elect to serve for longer period.

Function: The committee addresses issues related to Writing Intensive (WI) courses. The committee approves newly proposed WI courses in collaboration with the University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. Also, the committee monitors delivery, scheduling, and overall effectiveness of WI courses. The committee advises the AVPAA. The committee collaborates with the University Writing Center in a mutually beneficial relationship in which each unit advises the other for the purpose of continuous quality improvement regarding concerns and suggestions related to WI courses.

WRITING INTENSIVE COURSE COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Marsha Sowell, *Chair* (1)
Dr. Michelle Ramirez, (1)
Dr. George Noyes (2)
Dr. Jennifer Smith (1)
Dr. Stephen Oller (2)
Dr. Amir Hessami (3)
Dr. Jody Marin, *ex officio*

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

BANNER USERS' GROUP (BUG)

Chaired by: Appointed by the Chief Information Officer

Membership: The Banner Users Group (BUG) will have representatives from the following departments: Admissions, Business Services, Distance Learning and Instructional Technology (DLIT), Financial Aid, Graduate Studies, Housing, Human Resources, Institutional Research, International Student Services, ITS, Provost's Office, Registrar's Office, Student Success/Advising and Veterans Relations. The Chief Information Officer (CIO) will consult with the Directors of the various departments to determine their representative. Other areas may be invited to attend on an as-needed basis.

Function: The Banner Users Group members will propose and provide feedback to the Banner Executive Committee (BEC) on upgrades, improvements and change requests in Banner. The BUG members will test, document and train on Banner upgrades or implementation of new modules for their respective areas.

BANNER USERS GROUP
2026- 2027 Membership

TBA	
Cheri Shipman	Oscar Villarreal
Alexis Cano	Hernan Hernandez
Emily Morin	Dominique Meloni
Clarissa Rodriguez	Rebeka Silvas
Miao Zhuang	Leticia Cantu
Raul Cavazos	Rex Ashby
Gabriel Cavazos	Nickolas R Rodriguez
Sergio Ortiz	Krystal Emery
Kirsten Compary	Carla Crocker
Tracie Perez	Eric Robinson
Ayush Kapoor	Matt Burkhart
Cristina Valenzuela	Jennifer Vela
Oscar Reyna	Jennifer Garcia
Fidel Bem	Gina Merzbacher

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed by the Vice President for Research and Innovation

Membership: The committee must have a minimum of five members (including the chair). Membership includes a veterinarian, a practicing scientist, a nonscientist, and a member not affiliated with the institution.

Function: The committee reviews all activities with vertebrate animals to ensure the appropriate use, care, housing, and disposal of animals used for research, teaching, or other activities related to TAMUK; reviews and approves animal use protocols submitted by faculty members; inspects the animal facilities and reviews their program at a minimum of every 180 days; and files appropriate federal reports.

INSTITUTIONAL BIOSAFETY BOARD

Chaired by: Appointed by the Vice President for Research and Innovation

Membership: The board must have a minimum of five members (including the chair), with collective expertise in recombinant or synthetic nuclei acid molecule technology, the ability to assess research safety, and to identify potential risks to public health or the environment. The committee must include at least two members who are not affiliated with the institution.

Function: The board reviews and oversees all research that may contain biohazardous material or that involves recombinant DNA to ensure safety and compliance with regulations.

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS

Chaired by: Appointed by the Vice President for Research and Innovation

Membership: The board must have a minimum of five members (including the chair). It is composed of faculty and staff, at least one non-affiliated member, and at least one member classified as a "non-scientist" in the field of human subjects' research. The Vice President for Research and Innovation serves as the Institutional Official for the IRB.

Function: The board serves to protect the rights of human subjects participating in research. Members review proposed projects to ensure compliance with university and TAMU System policy and Federal Regulations related to

provisions for health, welfare, privacy, dignity and human concerns in research (physical, mental, and social).

