



Provost Updates to Faculty Senate

Four Retired Professors Receive Emeritus Status for Continued Service to Texas A&M-Corpus Christi



February 27, 2015

The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents recently approved emeritus status for four long-time faculty members at the Island University.

In recognition of long and distinguished service to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, the Board of Regents conferred emeritus status on the following:

- ◆ Dr. David McKee
- ◆ Dr. William "Bill" Huie
- ◆ Dr. John "Wes" Tunnell
- ◆ Dr. Robert Bezdek

To read more about each faculty member, [click here](#) or visit the university's news website.

2015-16 Undergraduate and Graduate Catalogs

15-16 catalogs are now published on the university website at catalog.tamucc.edu!

If you notice any errors, please contact Dr. Ryan Beard at ext. 2723 or ryan.beard@tamucc.edu.

You have **brains** in your **head**.
You have **feet** in your **shoes**.
You can **steer** yourself any **direction** you **choose**.

-Dr. Seuss

Doctor of Nursing Practice Approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's Committee on Academic and Workforce Success!



On Wednesday, May 25th, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's Committee on Academic and Workforce Success approved the College of Nursing and Health Science's proposal to offer the Doctorate of Nursing Practice. Scheduled to launch in the Fall of 2016, the program would be only the second online DNP offered by a Texas institution and would have a unique focus on health issues in South Texas. The last step in the approval process will be consideration by the full Coordinating Board at their April meeting.

SACSCOC Fifth Year Report Update

Preparation of the SACSCOC Fifth Year Interim Report is under way. Academic Affairs is working with offices around campus to begin the collection of evidence documents and drafting of narratives. We will be working throughout the spring semester and over the summer to complete the first drafts of the standards we are required to address in this report and will be contacting individuals and offices for assistance as needed. If you receive a request for documentation or to participate in drafting or reviewing narratives, please give these requests priority so that we are able to meet our deadlines for submission. Once the report is drafted the campus community will be invited to provide feedback prior to completion and submission of the report. We anticipate that the report will be open for campus input early in the fall semester. If anyone has an interest in participating in the report preparation please contact Christine Shupala.

Enrollment Management Update

As of close of the 20th class day and comparing like days, the spring 2015 enrollment was 10,644. This represents an increase of 2.3% compared to final last year.

Currently, for fall 2015, our total applications are at 12,764 which represents a 4% increase compared to last year same time. We have admitted 6,730 students for the fall 2015 semester which represents an increase of 19% compared to last year same time.

We have received 11,032 first-time in college (FTIC) applications which represents a 9% increase compared to last year same time. We have admitted 6,184 FTIC students which represents a 21% increase compared to last year same time.

Important Dates to Remember:

- March 30 ◆ Registration opens for Summer and Fall 2015 terms
- April 1 ◆ Course Syllabi due for Maymester and Summer I terms
- April 6-10 ◆ [Graduate Student Appreciation Week](#)
- April 12-18 ◆ National Library Week
- April 21 ◆ Faculty Publications Bibliography Reception | LIB 208 | 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- April 24 ◆ Annual Retiree Luncheon | 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. | UC Anchor Ballroom
- April 24 ◆ Islander Awards Celebration | 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. | UC Anchor Ballroom

Department of Theatre and Dance Receives Recognition at Regional Competition



March 16, 2015

Fifteen students from the Department of Theatre and Dance at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi competed at the Region VI Contest of the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF) held February 24-28 at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas. The Region IV Contest included college and universities from Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Texas.

Calan Welder, a junior theatre major, was named the regional winner of the Institute for Theatre Journalism and Advocacy (ITJA) Contest. [Read more](#)

Resource Tip:

The Office of Research, Commercialization and Outreach has developed the [President's Research Dashboard](#). The dashboard enables the campus community to view research statistics such as annual proposal production, total sponsored projects awards by funding type, and proposals submitted versus awarded.

To view current statistics, visit the RCO website.

research.tamucc.edu

Course Syllabi Deadlines

We are approaching the next deadline for syllabi submission and I wanted to send out a reminder of the due dates. Syllabi for Maymester and Summer 1 classes are due April 1. Annual deadlines for each semester or minimester are listed in the table below as well as in the attached document which provides instructions and naming conventions for both syllabi and CVs. If the deadline for submission falls on a weekend, we extend the deadline to the Monday following the weekend deadline. As always, please let me know if you have any questions or if you have additional people who need access to the shared folder where syllabi should be placed for loading into our syllabus system. Thanks, in advance, for helping us to meet the deadlines for loading syllabi! Please share this with your faculty and department chairs (and anyone else you think needs to know).

Semester	Deadline	What to Submit
Augustmester	July 15	New instructor CVs and all Syllabi
Fall (including any half-semester courses)	August 1	All Instructor CVs and All Syllabi
Januarymester	December 1	New Instructor CVs and All Syllabi
Spring (including any half-semester courses)	December 15	New Instructor CVs and All Syllabi
Maymester and Summer I	April 1	New Instructor CVs and All Syllabi
Summer II	June 1	New Instructor CVs and All Syllabi

FY16 Budget Requests

The FY16 budget request and preparation information for the Division of Academic Affairs is due from the Associate VPs and Deans to the Provost's Office by Monday, March 30 (departmental deadlines may differ). Using the information collected from each university division, the Budget Office will provide the President with a university-wide summary towards the end of April, with the PC Budgetary Review meeting following in May. The Executive Budget Summary is expected to be submitted to and reviewed by the Board of Regents in July or August and, once approved and available, departments will be notified through each division's proper communication channels.

Provost's next Open Office Hours will be on

Monday, April 6, 2015 from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Any faculty or staff member is welcome to stop by and discuss ideas, opportunities, issues of concern, or just introduce her/himself. Please remember that any request for resources, however, must follow the proper paths of responsibility. I look forward to meeting with you!