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THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM AT PRAIRIE VIEW A&M

Prairie View A&M University is a senior, state-supported university offering the bachelor's and master's degrees. The institution is organized for instruction into nine major divisions as follows:

The College of Agriculture	The College of Home Economics
The College of Arts and Sciences	The College of Industrial Education and Technology
The College of Business	The College of Nursing
The College of Education	The Graduate School
The College of Engineering	

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

This college offers B.S. and M.S. degrees in the following fields:

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| 1. Agriculture | 5. Agricultural Education |
| 2. Animal Science | 6. Agricultural Engineering |
| 3. Plant Science | 7. Agricultural Economics |
| 4. Soil Science | 8. Extension Education |

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

This college offers the general education courses required for all students who enroll at the university. In addition, students may earn Bachelor's degrees in the following fields:

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| 1. Biology | 10. Library Science |
| 2. Chemistry | 11. Mathematics |
| 3. Economics | 12. Medical Technology |
| 4. English | 13. Music |
| 5. French | 14. Physics |
| 6. Spanish | 15. Political Science |
| 7. Geography | 16. Recreation |
| 8. Health & Physical Education | 17. Sociology |
| 9. History | 18. Social Work |

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

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| 1. Accounting | 4. General Business |
| 2. Business Education | 5. Management and Marketing |
| 3. Finance and Banking | 6. Office Administration |

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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| 1. Administration and Supervision | 4. Library Science Education |
| 2. Counselor Education | 5. Psychology |
| 3. Elementary Education | 6. Special Education |
| | 7. Educational Technology |

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Student may earn the Bachelor's degrees in the following fields:

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| 1. Architecture | 3. Electrical Engineering |
| 2. Civil Engineering | 4. Mechanical Engineering |

COLLEGE OF HOME ECONOMICS

Students may earn the B.S. and M.S. degrees through the departments of:

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| 1. Clothing and Textiles | 3. Home Economics Education |
| 2. Food and Nutrition and Institutional Administration | 4. Child Development and Family Relationships |
| | 5. General Home Economics |

COLLEGE OF INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Students may earn Associate of Science, Bachelor's and Master's degrees through study in the following:

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| 1. Industrial Teacher Education | 4. Advertising |
| 2. Industrial Technology | 5. Advertising Art & Fine Art |
| 3. Technical Education | |

COLLEGE OF NURSING

The College of Nursing offers a curriculum leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

ROTC

The Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (AROTC) offers both the two year basic course and the advanced course, leading to a commission as an officer in the United States Army. The General Military Science curriculum is in effect at Prairie View. The Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) was established at the University in May of 1968. The first naval officers were commissioned in May, 1970.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Graduate School offers work leading to the Master's Degree in the following areas:

Administration	History
Agricultural Economics	Home Economics Education
Agricultural Education	Industrial Education
Biology	Mathematics
Business Administration	Music
Business Education	Health & Physical Education
Chemistry	Political Science
Economics	Sociology
Elementary Education	Soils
English	Special Education
Extension Education	Supervision
Guidance	

FACTS ABOUT PRAIRIE VIEW

NAME

Prairie View A&M University of Texas

FOUNDED

1876 by the Fifteenth Legislature of the State of Texas

LOCATION

Prairie View, Texas. A college town located forty-five miles northwest of Houston on U.S. Highway 290.

ADMINISTRATION AND TYPE

A part of The Texas A&M University System. A public state supported senior university. A land grant university.

SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

A residential college which houses practically all of its students in dormitories. The college community is self-sufficient, having its own hospital, fire department, steam plant, water system, electrical system, sewer system, security system, telephone and telegraph system, U.S. Post Office, college exchange store, laboratory training schools and all other services to efficiently operate a small town.

ENROLLMENT

5,381 co-educational (Students are currently enrolled from Texas, 29 other states and 6 foreign countries).

FACULTY AND STAFF

The faculty is versatile, well trained and experienced. Numbering 250, the present faculty members hold doctoral and master's degrees from the leading colleges and universities of the nation and world. The support staff consists of 502 persons.

ACCREDITATION

The university is accredited by the Texas Education Agency, The Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges, The Association of Texas Colleges and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. All programs in engineering are accredited by the Engineer's Council for Professional Development. The program in Nursing is accredited by the National League for Nursing.

ACADEMIC YEAR

The academic year consists of two semesters, each approximately 18 weeks in length. The summer session consists of two six-week terms.

LIBRARY

The W. R. Banks Library (named for a former president of the college) houses in excess of 150,000 volumes. It now has study space of 600 students simultaneously. A new addition was completed in September 1968. The addition has doubled the capacity of the present library both in volume and study area. A complete renovation of the original portion was completed in September of 1969.