TAMU-K COUNCIL FOR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH (TCUR)

Chaired by: Appointed by the Vice President for Research and Innovation

Membership: One representatives appointed by the Dean of each of the five undergraduate colleges: the Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Education and Human Performance, and the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering; five representatives from the undergraduate colleges appointed by the Vice President for Research from faculty members who are actively engaged in supporting undergraduate research. Two undergraduate student members will be appointed (one appointed by the Honors College Dean and one undergraduate student representative selected by Student Government Association).

Function: The Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K) Council for Undergraduate Research (TCUR) shall be the body responsible for facilitating the development of undergraduate research, and for recommending policy standards, criteria, regulations, and procedures for undergraduate research in accordance with policies of TCUR. TCUR will work with the administration through the Office of the Vice President for Research and Innovation to effect appropriate actions to promote undergraduate research at the University.

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE VICE PROVOST FOR UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION, CURRICULUM AND GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

COUNCIL FOR GENERAL EDUCATION

Chaired by: Appointed by the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee

Membership: The Council is composed of representatives from the academic colleges and representatives from departments with co-curricular missions (academic and student services units). Ten faculty members recommended by the academic deans – three faculty members from the College of Arts & Sciences; two faculty members from the Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of Agriculture and Natural Resources; two faculty members from the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering; one faculty member from the College of Business Administration; one faculty member from the College of Education and Human Performance; and one faculty member from the College of Nursing and Health Professions. Membership also includes the Faculty Coordinator for General Education. Council members will serve staggered terms of three years. The following individuals will serve as ex-officio: the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Curriculum, Policy and Graduate Studies Support, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences or designee, the Chief of Performance Excellence and Strategy, the Assessment and Accreditation Officer, the Institutional Effectiveness and Planning Officer, the Director of the Center for Faculty Excellence, the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Curriculum and Global Engagement, and the Associate Director of Curriculum and Transfer Pathways.

Function: The Council monitors the University's general education processes to ensure compliance with the standards set by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB). As an advisory body, the Council has the following major tasks, duties, and responsibilities:

- Review proposals for addition, modification, or deletion in the core curriculum and recommend approval or disapproval;
- As needed, review core curriculum course syllabi for alignment with required student learning objectives and best practices;
- Review university policies and procedures associated with the core curriculum (i.e., transfer credit, articulation, TCCN, degree audits, etc.) and recommend any actions or changes to the Provost and/or Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs;
- Establish sub-committees and task forces by component or other area where/if needed;
- Evaluate assessment data and make recommendations for improvement of core courses to colleges, unit faculty, and the provost; and

- Recommend changes to the core curriculum based on syllabi reviews and assessment data collection.

COUNCIL FOR GENERAL EDUCATION
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. James Palmer	Dr. Emil Badici, *Chair*
Dr. Xiaochuan Song (3)	Dr. Afzel Noore (1)
Dr. Jose Luis Daniel (1)	Dr. Stephen Oller (1)
Dr. Marsha Sowell (3)	Dr. David Ramirez (2)
Dr. Abiola Dipeolu (1)	Dr. Brian Robinson (2)
Dr. Consuelo Donato-Molina (1)	Dr. Scott Henke (2)
Dr. Kristina Ramirez Wilson, *ex-officio*	Dr. Jeffery Chernosky, *ex-officio*
Dr. Darin Hoskisson, *ex-officio*	Ms. Cadi Lusk, *ex-officio*
Dr. Maria Velez- Hernandez, *ex-officio*	Ms. Veronica Salas, *ex-officio*
Ms. Abigail De La Mora, *ex-officio*	Dr. Scott Jones, *ex-officio*

HONORS COLLEGE COUNCIL

Chaired by: The Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Curriculum and Global Engagement

Membership: The Honors College Council will consist of the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Curriculum and Global Engagement, one member of each of the undergraduate colleges of the University, one Honors College representative, and up to five additional members appointed by the Dean. The faculty representing a university college will be faculty with experience teaching Honors courses/contracts. They will be elected either by appointment or by election, as determined by the Dean of that college, and will serve for three years.

Function: Serve in an advisory role to the Dean on the administration of the Honors College and have primary responsibility for recommendations relating to curricula, methods of instruction, and other aspects of student life that relate to the educational process.

