



AGENDA

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS (CASA) BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (VIDEOCONFERENCE)

Wednesday, August 12, 2026
9:00 a.m.

Board Meeting Room, Board of Regents Annex
100 Gene Stallings Boulevard, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Committee Members:

Sam Torn, Chairman

John Bellinger

Bill Mahomes

Kelley Sullivan Georgiades

Bob Albritton (ex-officio)

The Committee on Academic and Student Affairs will convene a meeting on the following agenda.

- I. Chairman's Welcome and Comments Regarding Meeting Agenda -- Regent Sam Torn
- II. Presentation and Discussion of the Use of Standardized Tests in University Admissions Decisions
- III. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action re TAMUS Academic Institutions' General Education Review as required by System Policy 11.06 and Texas Education Code §51.315(b)
- IV. Discussion and Possible Action on Items Requiring Board Approval under Texas Education Code §51.103, §51.352, and §51.942
- V. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action re TAMUS Academic Institutions' Termination of Low-Producing Minors and Certificates as required by System Policy 11.09 and Texas Education Code §51.989
- VI. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action re Approval of New Degree Programs for System Universities
- VII. Legal and Personnel Discussion:
 - (a) Agenda Items II-VI;
 - (b) *AAUP v. Albritton* and System Policies, Chapter 08; and
 - (c) Compliance with Secretary's August 3, 2026, Letter: A National Call to Action to University Presidents and Governing Boards
- VIII. Presentation and Discussion of a Strategic Response to Proposed Performance-Based Funding Changes/R.O.I.

IV. Discussion of Next Steps and Directions for Items II through VIII

X. Possible Action on Items 1, 2, 3a-g, 4a-c, 5a-b, and 6a-k (*see attached list*)

The Committee may convene into executive session pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071, .072 or .074, or as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act on any of the items listed on the agenda.

Agenda topics are scheduled to follow each other consecutively but may be taken out of order.

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**LIST OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE
COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS - August 12, 2026**

- 1) Approval of the Low-Producing Minors and Certificates Report, A&M System
- 2) Approval of the Core Curriculum Review (*TAMUS Academic Institutions' General Education Review*), A&M System
- 3) Approval of Academic Tenure, September 2026
 - a) East Texas A&M University
 - b) Tarleton State University
 - c) Texas A&M University
 - d) Texas A&M University-Central Texas
 - e) Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
 - f) Texas A&M University-San Antonio
 - g) Texas A&M University-Victoria
- 4) Appointments (Interim Provost/Vice Provost/Associate Provost)
 - a) Appointment of Interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs of East Texas A&M University
 - b) Appointment of Vice Provost for Academic Affairs of Texas A&M University
 - c) Appointment of Associate Provost of Curriculum and Academic Quality at Texas A&M University-Victoria
- 5) Approval of Faculty Development Leave for FY 2027
 - a) Prairie View A&M University
 - b) Texas A&M University-San Antonio
- 6) Degree Programs (New)
 - a) Approval of a New Master of Science Degree Program with a Major in Agribusiness, ETAMU
 - b) Approval of a New Master of Fine Arts Degree Program with a Major in Visual Communication, ETAMU
 - c) Approval of a New Master of Healthcare Administration Degree Program with a Major in Healthcare Administration, Tarleton
 - d) Approval of a New Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Program with a Major in Nurse Anesthesia, Tarleton
 - e) Approval of a New Associate of Arts Degree Program with a Major in Business Administration, Texas A&M-Kingsville
 - f) Approval of a New Bachelor of Science Degree Program with a Major in Cybersecurity, TAMUT
 - g) Approval of a New Master of Public Health Degree Program with a Major in Public Health, TAMUT
 - h) Approval of a New Bachelor of Science Degree Program with a Major in Civil Engineering, TAMUV
 - i) Approval of a New Bachelor of Science Degree Program with a Major in Mechanical Engineering, TAMUV
 - j) Approval of a New Bachelor of Science Degree Program with a Major in Software Engineering, TAMUV
 - k) Approval of Three New Degree Programs with a Major in Public Safety Management (Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences), WTAMU

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