Prairie View A&M University is the second oldest public institution of higher education in Texas. Offering baccalaureate degrees in 50 academic majors, 41 master's degrees and four doctoral degree programs, the University has an established reputation for producing thousands of engineers, nurses, educators and corporate leaders. PVAMU has been dedicated to fulfilling its land-grant mission of achieving excellence in teaching, research and service since 1876.

- Located 45 miles north of Houston, the nation's 4th largest city
- Student-to-faculty ratio of 19 to 1
- Specialized programs in juvenile justice, architecture, teacher education, agricultural and natural resource sciences
- More than 90 student honor societies, clubs and other special-interest groups
- Over 90 percent of PVAMU students receive some form of financial aid including scholarships and grants

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Transfer Student Guide
TRANSFER ADMISSIONS

A student transferring from a community/junior college or another university with 15 transferable semester credit hours will be admitted with a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 or better on a 4.00 scale. Transfer applicants who have fewer than 15 earned and transferable semester credit hours must satisfy the regular requirements for freshmen admission (See Freshmen Admission brochure).

Courses accepted for transfer must be from a college or university accredited by one of the regional accredited agencies for higher education. Transfer courses must be similar in character and content to courses offered at Prairie View A&M University. Developmental, remedial and study skills courses are NOT transferable courses. Courses taken at community/junior college will NOT be accepted for transfer at the upper division (junior/senior) level.

A maximum of 90 semester credit hours may be transferred from an upper division institution toward a degree. A maximum of 66 semester credit hours may be transferred from a lower division institution toward a degree.

Only a grade of "C" or better may be accepted toward credit in either the major or the minor of the student.

Transfer students must satisfy all PVAMU graduation requirements to receive a degree from appropriate college or school.

NOTE: A student on academic probation or suspension from another institution is not in good academic standing and is not eligible for admission.

TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION ASSESSMENT-THEA

IN-STATE TRANSFER STUDENT

Students transferring from any Texas public institution must provide transcripts showing their current TSI status. Please note that developmental courses do not transfer to PVAMU. Transfer students who have not met all of the TSI testing requirements will be placed in the PVAMU developmental sequence based upon THEA scores. Transfer students who have satisfied TSI requirements must have this status documented on the official transcript. Transferring grades in certain classes does not signify that the student has met the TSI requirement.

OUT-OF-STATE TRANSFER STUDENT

Students transferring from out-of-state are still responsible for meeting the TSI testing requirements before enrollment can occur. Out-of-state transfer students can meet TSI requirements by transferring in a grade of "C" or better for the following courses:

Reading: HIST 1313, 1323
             POSC 1113, 1123
             ENGL 2153
             PSYC 1113

Math: MATH 1113

English: ENGL 1123, 1133

TRANSIENT ADMISSIONS

A transient student is a visiting student who is currently enrolled in another college or university, is in good academic standing, and desires admission to PVAMU for a limited period, usually one semester or summer term. Admission as a transient student is determined after the completed application has been reviewed and approved and the application fee has been paid. An official transcript will be required for THEA exemption.

INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER ADMISSIONS

All international students must comply with the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Undergraduate international students must complete:

• International Application for Admissions (www.applytexas.org)
• Non-refundable $50 application fee
• Completed Affidavit of Financial Support form
• Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of at least 500
• Evaluation of foreign transcripts by Educational Credential Evaluators, Span Tran Educational Services or World Education Services
• All international students admitted to the University must first report to the Immigration Services Coordinator, W.R. Banks #123 and present all immigration documents for inspection. All immunization records are to be presented directly to the Owens-Franklin Health Center.

ACADEMIC FRESH START PROGRAM

According to Section 51.931 of the Texas Education Code, a Texas resident may apply for admission to the University as an undergraduate student. The applicant must meet the standards for one of the other types of admission. Students admitted under the "Fresh Start" option may not receive credit for any course work taken ten or more years prior to enrollment. A student who elects the Fresh Start option will forfeit TASIP exemption normally awarded to a student who had earned 3 SCH of transferable college work before 1989. Admitted Fresh Start applicants have “Academic Fresh Start” indicated on their Prairie View A&M University transcript. Forfeited course work cannot be considered as prerequisites, but placement examinations are allowed for courses that were not considered for admission because of the Fresh Start. Once admitted on Academic Fresh Start, the enrolled student cannot subsequently request that the Fresh Start policy restrictions be removed.
TWO + TWO DEGREE PLANS

Prairie View A&M University has signed Articulation Degree Plans with several junior/community colleges:
- Austin Community College
- Angelina College
- Blinn College
- Central Texas College
- City College of San Francisco
- College of the Mainland
- Compton College
- Dallas County Community College
- Houston Community College
- Huston-Tillotson College
- Lee College
- Lone Star College-CyFair
- San Jacinto Colleges
- St. Philip's College
- Tarrant County Colleges