HONORS COLLEGE COUNCIL
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez, *Chair*	Stacy Scarborough (3)
Dr. Matthew Alexander (3)	Dr. Ruth Chatelalin-Jardon (2)
Dr. Zachary Nowak (2)	Dr. Christine Reiser-Robbins (3)
Dr. Maura Krestar (3)	Dr. Jody Marin (1)
Dr. Breanna Bailey (3)	Dr. Jeffrey Glick (1)
Dr. Matthew Gonzalez (3)	Dr. Nirmal Goswami, *Emeritus*

BAAS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed from the committee membership by the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Curriculum and Global Engagement

Membership: The committee is composed of the undergraduate degree advisor for the BAAS program, one faculty representative from each of the undergraduate college with a BAAS emphasis area recommended by the respective college dean, and a representative from Workforce Development. The appointees will serve staggered three-year terms.

Function: The committee reviews new emphasis areas and requests for combinations of professional development courses not previously approved. Substantive changes to the BAAS Program will be reviewed by the BAAS Advisory Committee. Depending on the nature of the changes, they may also have to be reviewed by the University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

BAAS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Maria E. Velez-Hernandez (3), *Chair*	Ms. Veronica Salas (3), *Ex-Officio*
Jazmine Auces (3)	Jeff West
Dr. Delia Rosales (3)	Dr. Venugopal Mendu (3)
Julian Cavazos (3)	Dr. Daniel Burt (3)
Dr. Denise Neill (3)	Dr. Jose Daniel Ayala (3)

UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed by the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Curriculum and Global Engagement

Membership: The college curriculum committee chair from each academic college, one additional faculty member for each academic college appointed by the Presiding Officer of the Faculty Advisory Council after consultation with the appropriate Dean, and an *ex officio* representative from Academic Advising, the Registrar's Office, and the Provost's Office. Faculty committee members are appointed for two years, unless they continue to serve for a longer period as college committee chair.

Function: The primary charge of this committee is to consider all new courses and new programs and modifications of existing courses and programs that are presented by the five undergraduate colleges. Also, the committee is to keep the university community apprised as to its deadlines for proposals.

UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Mr. Harmeet Singh (3), *Chair*	Dr. Kendra Huff (1)
Dr. Francisco Haces Fernandez (1)	Dr. Marsha Sowell (1)

Mr. Harmeet Singh (3), *Chair*
Dr. Lifford McLauchlan (3)
Dr. Tanner Machado (1)
Dr. Tolulope Agunbiade (1)
Mr. James Glusing (1)
Dr. Crystal Garcia (3)
Dr. Darin Hoskisson, *ex officio*
Ms. Pamela Rauch, *ex officio*
Ms. Veronica Salas, *ex officio*
Ms. Melissa Braden, *ex officio*
Dr. Kendra Huff (1)
Dr. Jennifer Sholtis (3)
Dr. Jody Marin (1)
Dr. Fernando Hernandez (1)
Dr. Amy Thomas (3)
Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez, *ex officio*
Dr. Kristina Wilson, *ex officio*
Dr. Cheri Shipman, *ex officio*
Dr. Fidel Behm, *ex officio*
Ms. Cadi Lusk, *ex officio*

SYLLABUS REVIEW COUNCIL–SB 37 (AND 08.01 AND 12.01 COMPLIANCE)

Chaired by: With its initial focus on undergraduate course syllabus reviews, this council will be overseen by the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, Curriculum and Global Engagement with staff support from the Office of Academic Affairs

Membership: The council is comprised of faculty and faculty-administrators to include representation from the following groups: Faculty Advisory Council (2), Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (1), Council for General Education (1), an Assistant/Associate Department Chair (1), an Assistant/Associate Dean (1), Director of the Center for Faculty Excellence (1), and the Ombudsperson (1) (may need to add a Program Coordinator). This is a broad body that is empowered to call on specialized/disciplinary expertise (faculty and Chairs) when needed to make an informed decision about the appropriateness of the content under TAMUS 08.01 and 12.01, Education Code 51.974 and 51.315(b), and SB37.