ALUMNI AND EX-STUDENTS

Over 50,000

CAMPUS AREA

1,400 acres

SCHOOL COLORS

Purple and Gold

- The annual budget for the University increased from 6.5 million dollars in 1966 to over 28 million dollars in 1976.
- One of six Engineering Materials Testing Centers in the State of Texas is located at Prairie View A&M University.
- The annual budget for the University increased from 6.5 million dollars in 1966 to over 180 million dollars in 1974.
- University faculty members holding terminal degrees increased from 19% in 1966 to nearly 40% in 1974.
- Faculty salaries at Prairie View A&M University increased from a 9-month average of \$7,213 in 1966 to a 9-month average of \$12,861 in 1973.
- All undergraduate programs in teacher education are accredited to 1978 by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education. Graduate teacher education programs are also accredited by NCATE.
- All University programs are fully accredited by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges.
- Programs in Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Electrical Engineering are nationally accredited by the Engineers Council for Professional Development.
- The School of Nursing is fully accredited by the National League of Nursing.
- Prairie View has the only Experimental and Demonstration Manpower Project in the State of Texas offering Vocational Training to rural people.
- Prairie View established the first International Professional Honors Society in Industrial Education at a predominantly Black University.
- Approximately 70% of the Black Registered Nurses in Texas are graduates of the University.
- Prairie View has provided graduate professional education for more than 90% of the Black teachers in the Texas Public Schools.
- Prairie View has trained more than 98% of the Black Vocational homemaking teachers in Texas.
- Prairie View has commissioned more than 920 officers through the Army ROTC Program.
- In advanced officers ranks are: 25 Captains, 70 Majors, 56 Lieutenant Colonels and 9 full Colonels, 1 Brigadier General among its alumni on active duty with the U.S. Army.



FACTS ABOUT PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Record of Distinguished Service To
Texas and the Nation

- Prairie View operates the only Agricultural Research Station at a predominantly Black University.
- Prairie View has provided 98% of the Black vocational agriculture teachers in the state.
- Prairie View has produced more than 70% of the Black teachers in the public schools of Texas.
- More than 50% of the Blacks currently enrolled at medical and dental schools in Texas are graduates of Prairie View.
- The first Black to graduate from the Medical School of Baylor University was a graduate of Prairie View.
- The University has graduated more than 550 engineers since 1949.
- Prairie View currently graduates more American Black engineers than any of the nation's 307 colleges and universities offering engineering.
- Prairie View graduates are employed by the Atomic Energy Commission, the National Aeronautical Space Agency, and by the leading industries throughout the State and Nation.
- Prairie View has the only Experimental and Demonstration Manpower Project in the State of Texas offering Vocational Training to rural people.
- Prairie View established the first International Professional Honors Society in Industrial Education at a predominantly Black University.
- Approximately 70% of Black Registered Nurses in Texas are graduates of the University.
- Prairie View has graduated over 700 nurses.
- Prairie View has provided graduate professional education for more than 90% of the Black teachers in the Texas Public Schools.
- Prairie View currently has more than 900 students enrolled in Business Administration and Business Education Programs.
- Prairie View has trained more than 98% of the Black vocational homemaking teachers in Texas.
- Prairie View has commissioned more than 896 officers through the Army ROTC Program.
- In advanced officer ranks are: 25 Captains, 70 Majors, 56 Lieutenant Colonels and 9 full Colonels, 1 Brigadier General among its alumni on active duty with the U.S. Army.
- Prairie View installed the first Naval ROTC Program at a predominantly Negro University.
- The University has commissioned 34 officers from the NROTC Unit since May of 1970. This represents more Negro Navy Officers than all the Universities in the South have produced through NROTC Programs in the history of the country.
- The University has installed 14 Chapters of National Honor Societies since 1966.
- Annually, the University placed more than 35 students in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.
- Prairie View football teams have won 8 Conference Championships and 5 National Championships.
- The University currently receives in excess of 5.5 million annually in Federal funds to support research, college improvement, student financial assistance and other programs.
- Nearly 500 recruiters representing major corporations and government agencies come to the campus each year seeking the Prairie View graduate.
- Over 95 school districts from 18 states outside of Texas are recruiting the graduates of Teacher Education Programs.
- The University basketball teams have won 3 Conference Championships, 2 National Collegiate (N.A.A.) Championships and were rated number 2 small university team, 1960-61.
- Prairie View track teams have won 8 Conference Championships and 3 National N.A.A. Indoor Championships and one N.A.A. Outdoor Championship.
- Prairie View tennis teams have won 15 Conference Singles Championships and 6 Conference Doubles Championships.
- Prairie View Alumni are currently on the rosters of the Kansas City Chiefs, The Boston Patriots, the Houston Oilers, the Oakland Raiders and other professional football teams.
- Prairie View golf teams have won 4 Conference Championships.
- The University is a leading supplier of minority professionals to the Federal Government.
- The faculty of the University provides in excess of one quarter of a million man hours of voluntary professional and civic services to the Texas public each year.
- The University conducts annually more than 50 conferences and short courses on its campus with an attendance of over 40,000 persons.
- The first Engineering Experiment Sub-Station at a Black college is located at Prairie View A&M University.
- The enrollment at Prairie View A&M University has increased 22% since 1966 and the graduates have increased 76% during the same period.
- One of six Engineering Materials Testing Centers in the State of Texas is located at Prairie View University.
- The annual budget for the University increased from 6.5 million dollars in 1966 to over 17.5 million dollars in 1973.
- The number of students graduating has increased from 605 in 1966 to 1,132 in 1972-73.
- University faculty members holding terminal degrees increased from 19% in 1966 to nearly 40% in 1972.
- Faculty salaries at Prairie View A&M University increased from a 9-month average of \$7,213 in 1966 to a 9-month average of \$12,861 in 1973.
- All University programs are fully accredited by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges.
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OUR HERITAGE AND TRADITIONS

