

1. The Texas A&M University System
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About The Texas A&M University System

The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) is one of the largest systems of higher education in the nation with a statewide network of 11 universities (including one Historically Black University and three Hispanic Serving Institutions), seven state agencies, two service units, a comprehensive health science center, and an annual operating budget of \$4.2 billion. TAMUS educates more than 140,000 students and has more than 22 million additional educational contacts through service and outreach programs each year. Externally funded research expenditures exceed \$932 million and help drive the region's economy.

Within TAMUS, nine of the 11 universities offer engineering degree programs with a combined enrollment of more than 25,000 engineering students. The largest engineering program is at Texas A&M University in College Station with more than 16,000 students, including approximately 12,500 undergraduates and approximately 3,500 graduate students, and \$308 million in engineering research expenditures annually - among the highest in the U.S. TAMUS has the relevant expertise to address NNSA's mission, including the ability to perform classified research and education (with a DOE SRD-possessing facility and Secret Compartmentalized Information Facility).

The Texas A&M University System has a long history of national service. This foundation positions us well to partner with other organizations to lead Sandia National Laboratories (SNL) to greater technical excellence and to instill a culture that unambiguously places national interests above corporate interests. A team that includes TAMUS can lead SNL to refocus on its core missions and on developing and nurturing capabilities required to execute these missions in the future. Our large, diverse educational programs would provide a powerful scientific and engineering talent pipeline to provide the next generation of scientists and engineers critical to NNSA mission success.

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