



PRAIRIE VIEW
A&M UNIVERSITY

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

2025 - 2026

➤ Excellence in Graduate Studies



Excellence
Lives Here



THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Welcome to the **Graduate School at Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU)**. We offer Master's and Doctoral Programs, and Certificates across nine Colleges and Schools:

- » College of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources (CAFNR)
- » School of Architecture
- » Marvin D. and June Samuel Brailsford College of Arts and Sciences
- » College of Business
- » Whitlowe R. Green College of Education
- » Roy G. Perry College of Engineering
- » College of Juvenile Justice
- » College of Nursing
- » School of Public and Allied Health

The Graduate School at PVAMU empowers students to lead innovative research and advance career development opportunities. Our scholars collaborate closely with award-winning faculty in a supportive environment that fosters excellence, discovery, and professional growth, preparing graduates to achieve their highest academic and career ambitions.



Camille Gibson, PhD

Camille Gibson

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We've educated changemakers and leaders through cutting-edge research and world-renowned faculty.

DEAN'S WELCOME

Prairie View A&M University is where purpose and passion are ignited with advanced knowledge. Since 1937 graduate students have been educated at this university on a foundation of resilience and innovation. We have developed changemakers and leaders through cutting-edge research with world-renowned faculty.

Our graduates are highly sought after for their effectiveness in moving industries and societies forward, prepared with global awareness, excellence as their standard, and a “can-do” posture. With our rich HBCU legacy, we see each student as a valuable community member to be celebrated, mentored, and educated.

Join us on a journey to eminence!

Sincerely,

CAMILLE GIBSON PhD

Dean,
Graduate School



MISSION

The Graduate School's mission is to provide administrative coordination through joint supervision of graduate program planning, delivery, and evaluation within a rigorous, intellectually challenging, and stimulating environment. A strong partnership across the academic divisions has been developed to assist students in realizing their educational goals.

The Graduate School is further committed to graduate student success by providing opportunities for professional development, programming, research, and funding.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

GRADUATE EXPERIENCE

(university-wide + program specific)

- Studios, research labs, and clinical settings
- Professional residencies and practicum experiences
- Cohort-based programs for peer learning and collaboration
- Flexible scheduling with evening and weekend course formats
- Internships across industry, education, healthcare, and government sectors
- Practicums and clinical placements
- Service-learning and community-based research initiatives
- Study away and study abroad opportunities
- Graduate Assistantships: GA, TA, RA positions supporting research, teaching, and professional development
- Graduate advising tailored to program and career goals
- Faculty and peer mentoring opportunities
- Writing and statistics labs for academic and research support
- Tutoring resources for graduate-level coursework
- Scholarships, fellowships, and graduate assistantships (GA / TA / RA)
- Graduate Student Association (GSA) for leadership, advocacy, and community engagement
- Development of distinct professional and research competencies
- Alignment with licensure and credentialing requirements



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My internship at Textron Aviation working on a modernization project was incredibly meaningful. Aligning technology with positive societal impact reminded me why I chose engineering. I'm honored to continue my academic journey here through a fellowship that guides my next steps.

JADE GRANT

Program Assistant,
PVAMU CE²I

Master's in Engineering
(Electrical Engineering) 2025

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND NATURAL RESOURCES (CAFNR)

Prairie View A&M University Graduate School offers: Master of Science in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences and Master of Science in Nutrition.



**> FUNDED FACULTY-
MENTORED
RESEARCH
OPPORTUNITIES**



MS Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences

👁️ Focus Areas:

Climate change and extremes; water-energy-food nexus; soil health; watershed management and hydrology; geographical information systems and remote sensing; natural resource economics and environmental planning

✔️ Prepares Students for:

Academic research / teaching; applied research / extension; roles in agencies, consulting, non-governmental organizations, and industry

👍 Core Strengths:

The professional program provides a pathway for manifesting careers in academic teaching and research, or applied research and extension in educational and governmental institutions, international, national, and state technical assistance and policy agencies, agricultural and forestry industries, consulting firms, and private nonprofit and non-governmental organizations.