These degree programs are as follows:

**UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL ACADEMY**
- Marvin B. and June Samuel Brailsford College of Arts and Sciences
  - Biology: BS, MS
  - Chemistry: BS, MS
  - English: BA, MA
  - Spanish: BA
  - Communications: BA
  - Mathematics: BS, MS
  - Drama: BA
  - Music: BA, BM
  - Physics: BS
  - History: BA
  - Political Science: BA
  - Social Work: BASW
  - Sociology: BA, MA

**COLLEGE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE & PSYCHOLOGY**
- Criminal Justice: BS
- Criminal Justice with Juvenile Justice Specialization: BS
- Psychology: BS
- Juvenile Justice: MS, PhD
- Juvenile Forensic Psychology: MS
- Clinical Adolescent Psychology: PhD

**SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE**
- Architecture: BS, MArch
- Construction Science: BS
- Community Development: MCD

**COLLEGE OF NURSING**
- Nursing: BSN, MSN
- Family Nurse Practitioner: MSN NP

**COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN SCIENCES**
- Agriculture: BS/AG
- Human Nutrition & Food: BSD/ET
- Human Sciences: MS
- Family and Community Service: BSHS
- Agri-Economics: MS
- Animal Science: MS
- Soil Science: MS

**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS**
- Accounting: BBA, MSA
- Management Information Systems: BBA
- Finance: BBA
- Management: BBA
- Marketing: BBA
- General Business Administration: MBA

**ROY G. PERRY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**
- Chemical Engineering: BS/CE
- Civil Engineering: BS/CE
- Computer Science: BS, MS
- Computer Information Systems: MS
- Computer Engineering: BS
- Electrical Engineering: BSEE, MSEE, PhD
- Mechanical Engineering: BSME
- Computer Engineering Technology: BSCET
- Electrical Engineering Technology: BSEEET
- Mechanical Engineering Technology: MSEN

**WHITLOWE R. GREEN COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**
- Counseling: MA
- Curriculum and Instruction: MED, MSED
- Educational Administration: MED, MSED
- Educational Leadership: PhD
- Health: BS
- Health and Physical Education: MED, MS
- Health and Physical Education - Health: MED, MS
- Human Performance: BS
- Interdisciplinary Studies: BS
- Special Education: MED, MSED
- Industrial Technology: BSTCH
- Alternative Teacher Certification: 8-12 Certification
THE CORE CURRICULUM

All degree programs must include a minimum of 42 semester hours of course work from approved areas of study and recognized as the required general education program. Listed in the right column are the equivalent courses that may be transferred from Texas community and junior colleges as approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and published in the Community General Academic Course Guide Manual, effective September 2002.

To assist students who transfer to PVAMU from other public colleges and universities in Texas, the University carefully evaluates course credits presented for acceptance toward fulfillment of degree requirements. If the University denies credit for a course a student has taken at another institution, notification of the denial will be transmitted to the student and the institution at which credit was earned. The procedures for the contest of denial of credit can be obtained from the PVAMU Office of Admissions.

For a more detailed listing of PVAMU course equivalencies go to www.TCCNS.org.
UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP OFFICE

The Scholarship Office at the Prairie View A&M University offers a number of scholarships designed for undergraduate, transfer and continuing students who show promise through academics, leadership and/or community involvement. The scholarship may be awarded based on merit, financial need, diversity or other circumstantial and academic major considerations. Scholarships will be awarded as long as funding is available.

All 50 states offer some form of financial aid to college students, including scholarships and grants.

PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

Many employers, community groups, professional organizations, foundations and businesses have scholarship and grant programs. Information is available through libraries, financial aid offices and the Internet.

COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NON-RESIDENT FEE WAIVERS

The recipient of a competitive institutional scholarship of at least $1,000 for the academic year and/or summer for which the student is enrolled may be entitled to pay in-state tuition rates. That means non-resident students may receive the benefit of resident tuition. An official academic college/department scholarship committee must award the scholarship and the recipient must compete with other students, including Texas residents. The scholarship award must total $1,000 or more.

Students participating in the University Academic Scholarship Program may receive an out-of-state tuition waiver as long as they are in good standing and there are no mandated changes by Prairie View A&M University or the Texas Legislature.

OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

The donor should send the student's scholarship check, made payable to PVAMU with a cover letter to the Scholarship Office, Prairie View A&M University, P. O. Box 519, MS# 1005, Prairie View, Texas 77446.

The cover letter should include student name, social security number and instructions for disbursement. It is also helpful to have the student name and social security number on the check in the memo section.

TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS

Admission to the University is required for scholarship consideration. All transfer scholarships administered through the PVAMU Scholarship Office are reserved for first-time PVAMU enrollees pursuing their first baccalaureate degree. Transfer scholarships require full-time enrollment for the duration of the scholarship. In cases of multiple eligibility, students may receive only one general scholarship.

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