A University is more than its students, its faculty, its alumni or its campus. A university may be appropriately described as a spirit. Truly the spirit of Prairie View makes this university a great institution. The spirit of Prairie View is best stated in this quotation:

"Prairie View is an institution—a public institution. But an institution is an empty thing without the beating hearts and yearning souls of mortal men. And down the seventy-five years of Prairie View's existence, men have lived and dreamed here until every blade of grass and every rock, that wise primordial way in which the primitive earth knows and cares, has joined the choir invisible to bless their memory. For every man whose foot has touched the hallowed soil has found a spirit, and has broadened and deepened it until what started out as an ambitionless meandering stream has become a purposeful river upon whose tide, now turbulent, now tranquil, floats the destiny of countless human hopes and dreams.

The Spirit of Prairie View is made up of those who carry the torch, as well as those who have left the university their legacy. The heritage and traditions of the university are found in every facet of university life. We commend these to all students new and old.

COLLEGE TRADITIONS

COMMENCEMENT

Graduation is a special highlight in the life of the students. The annual commencement exercise is one of the oldest traditions of the college. The many colored gowns and hoods of the faculty represent universities from around the world. The march across the platform to receive the well-earned degree is a moment to always remember.

HONOR'S CONVOCATION

A special convocation is called to honor students who attain academic excellence which merits a place on the President's Honor Roll. The faculty assembles in full academic regalia to pay tribute to the honorees. A highlight of the day is the President's Annual Banquet in honor of the students. Outstanding speakers appear for both the convocation and the banquet.

HONOR'S WEEK

This occasion singles out students to receive awards for all accomplishments during the school year. Recognition for scholarships, social competence, student leadership, athletic, citizenship, and many other awards are given on Honor's Day.

PARENT'S DAY CONVOCATION

Special services for parents are held, as a part of the annual Freshman Orientation Program. At this time, parents visit with administrative officers and faculty and tour the campus. An important feature of the day is the convocation service at which time the President of the College speaks to students and their parents.

PARENT'S DAY

Each spring the College sets a day on which parents of all currently enrolled students are invited to visit the campus. The activities of the day are devoted to telling the "Prairie View Story" and to indoctrinate the parents in traditions of the Prairie View Family of which they are a part.

OPEN HOUSE

During the month of May each year, all residence halls hold open house beginning at 2:00 P.M. At this time men and women students exchange visits in the residence halls. Parents, faculty and friends call on students in their residence halls. This is indeed a gracious tradition that exemplifies the kind of hospitality for which Prairie View is famous.

MISS PRAIRIE VIEW

Being elected as "Miss Prairie View" is the highest honor that can be bestowed, upon a woman student at Prairie View. She epitomizes Prairie view's ideals of scholarship, service, character, and personality. The young woman selected to serve as "Miss Prairie View" is a living symbol of these ideals.

CORONATION OF MISS PRAIRIE VIEW

The entire royal court of Pantherland assembles to pay homage to "Miss Prairie View," our queen, our first lady among the students—a beautiful activity crowned with a pageant and dances. The coronation of Miss Prairie View is a highlight of the social season.