☰ Credit Hour Format:

Thesis and non-thesis options available

MS Nutrition

👁️ Focus Areas:

Global human nutrition; community / clinical emphasis; research methods and evidence-based practice

✔️ Prepares Students for:

Program leadership; clinical / community research; industry / regulatory nutrition; professional / doctoral pathways

👍 Core Strengths:

Designed for students seeking to gain the knowledge and competencies required to address global nutrition-related issues and enter positions in the human nutrition profession.

☰ Credit Hour Format:

- Thesis [-] MS: 30 SCH coursework + 6 SCH thesis
- Non-Thesis [-] MS: 36 SCH coursework + capstone project
- MS Registered Dietitians / Registered Dietitian Nutritionists: 30 SCH + practicum experiences

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

School of Architecture Prairie View A&M University Graduate School offers: Master of Architecture and Master of Science in Community Development Planning.



➤ **Small graduate cohorts that foster close collaboration, networking, and community.**

Master of Architecture



Focus Areas:

Professional practice; advanced design; theory; licensure preparation; addressing climate change, equity and globalization



Prepares Students for:

Licensure; professional practice; advanced design leadership



Core Strengths:

Prepares students for roles in the architecture profession in a positive learning culture that is capable of engaging in solving critical issues such as climate change, equity, and globalization.



Credit Hour Format:

37 SCH total (27 required + 10 elective)



Delivery:

Studio-intensive; format not otherwise specified



MS Community Development Planning



Focus Areas:

Community revitalization; policy; social / economic / physical development; service learning



Prepares Students for:

Leadership roles in non-profits, planning, development agencies, and civic sectors



Core Strengths:

Designed to meet the needs of individuals with diverse academic backgrounds who care about solving problems of distressed communities and helping them identify their potential socially, physically, and economically.



Credit Hour Format:

36 SCH (18 required / core + 18 elective)



Certificates:

Real Estate Development;
Community Planning



MARVIN D. AND JUNE SAMUEL BRAILSFORD

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Prairie View A&M University Graduate School offers:
Master of Science in Chemistry, Master of Arts in Sociology, Master of Social Work — Medical Social Work / Behavioral Health, and Doctor of Philosophy in Clinical Adolescent Psychology.



MS Chemistry

Focus Areas:
Analytical, polymer, biochemistry, organic, materials (via research tracks)

Prepares Students for:
Research and development; analysis; doctoral study

Core Strengths
Research-based M.S. degree program, minimum of 24 credit hours of coursework and 6 credit hours of research work.

Credit Hour Format:
30 SCH (24 coursework + 6 research)

MA Sociology

Focus Areas:
Sociological theory; advanced methods; applied / community research

Prepares Students for:
Policy / research analysis; nonprofit leadership; education; law enforcement; doctoral preparation

Core Strengths:
Enables students to analyze, critically evaluate, and engage in the planning of solutions that evolve from patterns of human social interactions.

Credit Hour Format:
36 SCH



MSW Social Work (Medical Social Work / Behavioral Health)



Focus Areas:

Africentric, evidence-based clinical practice; Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), motivational interviewing (MI), Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT); research and theory



Prepares Students for:

Advanced clinical social work; behavioral health roles; licensure pathways



Core Strengths:

We are the only MSW program in Texas to deliver an Africentric curriculum that provides training in evidence-based interventions, research, and theory.



