GENERAL INFORMATION

Equal Opportunity Policy

Texas A&M International University will provide equal opportunity for educational programs or activities, employment and admissions to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout the University. No individual will, on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any University program, activity, employment or admission.

If you feel that you have been subjected to illegal discrimination, sexual harassment and/or related retaliation, please contact the Director of Equal Opportunity and Diversity, Lorissa M. Cortez, Killam Library Building, Room 159B, 5201 University Blvd, Laredo, TX 78045, (956)326-2857, lorissam.cortez@tamiu.edu. http://www.tamiu.edu/compliance/titleixcompliance.shtml

Institutional Effectiveness

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) and the State of Texas require institutions to demonstrate the outcomes and effectiveness of their programs and services. Information necessary to determine institutional effectiveness may take the form of surveys, focus groups or evaluations. Students are expected to participate in the collection of this information.

The Sue and Radcliffe Killam Library

Students and faculty at Texas A&M International University benefit from an attractive library facility that is well equipped to handle traditional print library resources as well as the rapidly expanding digital library services. They also enjoy an excellent discovery tool and access to the library collections through the WorldShare Management System's WorldCat Discovery. The collection consists of 974,388 titles including print books, eBooks, audiovisual materials, databases, electronic periodicals and Federal and Texas State Government Documents. Additionally, the library houses substantial collections in microfilm and microfiche as well as archival materials in the Special Collections.

The Texas A&M International University library belongs to TexShare, a state-wide resource sharing network featuring joint electronic databases, and the following state-wide services: an interlibrary loan agreement supported by a courier service and Internet document delivery and a universal library ID card. It is also a member of OCLC, a worldwide library network, which makes the collections of other institutions available to our users through interlibrary loan. Killam Library’s membership in the Texas Digital Library facilitates open access publication of locally produced digital materials such as theses, dissertations, electronic journals, research datasets, and videos from the Presidential Lecture series and the IBC Speaker Series. The library also belongs to a consortium of other Texas A&M University System libraries, which achieves greater value and more extensive resources through collective licensing of databases. More information on the Killam Library is available on the university web page (http://www.tamiu.edu/library/).

Persistence Statement - Graduation Rate

Texas A&M International University is committed to ensuring that all students are provided with an excellent high quality academic program, as well as robust academic support services. Both are designed to assist students to successfully achieve their individual goals and degrees in a reasonable amount of time.

Entering freshmen students enroll in First-Year Experience (FYE) courses. These courses embed several high impact practices that are designed for sustaining persistence towards graduation. The FYE courses introduce students to a common read, undergraduate research, and marketable skills employers seek (e.g., critical thinking/problem-solving skills, and communication skills), where writing and presentation skills, coupled with professionalism, are emphasized. University resources are also introduced, such as the Library, University Learning Center, Writing Center, and other academic support services as well as co-curricular activities. Mentor meetings, as part of the FYE courses, are held throughout the freshmen year to aid with academic issues and develop self-efficacy skills.

The 6-year graduation rate for the first-time, full-time freshman class at Texas A&M International University enrolled in Fall 2012 is 46%.

Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act

In compliance with the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (the Clery Act), the following information is maintained and available through the TAMIU Police Department:

Annual Security & Fire Safety Report

Texas A&M International University is committed to assisting all members of the University community, and prospective students and employees, with valuable information concerning their own safety and security. The Annual Security and Fire Safety Report (ASFSR) is available on the Texas A&M International University website at http://www.tamiu.edu/clery.pdf.

The ASFSR includes three years of statistics of reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the University, and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from campus. The Report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as procedures for evacuation of student housing, fire safety education programs, and policies and rules on appliance use, smoking and open flames in student housing are included.

If you would like to receive a paper copy of the ASFSR, you can stop by the TAMIU Police Department located in the Sue and Radcliffe Killam Library, Room 005, Laredo, TX 78041, or you can request a copy be mailed to you by calling 956.326.2100.
Tuition Rebates for Undergraduate Students

The purpose of this program is to provide a financial incentive for students that complete a bachelor’s degree efficiently, taking as few courses outside of their respective degree plan as possible. The program’s goal is minimizing the number of courses students take. The rebate for eligible students is a maximum of $1,000. For more information, please visit http://www.collegeforalltexans.com/apps finanzi1d/tofa2.cfm?ID=447

Application forms and instructions are available in the Office of the University Registrar located in ZSC 121.

Supplementary University Publications

Faculty Handbook (http://www.tamiu.edu/senate/handbook.shtml), published by the Faculty Senate.

President’s Report, published by the Office of Public Relations, Marketing & Info Services

Student Handbook (http://www.tamiu.edu/scce/studenthandbook.shtml), published by the Office of Student Conduct and Community Engagement.