Function: The council will regularly review and approve courses to assess the course's relevance to the program's curriculum, fidelity to the body of knowledge in the discipline, and alignment with post-graduation needs of the students enrolled in the class. This review will supplement and not supplant any TAMUS-level course review. All syllabi should be regularly reviewed over a three-year rotation following the initial approval of a new course during the curriculum proposal process.

This council will review any syllabi that might be of concern from either a faculty or Department Chair prospective. The council will determine whether changes to a course are needed and share that determination with the faculty member, department chair, and dean. The council may re-examine the materials once changes have been made. Syllabi or courses flagged for presidential approval may need specific revision prior to presidential review.

SYLLABUS REVIEW COUNCIL – SB 37 (AND 08.01 AND 12.01 COMPLIANCE)
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Maria Velez-Hernandez, *Chair*	Dr. Elvira Allison (2)
Ms. Melissa Diaz (2)	Dr. Jody Marin (2)
Dr. Stephen Oller (2)	Dr. Bart Ballard (2)
Dr. Jeffery Chernosky (2)	Dr. Michael Houf (2)

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS/DEAN OF STUDENTS

BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION TEAM

Chaired by: Associate Vice President of Student Affairs/Dean of Students

Membership: The team consists of the Associate Vice President of Student Affairs/Dean of Students, the Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police, the Assistant Dean of Students for Student Wellbeing, and the Executive Director of Student Counseling and the Institute of Rural Mental Health. Others staff, such as the Executive Director of University Housing and Residence Life, the Executive Director of Human Resources, the Executive Director of Athletics and Campus Recreation, the Title IX Coordinator, and the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, or others may be utilized to assist and provide expertise to the team as needed.

Function: The team is an interdisciplinary committee of university officials that meets to discuss incidents or behaviors that are of concern and to ensure a systematic university response. Its functions are:
1) serve as the eyes and ears of the University by referring individuals who are exhibiting behaviors indicative of high risk in their respective areas across campus for review;
2) assess situations that pose a potential risk of harm to persons or property in the university community or are a substantial disruption to the educational process in accordance with policies stated in the Student Code of Conduct, university guidelines and Texas A&M System policies;
3) consult with the administration, faculty, staff and students affected by the inappropriate behaviors as appropriate to ascertain the facts of the situation; review cases/incidents that may occur in a specific location of the campus to discern if there is a pattern or connection with incidents occurring in other parts of the campus;
4) develop a specific strategy to manage the situation concerning the safety and rights of others and to minimize the disruption to the campus community;
5) coordinate the university response and follow up consistent with university policy, established protocols and state and federal laws. The team may consult with the Texas A&M University System Counsel through the chair for guidance as needed. Following a situation, the team will meet to debrief, evaluate the outcome and make recommendations to the appropriate university officials.

The team meets as needed. University Police reports and other incidents referred to the Dean of Students by other entities on campus are reviewed. The team works closely with the university's Emergency Management

Team. The team advises the Senior Student Affairs Officer (Vice President of Student Affairs and Community Relations) and other university officials regarding the resolution of critical incidents and/or conduct of individuals that may pose a risk to themselves or the campus community.

BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION TEAM
2026-2027 Membership

Kirsten Compary- *Chair*	Hanna Lantz *(as needed)*
Julian Cavazos	Renee Weiss
Jo Elda Castillo-Alaniz	Derek Gonzales *(as needed)*
Darin Hoskisson *(as needed)*	Gina Smith *(as needed)*
Tasha Clark	

Others as needed depending on the situation being reviewed.

SIGNATURE CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Coordinator, Student Engagement and Campus Life

Membership: The committee is composed of volunteers from the campus community.

Function: Plan celebrations for federally recognized awareness/heritage months.

SIGNATURE CELEBRATION COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Committee membership is under development.

STUDENT CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students

Membership: The committee is composed of the Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police, Executive Director of University Housing and Residence Life, Executive Director of University Housing, Assistant Dean of Students for Student Wellbeing, Executive Director of Counseling Services and Institute for Rural Mental Health, Associate Director of Athletics, and the Title IX Coordinator.

