CONGRATULATIONS

To the Regents’ Scholars Orientation Planning Board for the Class of 2023!

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Thank you to all who applied! Please keep an eye out for the Orientation Counselor application in spring 2019.

AGGIESERVE

STUDENTS SERVING AGGIELAND

AggieServe is a volunteer opportunity directory that connects Texas A&M University students, faculty, and staff to agencies and opportunities in the Bryan/College Station area.

Please visit http://aggieserve.tamu.edu for additional details.
Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15.

The PBS documentary Latino Americans chronicles more than 500 years of history. If you are looking for a study break, this documentary is a great way to learn about the rich and varied history of the largest minority group in the US.

Below are events sponsored by Texas A&M to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month.

**OCT. 3** - Not Latino Enough | Hermandad de Sigma Iota Alpha Inc.  
7:00pm - 8:00 pm • Rudder 402

**OCT. 5** - Salsa Night | International Student Association  
6:00pm - 9:00pm • Texas A&M Student Recreation Center

**OCT. 8** - Film Screening of Neruda (Pablo Larrain, 2013) | Department of Hispanic Studies  
7:00pm • HECC100

**OCT. 9** - Latinas in Medicine Panel | Latino Student Medical Association  
12:00pm - 1:00pm • HPEB LL30- Lecture Hall

**OCT. 12** - Eloteria Night | Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers  
7:00pm - 10:00pm • RICH 106

**OCT. 15** - Introduction to Integrated Healthcare with Kasier Permanente Northern California  
Latino Student Medical Association  
12:00pm - 1:00pm • HPEB LL30 - Lecture Hall

**OCT. 19** - Salsa Night Fundraiser | PRSA and Brazos Ballroom Dance Studio  
8:00pm - 11:00pm • Brazos Ballroom Dance Studio at 501 Graham Road, CS, TX

**OCT. 20** - Hispanic Veteran Heritage Video | TexVet  
Various Times • Updates through email and social media

For more information, visit:  
https://www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov or http://hpctamu.wixsite.com/hpctamu/hhm
WHAT IF MY MIDTERM GPR IS BELOW A 2.0?

You should know your Midterm grades by October 16. You can look them up on your Howdy Portal at howdy.tamu.edu. If you have D's and/or F's in any of your courses there are several people you need to speak with.

Talk to your professor. They can help you determine what you will need to do to make better grades on the remainder of your assignments. If you and your professor determine that it is impossible for you to earn a passing grade you should consider Q-dropping the course. Students are permitted four (4) Q-drops during their undergraduate studies. The Q-drop deadline is Friday, November 16.

Speak with Scholarships & Financial Aid in order to determine the consequences of Q-Dropping a course as financial aid can be affected.

Speak with your Academic Advisor regarding dropping the course. S/he can discuss other consequences of Q-dropping as well as tutoring opportunities. Now is also a great time to speak with your academic advisor regarding pre-registration for the spring 2018 semester. If your midterm grades were less than you expected, don't panic! Your professors and academic advisors are here to help you succeed!

Find free academic assistance on campus by visiting studyhub.tamu.edu. Make an appointment with the Academic Success Center to speak with an Academic Coach. You can find details at successcenter.tamu.edu.

Expect an email from scholarship-retention@tamu.edu in your TAMU email if you are below a 2.0 at mid-terms. Scholarship recipients who have below a 2.0 at mid-terms must attend an advising session and complete 5 weeks of academic assistance. We want to do everything we can to help you be successful at A&M!
TAKING CARE OF YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

Did you know that 75% of all mental health conditions begin by age 24? That’s why the college years are so critical for understanding and talking about mental health. NAMI created this video based on the guide Starting the Conversation: College and Your Mental Health developed in partnership with The Jed Foundation.

For more information about mental health, visit the National Alliance on Mental Health’s website: www.nami.org/collegeguide.

Need to talk to someone? Visit Student Counseling Services. You can set up an appointment to speak with a counselor for free. They offer a wide variety of services, so do not hesitate to reach out to talk to someone.