Credit Hour Format:

Not specified (confirm plan of study)



Provides a high quality, comprehensive arts education to a diverse student population.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

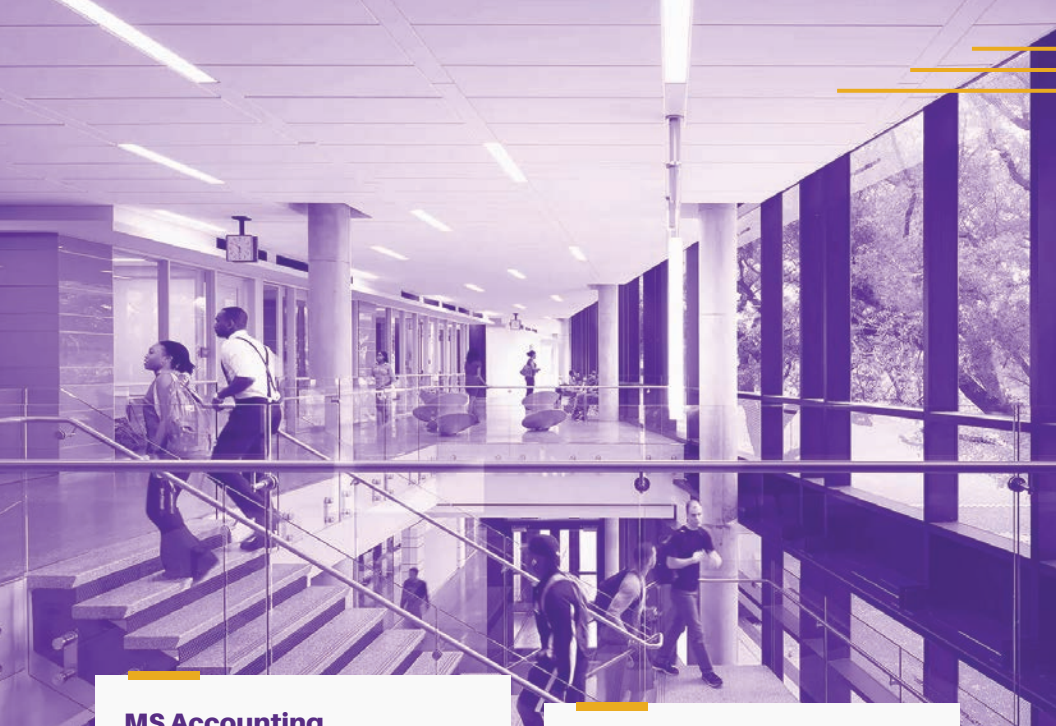
Prairie View A&M University Graduate School offers: Master of Business Administration, Master of Science in Accounting, Executive Master of Business Administration, and Doctor of Business Administration.



- **Faculty mentorship providing guidance for research, professional growth, and career development.**

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

- 👁 **Focus Areas:**
Strategic leadership; general management; cross-sector impact
- ✔ **Prepares Students for:**
Advancement in for-profit and nonprofit enterprises; leadership roles
- 👍 **Core Strengths**
Designed to equip driven professionals with the knowledge needed to develop strategic-thinking skills valued by organizations.
- 📅 **Credit Hour Format:**
36 SCH (30 required + 6 electives)
- 🎓 **Department Admissions Requirements:**
 - Essay + resume / CV
 - Conditional admission possible with GRE / GMAT + interview (scores ≤ 5 years)



MS Accounting



Focus Areas:

Advanced accounting practice;
CPA-aligned coursework



Prepares Students for:

Public / corporate accounting;
CPA exam qualification pathways



Core Strengths:

Coursework can also be used to help meet requirements to sit for the Certified Public Accountancy (CPA) exam.



Credit Hour Format:

30 SCH (21 required + 9 electives)



Department Admissions Requirements:

- Essay + resume / CV
- Conditional admission possible with GRE / GMAT + interview (scores $\leq$ 5 years)

Executive MBA (EMBA)



Focus Areas:

Executive leadership; strategy;
global immersion



Prepares Students for:

Senior / executive roles across industries



Core Strengths:

Alt-Saturday cohort; tuition includes meals, materials, and 8-day international field trip



Credit Hour Format:

2-year hybrid; 36 SCH minimum



Department Admissions Requirements:

- Min. 3 years professional management experience
- Two-page personal statement
- Interview

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RANKED AMONG TEXAS EMBA PROGRAMS

(MBA Today, 2018-2019)

Doctor of Business Administration (DBA)



Focus Areas:

Executive-level applied research;
advanced management; analytics



Prepares Students for:

Senior leadership; consulting;
executive educator roles



Core Strengths:

The only DBA in the Gulf Coast
region, designed for practicing
professionals addressing
real-world business problems,
delivered in an executive format.



