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Slide 1 – HOW WE STACK UP

- 1<sup>st</sup> Public institution of higher learning in Texas, opening October 4<sup>th</sup>, 1876
- 20:1 Student/teacher ratio
- 3<sup>rd</sup> largest university in the country (68,000 students)
- 91.7% first-year student retention rate
- 25% of entering freshmen are first-generation; Among the best rates in the nation
- \$55 M financial aid awarded of the latest class of incoming freshmen



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Slide 2 – NO. 1

Public university for numbers of students studying abroad  
- *Institute of International Education*

For salaries among graduates of Texas public universities  
- *PayScale*

Most affordable medical school in the nation  
- *U.S. News & World Report*

For “Best colleges you can actually get in to”  
- *Money Magazine*

In Texas for most National Merit Scholars enrolled



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Slide 3 – REQUIRED COURSEWORK

- 4 years of English
- 4 years of Mathematics  
*Must include Algebra I and II, Geometry and a fourth math course. Applicants are encouraged to take math each year of high school.*
- 4 years of Science  
*Two courses must come from Biology I, Chemistry I, and Physics I plus two additional courses meeting the recommended or advanced/distinguished curriculum.*
- 2 years of the same foreign language

Texas high school graduates: Students meeting the State of Texas Recommended or Distinguished curriculum will meet Texas A&M's course requirements. Students graduating under the new foundation curriculum plan must complete at least one endorsement to be considered for admission.



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Slide 4 – ADMISSION CHECKLIST

- Admissions Application
- Essay A
- Application fee or fee waiver  
\$75 Domestic | \$90 International
- Official high school transcript with numerical class rank
- Official SAT/ACT score
- Permanent Resident Card, I551 or SB 1528 Affidavit (if applicable)



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Slide 5 – 3 WAYS TO BE ADMITTED

- Top 10%
- Academic Admit
- Holistic Review



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Slide 6 – TOP 10%

- Attend a recognized public or private high school in Texas
- Rank in the top 10% of your class
- Ensure all required credentials are received by the admission deadline
- Meet Uniform Admission requirements
- Students applying for top 10% automatic admission who graduate under the foundation curriculum must obtain the distinguished level of achievement.
- 50% of admitted students were in the TOP 10%



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Slide 7 – ACADEMIC ADMIT

- Complete all required coursework
- Rank in the top quarter of graduating class
- Achieve SAT or ACT score minimums
  - New SAT: Total score of at least 1360 with at least 620 Math and 660 Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW)
  - ACT: Composite score of at least 30 with at least 27 Math and 27 English
- Ensure all required credentials are received by the admission deadline
- Meet Uniform Admission Policy requirements

18% of admitted students were ACADEMIC ADMITS



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Slide 8 – HOLISTIC REVIEW

- Academic Achievement
  - *Class Rank*
  - *SAT/ACT score*
  - *Minimum coursework*
- Personal Achievement
  - *Extracurricular Activities*
  - *Community Service*
  - *Talents/Awards/Honors*
- Also Considered
  - *Hardships*
  - *Challenges*
  - *Unique Opportunities*

32% of admitted students were from HOLISTIC REVIEW





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Slide 9 – ENGINEERING REVIEW

- Complete by October 15
- Decision by mid-December
  
- Complete by December 1
- Decision by mid-January

All applicants to the College of Engineering, including those who meet automatic admission standards, will be reviewed holistically for placement into General Engineering.



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Slide 10 – ADMISSION PATHWAYS

- Program for System Admission
- Blinn TEAM
- Higher Education Center at McAllen



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Slide 11 – DEADLINES

Summer/Fall 2019

- Application Opens July 1, 2018
- Application Closes December 1, 2018

The scholarship deadline for Fall 2019 is also December 1, 2018



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Slide 12 – NOTICE OF DECISIONS

**Top 10% & Academic Admits**

Notifications are mailed after the complete application file is processed

**Holistic Review**

Applicants will be notified by March

Monitor admission status on the Application Information System (AIS) via the Howdy Portal



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Slide 13 – 2016-17 FRESHMAN CLASS

40,761 TOTAL APPLICANTS

11,060 Top 10% Admits

3,877 Academic Admits

2,529 Full Admits from Holistic Review

4,870 Alternative Admission Decisions

11,247 Program for System Admission

7,040 Denied/Incomplete



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Slide 14 – CHECKLIST FOR ADMISSION

#### Junior Year

- October PSAT/NMSQT – National scholarship competitions
- Visit campus
- Register for the SAT/ACT
- Stay on track with the appropriate curriculum and coursework to meet A&M minimums
- Keep activity log
- Research major/interests

#### Senior Year

- Prepare admission application and materials
- Prepare scholarship application
- Apply early (Deadline: December 1)
- Check application status on AIS
- Submit FAFSA



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Slide 15 – 13 REGIONAL SERVICE AREAS

- Aggieland | 979-458-0950
- Central Texas | see website
- Corpus Christi | 361-289-7905
- DFW | 817-375-0960
- El Paso | see website
- Houston | 713-454-1990
- Laredo | 956-795-0412
- Rio Grande Valley | 956-683-8647
- San Antonio | 210-212-7016
- Denver
- Atlanta
- Washington, D.C.
- Chicago

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