COLLEGE GUIDE VIDEO

Learn why College years are critical for understanding and talking about mental health.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=72&v=-jSn_C1IoWl
KNOW THE CODE

“An Aggie does not lie, cheat or steal, or tolerate those who do.”

You have probably heard someone mention this phrase in class or on campus. But, what does this really mean? Breaking the Aggie Code constitutes committing academic misconduct, can result in undesirable consequences, and may lead to expulsion from the university.

Before you start biting your nails and reflecting on your every academic behavior, we have identified and provided examples of what constitutes academic misconduct. Your job is to familiarize yourself with these examples and avoid situations that promote such actions.

According to the Texas A&M University Student Rules, academic misconduct may include, but is not limited to, the following acts: cheating, fabrication, falsification, multiple submissions, plagiarism, complicity, abuse and misuse of access and unauthorized access, violation of departmental or college rules, violation of university rules on research. However, if you have committed one of these acts in “honest error or honest differences in interpretations or judgments of data,” this does not constitute academic dishonesty.

An example of cheating:
During an examination, looking at another student’s examination or using external aids (for example, books, notes, calculators, conversation with others, or electronic devices) unless specifically allowed in advance by the instructor.

An example of fabrication:
Using “invented” information in any laboratory experiment, report of results or academic exercise. It would be improper, for example, to analyze one sample in an experiment and then “invent” data based on that single experiment for several more required analyses.

An example of falsification:
Changing the measurements in an experiment in a laboratory exercise so as to obtain results more closely conforming to theoretically expected values.

An example of multiple submissions:
Submitting the same work for credit in more than one course without the instructor’s permission.

An example of plagiarism:
Failing to credit sources used in a work product in an attempt to pass off the work as one’s own.

An example of complicity:
Collaborating on academic work knowing that the collaboration will not be reported.

Abuse and Misuse of Access and Unauthorized Access
Students may not abuse of misuse computer access or gain unauthorized access to information in any academic exercise. See student rule 22

Violation of Departmental or College Rules
Students may not violate any announced departmental or college rule relating to academic matters.

University Rules on Research
Students involved in conducting research and/or scholarly activities at Texas A&M University must also adhere to standards set forth in University Rule 15.99.03.M1 - Responsible Conduct in Research and Scholarship.

The Aggie Honor Code website has a wealth of information and more examples of academic misconduct. All examples and information taken from: “Rules and Procedures”: at aggiehonor.tamu.edu.

Aggie Honor Week is a week-long event aimed at educating the Texas A&M University community on the importance of Integrity! Come join us for Aggie Honor Week October 8-12!
MINUTE WITH MARY
Learn about FAFSA, TASFA, and the Continuing Student Scholarship

https://drive.google.com/a/tamu.edu/file/d/1YBbPrtxx-6d5IRVDMTE66M7ynceoQ7j/view?usp=sharing

THE 2019-2020 FAFSA IS NOW OPEN

File your file at fafsa.gov

Tackle the flu.
12th Annual SHS Flu Shot Campaign
*Free flu shots available for current TAMU students!

October 3 - October 4
Emerging Tech Building (ETB), Evans, MSC (near Copy Corner), Wehner
8am - 5pm

For more information, visit calendar.tamu.edu/shs

FREE STI Testing
Tests include: HIV, Syphilis, Chlamydia and Gonorrhea

Every first Wednesday in September, October and November
Testing available from 9am-3pm

WHERE:
Student Health Services (A.P. Beutel Health Center)

For more information, visit calendar.tamu.edu/shs

WORDS OF WISDOM
Obstacles don’t have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don’t turn around and give up. Figure out how to CLIMB IT, GO THROUGH IT, or WORK AROUND IT.
-Michael Jordan
The Undergraduate Research Expo highlights and celebrates undergraduate research experiences at Texas A&M University.

For more information, visit: https://calendar.tamu.edu/