Credit Hour Format:

3-year executive format





WHITLOWE R. GREEN

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Prairie View A&M University
Graduate School offers:
MSEd / MEd Curriculum and
Instruction, MA Counseling
(School Counseling
Emphasis, MSEd Educational
Administration (Certification),
MSEd Educational
Administration, and PhD
Educational Leadership.

MSEd / MEd Curriculum and Instruction



Tracks:

General; Special Education;
Reading Education



Focus Areas:

Leadership; instructional
design; educational research;
data-driven practice



Prepares Students for:

Advanced classroom practice;
curriculum leadership; academic
coaching



Core Strengths:

Designed to develop ... advanced
competencies in leadership and
instruction ... and educational
research and its application.



Credit Hour Format:

- MSEd: Thesis required
- MEd: Non-thesis





MA Counseling (School Counseling Emphasis)



Focus Areas:

School counseling practice; crisis / trauma with children; consultation; supervised practicum / internships



Prepares Students for:

Texas School Counselor certification



Core Strengths:

Adds 12 SCH of school counseling content to meet TEA requirements; 100-hour practicum + two 300-hour internships



Credit Hour Format:

- 36 SCH base + 12 SCH school counseling content = 48 SCH
- 4 - 6 semesters completion shift

MSEd Educational Administration (Certification)



Focus Areas:

K-12 leadership; supervision; principal certification preparation



Prepares Students for:

Campus / district leadership roles



Core Strengths:

Addresses shortage of effective leaders and growing public school enrollment



Credit Hour Format:

- 36 SCH including 160-hour internship
- Non-thesis certification pathway

- **Admissions through a holistic review process that values academic preparation, professional experience, and potential for success.**
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MSEd Educational Administration



Focus Areas:

Organizational and instructional leadership; data-driven decision-making; research; problem-solving



Prepares Students for:

Leadership across P-20 and organizational settings



Credit Hour Format:

36 SCH; includes thesis or action research project





PhD Educational Leadership

👁 Focus Areas:

P-12 leadership or Higher Education strands; scholar-practitioner preparation; research-intensive

✔ Prepares Students for:

Executive leadership roles at local, state, regional, national levels

☰ Credit Hour Format:

51 SCH coursework + 12 SCH dissertation; Weekend and online classes

🎓 Department Admissions Requirements:

- 1000-word essay;
- Departmental Application;
- Interview;
- GPA 2.75 (UG) / 3.20 (Grad)
- GRE (≤ 5 years)
- Deadline: Competitive Deadline

ROY G. PERRY

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Prairie View A&M University Graduate School offers: Master of Science in Computer Science, Master of Science in Computer Information Systems, Master of Science in Engineering (General), Master of Science in Electrical Engineering, and Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering.



➤ **Flexible class formats designed to meet diverse student needs.**

MS Computer Science



Focus Areas:

Software systems; cybersecurity; research and industry preparation



Prepares Students for:

Industry roles; research; doctoral study



Credit Hour Format:

36 SCH total — options: 30 + 6 Thesis or 33 + 3 Project



Department Admissions Requirements:

- Prior background in intended area;
- Leveling courses may be required for non-engineers



MS Computer Information Systems

Focus Areas:

Applied computing; systems design; enterprise information systems; project or thesis pathways

Prepares Students for:

Technical leadership in IS / IT; analytics; systems integration

Credit Hour Format:

36 SCH — options: 36 coursework, 30 + 6 Thesis, or 33 + 3 Project

Department Admissions Requirements:

- Prior background in intended area;
- Leveling courses may be required for non-engineers

MS Engineering (General)



Concentrations:

Chemical; Civil; Environmental; Mechanical



Focus Areas:

Advanced applied engineering; research with real-world applications (e.g., homeland security projects)



Prepares Students for:

Applied research and development; technical leadership; doctoral study



Department Admissions Requirements:

- Prior background in intended area
- Leveling courses may be required for non-engineers





> PREPARATION FOR RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP, AND LEADERSHIP ROLES

MS Electrical Engineering



Focus Areas:

Advanced EE training; research exposure; professional readiness



Prepares Students for:

Industry / labs / design; doctoral study; statewide / national technical roles



Core Strengths:

Emphasizes technical, cognitive, and interpersonal skills for broad employability.