Function: The committee meets weekly (other than in the summer and during University semester breaks) to review student incidents or share reports or referrals from university offices, individual faculty, staff, students, or others regarding student behavior that is concerning, or a potential violation of the student code of conduct or university guidelines. The group uses this information to coordinate a university response, address student conduct issues where applicable, and identify university resources helpful to the circumstances. Information for addressing the concern, including

recommended changes or clarifications in campus procedures is reported to the Vice President of Student Affairs and Community Relations.

STUDENT CONCERNS COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Ms. Kirsten Compary, *Chair*	Ms. Tasha Ann Clark
Ms. Jo Elda Castillo-Alaniz	Ms. Hanna Lantz
Mr. Julian Cavazos	Ms. Gina Smith
Ms. Renee Weiss	Dr. Fidel Bem

UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed from the committee membership by the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students

Membership: The UDC's composition includes three trained faculty and staff. The Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students serves as an ex-officio member and advisor for the committee. Final decisions of this body are communicated through the chair.

Function: The UDC adjudicates non-academic misconduct cases that are serious in nature. The Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students determines the seriousness of the violation and will refer cases to this committee. It is the responsibility of the committee to make a reasonable determination of the validity of charges against the student and to express its judgment regarding the appropriateness of the proposed sanctions. The student may choose an advisor to accompany, but not represent, him or her. The decision of this body may be appealed to the Vice President for Student Affairs and Community Relations.

UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Comprised of members who have been trained in the university discipline and selected as needed for each case.

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE CHIEF ETHICS AND COMPLIANCE OFFICER

TITLE IX STAKEHOLDER'S GROUP

Chaired by: Title IX Coordinator

Membership: Membership consists of Title IX Deputy Coordinators, representatives from Student Health and Wellness, Human Resources, Athletics, Faculty, International Students Services, and Academic Affairs and key faculty, staff and students.

Function: Reviews university implementation of Title IX directions and expectations from federal regulatory agencies. The committee then assists with making adjustments as necessary. The committee will also assist with the planning of prevention and awareness events.

TITLE IX STAKEHOLDER'S GROUP
2026-2027 Membership

Ms. Tasha Clark, Chair	Ms. Shama Ali
Dr. Robert Ayala	Dr. Daniel Burt
Ms. Jo Elda Castillo-Alaniz	Mr. Julian Cavazos
Ms. Barbara Collins	Ms. Kirsten Compary
Dr. Shane Creel	Ms. Olivia Galindo
Dr. Jeffrey Glick	Mr. Gabriel Gonzalez
Ms. Sarah Guzman	Mr. Joe Henderson
Dr. Michael Houf	Dr. Hanna Lantz
Mr. Carlos Lopez	Ms. Evangelina Lopez
Ms. Clarissa Rodriguez	Ms. Vilma Saliinas
Ms. Gina Smith	Dr. Renee Weiss

UNIVERSITY COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Chief Ethics & Compliance Officer

Membership: The TAMUK Compliance Committee is comprised of stakeholders (generally director level or higher) who oversee many of the major functions of the university. These stakeholders are responsible for risk identification based on their areas of expertise and work function. A concerted and collaborative effort has been conducted to ensure that key compliance risks facing Texas A&M University-Kingsville are identified and a plan for mitigating them is established. Membership consists of the following: the Assistant Director of Compliance, Title IX Coordinator, Manager of Human Resources, Chief of University Police, Director of Student Health and Wellness, Assistant Vice President for Students Affairs and Dean of Students, Assistance Vice President and Dean of Students, Executive

Director for Enterprise Risk Management, Research Compliance Coordinator, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, Registrar, Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance and Academics, Director of Student Financial Aid, Chief Budget Officer, Executive Director and Controller of Financial Services, Assistant Director of Procurement Services and HUB Coordinator.

Function: The committee is responsible for the development and implementation of the university compliance plan, as required by System Policy. The committee oversees and addresses university compliance issues, with regard to system, state and federal regulations.

