General Information
Texas A&M University was founded in 1876 and is the sixth-largest university in the country and enrolls over 50,000 students, including over 10,000 graduate students. This includes more than 5,000 international students from more than 130 countries.

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences was formally organized as a college in 1911. Current enrollment is 1,300 graduate students and 6,000 undergraduate students in 14 academic departments and 6 interdisciplinary programs. The College has one of the highest agricultural enrollments and degrees awarded in the country. Texas A&M University is a land-grant university, thus the College works interactively with Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to meet the needs of both students and society.

Distinguished Faculty
Over 400 nationally recognized faculty, including a Nobel laureate, outstanding advisers who focus on the individual student, innovative and experiential learning methods, and world-renowned researchers all contribute to making the college rank among the very best in the nation.

Research
There are about 750 graduate faculty in the College, which includes graduate faculty members from Texas A&M AgriLife Research, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, and State and Federal research agencies located in the area. There are active research programs in virtually every area of food, environment, health, and social sciences.
Five Grand Challenges
The World faces many complex challenges and the College is committed to finding solutions to the following Grand Challenges facing our World.
- Protecting Our Environment
- Enriching Our Youth
- Improving Our Health
- Feeding our World
- Growing Our Economy
Graduate education is central to the scientific advances needed to solve these Grand Challenges.

Extensive Facilities
The College has state of the art laboratory, testing, and field research facilities. There are 13 Texas A&M research and extension centers across the State of Texas where graduate students conduct research. Many faculty have active international research programs to participate in.

Graduate Degrees
The College offers 36 master-level and 26 doctoral-level degrees in departmental and interdisciplinary degree programs. The degrees encompass professional master’s and doctoral degrees, Master of Science and PhD degrees. Of these degrees, 10 are offered at a distance, of which some are offered blended and some completely online. Distance degrees are denoted by a DE superscript in the Majors and Degrees table. Majors are offered in traditional agricultural fields, biological and environmental science, education, economics and social science.

Interested in Applying?
When seeking admission to graduate school at Texas A&M University, you should submit your application and all required items through the ApplyTexas online application website. Admission information can be found at: http://admissions.tamu.edu/. The final decision to admit an applicant to a program of study leading to a graduate degree primarily is determined by the academic department or interdisciplinary faculty. Therefore, you should contact the specific department or interdisciplinary program prior to applying to discuss your intent to apply and confirm the deadlines for that particular department. Information about each of the departments and degrees offered in the College can be found at: http://aglifesciences.tamu.edu/