FOUNDERS DAY

March 11 is recognized as Founders Day. Although the 15th Legislature passed an act to establish the college on August 14, 1876, the college did not open its doors until March 11, 1878. On this day, eight male students enrolled in the college.

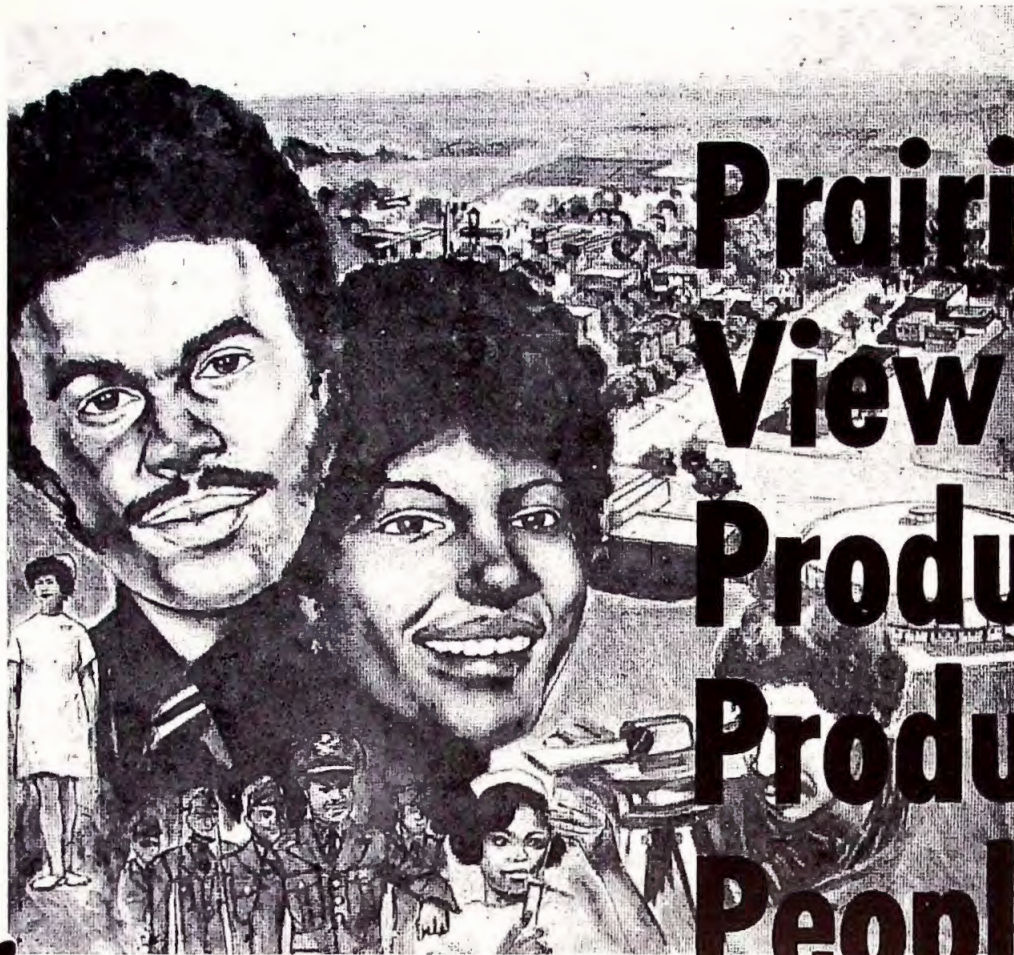
HOMECOMING

Autumn brings homecoming—a time for welcome and celebration—a time for the return of "Loyal Panthers" to their Alma Mater. They are greeted by a variety of activities. The clubs, the residence halls, and schools and departments construct displays and floats. One very exciting activity is the mile-long "Homecoming Parade." Winners in the competition are given recognition. The focal point of the weekend is the football game and crowning of "Mrs. Homecoming" who is selected from the Alumni reunion year classes. The activities start on Friday with a "bonfire" and pep rally. Other activities include the Pig-skin Review, Alumni Breakfast dance, Homecoming Parade, Homecoming Football Game and Homecoming Vespers on Sunday.

PANTHERS

Prairie View's athletic teams are known as the Panthers. The name is descriptive of the fierce, blood-thirsty manner in which the Panthers enter into athletic competition.





Prairie View Produces Productive People

OFFERING FULLY
ACCREDITED COURSES IN

- ARTS AND SCIENCES
- BUSINESS
- TEACHER EDUCATION
- ENGINEERING
- HOME ECONOMICS
- INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION
AND TECHNOLOGY
- AGRICULTURE
- NURSING
- GRADUATE STUDY
- ARMY AND NAVY
ROTC

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