Department Admissions Requirements:

- Prior background in intended area
- Leveling courses may be required for non-engineers

PhD Electrical Engineering



Research Areas:

Computer engineering; telecommunications and signal processing; power systems; microelectronics



Prepares Students for:

Independent research careers; academic and research and development leadership



Credit Hour Format:

36 SCH total — options: 30 + 6 Thesis or 33 + 3 Project

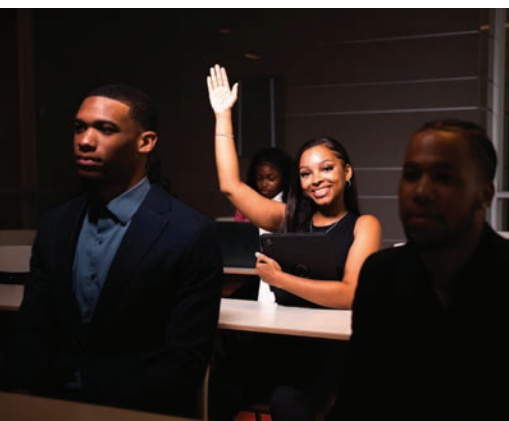


Department Admissions Requirements:

- Bachelor's in Engineering / Math / Physical Sciences (regionally accredited)
- MS in Electrical Engineering or related discipline (regionally accredited)
- 2.75 UG GPA and 3.0 Grad GPA minimum
- Essay describing research goals / professional accomplishments

COLLEGE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Prairie View A&M University Graduate School offers: Master of Science in Juvenile Justice (Online, One-Year Pathway) and Doctor of Philosophy in Juvenile Justice.



MS Juvenile Justice (Online, One-Year Pathway)



Focus Areas:

Juvenile justice systems;
practitioner skill-building; research
engagement



Prepares Students for:

Practitioner roles; policy-informed
practice; advanced study



Credit Hour Format:

36 SCH in 8-week sessions (two
per semester); comprehensive
exam; admits Spring / Summer
/ Fall; can be completed in one
year; admission occur in the
spring, summer and, fall



Department Admissions Requirements:

Departmental application + 1000-
word essay



PhD Juvenile Justice



Focus Areas:

Research and teaching in juvenile justice; comprehensive sequencing; dissertation research



Prepares Students for:

Academic roles; research leadership; policy analysis



Credit Hour Format:

61 SCH total (18 SCH dissertation); comprehensive exams; Graduate Assistant opportunities (with out-of-state waiver)



Department Admissions Requirements:

- Master's degree
- Undergraduate GPA 3.0 and Graduate GPA 3.5
- GRE (≤ 5 years)
- Departmental application
- 1000-word essay
- Writing sample (thesis / long paper)
- interview

> Strong career outcomes across education, healthcare, engineering, business, policy, and STEM fields.

COLLEGE OF NURSING

College of Nursing Prairie View A&M University Graduate School offers: Master of Science in Nursing — Family Nurse Practitioner, Master of Science in Nursing — Nurse Administration, Nurse Education, and Doctor of Nursing Practice.

