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History of Prairie View

The Prairie View State College was established sixty-two (62) years ago—April, 1876. The only state supported institution for higher education of Negroes in Texas.

Purposes of Prairie View

In harmony with its philosophy, Prairie View:

1. Attempts to serve the Colored Citizens of Texas and the Southwest at the points of their greatest needs.
2. Endeavors to bring the students' training into closer relationship with life's occupation.
3. Believes that Education for Negroes must have as its objective the making of a worthwhile life and a respectable living.

Services to Texas and the Southwest

More than 17,000 persons visit the campus annually to attend the more than 38 activities sponsored by the institution.

Some of the activities are:

- Extension Agents Conferences
- Educational Conferences
- Unit Courses for Farmers
- Curriculum Study Conferences
- Mid-Wives Conference
- Vocational Agriculture Basketball Tournament
- Interscholastic League Meets
- Jeanes Supervisors Conferences
- Librarians Conference
- Judging Contests—Agriculture and Home Economics
- Short Course for Coaches of Athletics

Southwestern Intercollegiate Relays
Farmers Short Course
Boy Scout Leadership Conference
Medical Clinics—Post Graduate
County Coordinated Programs
Vocational Conferences—Vocational and Home Economics
Southwestern Open Tennis Tournament
Y. M. C. A. Leadership Conferences
Nursing Education Conference

Courses Offered in the Following Fields:

- I. Graduate
- II. Undergraduate
 1. Agriculture
 2. Arts and Sciences
 3. Home Economics
 4. Mechanic Arts
 5. Nursing Education
 6. Special Trade, Short and Unit Courses in:
General Agriculture, Beauty Culture, Cooking, Sewing, Maid Service, Auto Mechanics, Broom & Mattress Making, Carpentry and Cabinet Making, Electricity, Laundering and Dry Cleaning, Machine Shop Practice, Masonry, Painting and Interior Decorating, Plumbing and Steam Fitting, Printing and Linotype Operating, Shoe Making, Stationary Engineering and Industrial Education.

Faculty and Enrollment

More than 150 persons constitute the group of employees serving the institution. Ninety men and women of this number holding doctorate, masters and bachelors degrees from the leading colleges and universities over the country constitute the instructional staff for the 1,000 students enrolled.

Some Facts about Prairie View State College

1. Prairie View is accredited and approved as a four-year class "A" college by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, by the Texas State Department of Education, the American College of Physicians and Surgeons, and the American Council on Education.
2. In addition to the four-year undergraduate courses leading to the Bachelor's degree Prairie View is now offering graduate courses leading to the Master's degree. For these courses the Institution is engaging the services of the strongest and best prepared men and women in the country.
3. It is the largest Land-Grant College in America for Negroes.
4. It offers a wide choice of courses designed to train students for varied occupations.
5. Last year the student body came from 21 states in the Union.
6. Approximately 70 per cent of the public school teachers in Texas received training at Prairie View.
7. Ninety-five per cent of all Extension and Home Demonstration Agents, 98 per cent of all Vocational teachers of Agriculture and 100 per cent of Vocational teachers of Home Economics are Prairie View graduates.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION WRITE:

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KIRBY HALL—1876

Origin of Prairie View State College for Negroes with six teachers, ten students, and a property valuation of \$10,000.

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE—TODAY



In seventy years, Prairie View State College, located 46 miles north of Houston, Texas, on the Southern Pacific Railroad, has grown to a \$2,000,000 Institution, comprising 1,435 acres of land, with a 70-acre campus. This plant consists of 35 fire-proof buildings and 60 cottages for teachers.