UNIVERSITY COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Mr. Joe Henderson, Chair	Ms. Sarah Guzman, Recording Secretary
Ms. Jennifer Alexander	Mr. Joseph Barrera
Ms. Jo Elda Castillo-Alaniz	Mr. Gabriel Cavazos
Mr. Julian Cavazos	Mr. Raul Cavazos
Ms. Tasha Clark	Ms. Kirsten Compary
Dr. Shane Creel	Ms. Abigail De La Mora
Mr. Hernan Hernandez	Dr. Darin Hoskisson
Dr.. Hanna Lantz	Dr. Richard Laughlin
Ms. Evangelina Lopez	Ms. Samantha Padilla
Dr. Cheri Shipman	Ms. Ann Taylor
Dr. Kristina Wilson	

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES REPORTING TO THE FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL

ANNUAL FACULTY LECTURE COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Previous year's Annual Faculty Lecturer.

Membership: The four most recent winners and one member from each college recommended by the Presiding Officer of Faculty Advisory Council.

Function: The charge to the Committee is normally twofold: (1) to plan a Spring reception and presentation of the Annual Faculty Lecture to be given by the faculty member selected in the previous spring; and (2) to solicit nominees and select an individual to deliver the Annual Faculty Lecture the following spring. In addition, an alternate is to be selected. An additional charge to this committee is to determine the feasibility of funding a stipend for the faculty lecture.

ANNUAL FACULTY LECTURE COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Ben Turner, Chair	Dr. Brian Robinson
Dr. Natasha Mast	Dr. Oscar Diaz
Dr. Zhuofan Zhang	Dr. Monica Wong-Ratcliff
Dr. Hui Shen	Dr. Teresa Young

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Chaired by: Elected by committee membership

Membership: Membership consists of one representative from each academic college and the Library.

Function: To select individuals for the various committees reporting to the Faculty Advisory Council and other committees requiring individuals chosen by the Faculty Advisory Council.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Levi Heffelfinger	Dr. Hisham Al-Bataineh
Ms. Melissa Diaz	Dr. Priti Verma
Dr. Ya-Wen Melissa Liang	Dr. Tushar Sinha
Ms. Mariah Boone	Dr. Hector Vasquez

ELECTION COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Elected by committee membership

Membership:

Function: The charge to this Committee is to conduct and oversee all university elections for the Faculty Advisory Council.

ELECTION COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Ms. Melissa Diaz	Dr. Ya-Wen Melissa Liang
Dr. Dean Ferguson	Dr. Nick Sciullo
Dr. Hisham Albataineh	

FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL STEERING COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Presiding Officer of Faculty Advisory Council

Membership: Presiding Officer, Associate Presiding Officer, and Secretary.

Function: To provide leadership for Faculty Advisory Council. This group also serves as the Ethics Committee which considers any ethical dilemmas or questions brought before it and in this capacity reports to the University President.

FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL STEERING COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Jody Marin, Presiding Officer	Dr. Amit Verma, Associate Presiding Officer
Dr. Andrea Vos-Rochefort, Secretary	Dr. Greta Schuster
Dr. Stephanie Tavera	Dr. Priti Verma
Ms. Mariah Boone	Dr. Norma Guzman
Dr. Reza Nekovei	

PIPER AWARD COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Most recent award recipient. If none, chair is elected by committee.

Membership: Previous recipients of the Piper Award and one faculty member from each college appointed by the Presiding Officer of the Faculty Advisory Council.

Function: To recommend a campus candidate for the following year's *Piper Foundation Award* for "dedication to the teaching profession and for their outstanding academic, scientific, and scholarly achievement." The committee shall, in collaboration with the office of the Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs, issue a call for nominations in the spring term preceding the final application deadline. Evaluation and selection of the final nominee will be conducted through the spring term, the decision announced

in August. The committee's nominee will then assemble his/her materials, to be submitted to the Office of the Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs at least on month prior to the final deadline (generally in mid-November). For more information: Piper Award Information Website

PIPER AWARD COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Paul Holland	Dr. Jason Hogue
Dr. Kendra Huff	Dr. Jinnelle Powell
Dr. Xue Yang	Dr. Crystal Garcia

POLICY REVISION COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointed by Faculty Advisory Council Presiding Officer

Membership: Membership consists of one representative from each academic college and the Library appointed by the Faculty Advisory Council Presiding Officer.

