

# GRADUATE SCHOOL INFORMATION

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## History

The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents approved graduate degree programs at the master's and specialist level for A&M-Central Texas through Tarleton State University on May 26, 1999. In 2009, Texas A&M University-Central Texas was established as a separate member of the Texas A&M University System, including an Office of Graduate Studies. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board approved the creation of a Graduate School in the fall of 2018.

## Administration

Administration of the Graduate School is the responsibility of the Dean of the Graduate School. The Graduate Council, comprised of graduate coordinator representatives from each college, assists the Dean of the Graduate School in establishing graduate policies and standard administrative procedures. The Dean of the Graduate School promotes the mission and goals of the Graduate School and has the authority to act for the administration and Graduate Council within the limits of policy.

## Vision

The Graduate School at A&M-Central Texas aspires to provide accessible and rigorous graduate programs and research within an applied framework. We are dedicated to providing the highest cognitive and affective education and research, while increasing regional, state, national, and global connections for all scholars.

## Mission

The Graduate School at A&M-Central Texas is a diverse mixture of educator-scholars and learners committed to accessibility and excellence in graduate education, service, and research to enhance knowledge, skills, and abilities. All graduate programs strive for continuous improvement through benchmark assessments, including internal and external peer-review.

## Values

The Graduate School at A&M-Central Texas provides support to the university core values within a framework based on "Service of Excellence."

### University Core Values

- Excellence & Achievement
- Compassion
- Integrity
- Knowledge
- Diversity
- Initiative
- Collaboration