Function: To work with the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs on University Rules and Policies that require writing, revising or updating. The committee is charged with reviewing these documents, making recommendations to the Office of the Vice President of Academic Affairs, and reporting concerns and recommendations to the Faculty Advisory Council in a timely manner.

POLICY REVISION COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Theresa Chen	Dr. Sanku Datta Mudi
Dr. Ilene Lee	Dr. Amber Shipherd
Dr. Fei He	Samantha Villalobos

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Chosen from members.

Membership: Membership consists of one representative from each academic college and the Library.

Function: To approve/develop by-laws for Faculty Advisory Council.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Michelle Garcia	Dr. Stephanie Tavera
Dr. Norma Guzman	Dr. Joonyeoul Oh
Dr. Priti Verma	Ms. Mariah Boone
Dr. Hector Vasquez	

FACULTY EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Appointment by the Faculty Advisory Council Presiding Officer.

Membership: At least two members from each academic college and the library.

Function: To monitor the process of faculty evaluation in all its facets, including (but not limited to) the forms used for evaluation, the definition of relevant terms (such as "research" or "scholarly endeavor"), and student rating of instruction and its use in the evaluation process. This committee will recommend changes in the evaluation process to the full Advisory Council, and will act as the Advisory Council's representative for reviewing requests for change from any stakeholder.

FACULTY EVALUATION COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Randy DeYoung	Dr. Zachary Nowak
Dr. Dean Ferguson	Dr. Veronica Duran
Dr. Ruth Chatelain-Jardon	Mr. Harmeet Singh
Dr. Linda Challoo	Dr. Meral Culver
Dr. Jong-Won Choi	Dr. Avdesh Mishra
Dr. Nadia Moreno	Ms. Rebecca Saterbak
Dr. Bailey Smith	Ms. Skye Limon

FACULTY HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Chosen from members of committee

Membership: Membership consists of at least three Faculty Advisory Council members.

Function: The Committee's charge in this capacity includes recommending changes, clarifications, additions, and deletions in appropriate sections of the Faculty Handbook. The Committee is also responsible for editing grammar, punctuation, etc. in the Handbook. The Committee is also responsible for ensuring that versions of the Handbook posted on the University websites are correct and up to date (and any printed versions, as needed). Any new editions of the Handbook should be ready by the beginning of the Fall semester. Therefore, such changes should be approved by the May Faculty Advisory Council meeting whenever possible.

Recommended changes that are not required by System policy or state law should be submitted to the Faculty Advisory Council for approval at a regularly scheduled meeting. The Handbook Committee does not set policy, nor is it responsible for approving additions or changes. The Committee works closely with the Faculty Advisory Council officers and the Office of Academic Affairs, which are responsible for providing the Handbook Committee with approved policies and procedures.

FACULTY HANDBOOK COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Aniruddha Mukhopadhyay	Dr. Michelle Ramirez
Dr. Elvira Allison	Dr. Amit Verma
Dr. Robert Luckett	

FACULTY REINVESTMENT AWARDS COMMITTEE

Chaired by: Chosen from members of the committee

Membership: Membership consists of one representative from each academic college (2 from the college of Arts & Sciences) and the Library, appointed by the Faculty Advisory Council Presiding Officer.

Function: To inform the faculty and issue a call for Faculty Reinvestment Award Application packets during the Fall semester. The committee will collect Faculty Reinvestment Award Application packets, review and make award recommendations to the Faculty Advisory Council. The committee annually reviews the Faculty Reinvestment Award guidelines and recommends any changes to the Faculty Advisory Council.

FACULTY REINVESTMENT AWARDS COMMITTEE
2026-2027 Membership

Dr. Daehoon Han	Dr. Melinda Brou
Dr. Steven Chumbley	Dr. Xiaochuan Song
Dr. Roberto Torres	Dr. Maleq Khan
Dr. Stephen Oller	Ms. Amanda Melchor