MSN — Family Nurse Practitioner



Focus Areas:

Primary care across the lifespan; women's, adult, and geriatric care



Prepares Students for:

ANCC or AANP FNP certification



Credit Hour Format:

53 SCH total with 780 clinical hours



Department Admissions Requirements:

- BSN (ACEN / CCNE)
- 3.0 UG GPA
- Active or pending Texas RN license
- 1+ year nursing experience
- 3 recommendations (incl. former faculty)
- Health reqs, background check, drug screen
- Interview

MSN — Nurse Administration



Focus Areas:

Health systems leadership; administration; informatics or business electives



Prepares Students for:

ANCC Nursing Administration certification (basic)



Credit Hour Format:

15 SCH core, 12 SCH admin specialty, 9 SCH business / health informatics electives, 6 SCH thesis / non-thesis



Department Admissions Requirements:

- BSN (ACEN / CCNE)
- 3.0 UG GPA
- Active or pending Texas RN license;
- 1+ year nursing experience
- 3 recommendations (incl. former faculty)
- Health reqs, background check, drug screen
- Interview



MSN — Nurse Education



Focus Areas:

Academic and clinical instruction; curriculum and policy; educational leadership



Prepares Students for:

NLN Certified Nurse Educator exam



Credit Hour Format:

45 SCH total — 15 SCH core, 15 SCH education specialty, 9 SCH advanced practice core, 6 SCH thesis / non-thesis



Department Admissions Requirements:

- BSN (ACEN / CCNE)
- 3.0 UG GPA
- Active or pending Texas RN license
- 1+ year nursing experience
- 3 recommendations (incl. former faculty)
- Health reqs, background check, drug screen
- Interview

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)



Focus Areas:

Transformational leadership; policy; evidence-based practice; health outcomes



Prepares Students for:

Advanced clinical leadership; policy impact; systems-level improvement



Credit Hour Format:

39 SCH post-master's; 1000 total clinical hours (includes MSN hours)



Accreditation:

- CCNE-accredited
- ACEN-accredited

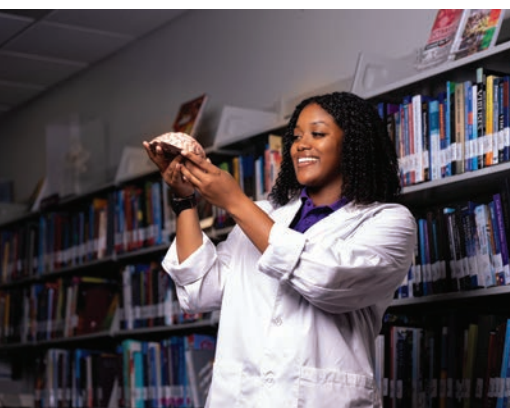


Department Admissions Requirements:

- BSN (ACEN / CCNE)
- 3.0 UG GPA
- Active or pending Texas RN license
- 1+ year nursing experience;
- 3 recommendations (incl. former faculty)
- Health reqs, background check, drug screen
- Interview

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AND ALLIED HEALTH (SPAHS)

Prairie View A&M University Graduate School offers: Master of Science in Physical Education / Master of Education in Physical Education and Master of Science in Health / Master of Education in Health Education.



➤ **Students will explore public health issues in rural and urban areas, building real-world experience in varied settings.**

MS Physical Education / MEd Physical Education



Focus Areas:

Advanced instruction; leadership in PE; K-12 advancement



Prepares Students for:

Teaching and administrative roles at elementary / secondary levels



Credit Hour Format:

MS requires thesis



Admissions:

- 1000-word essay
- Departmental application
- 2.75 UG GPA and 3.2 Grad GPA
- Interview

MSEd Health / MEd Health



Focus Areas:

School health education;
community / hospital / agency
health settings; health promotion



Prepares Students for:

Health education leadership
roles across sectors; certification
pathways



Credit Hour Format:

Not specified (MS vs MEd
modality differentiation implied)



Admissions:

- 1000-word essay
- Departmental application
- 3.20 Graduate GPA, GRE (≤ 5 years)
- Interview



Certification:

Must meet teacher certification
requirements (see SPAH Office of
Teacher Certification).
Scan QR code.

LEARN MORE



SPAH Office
of Teacher
Certification





Graduate Certificates at PVAMU

- » Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Engineering
- » Graduate Certificate in Dietetics
- » Post-Master's Certificate - Family Nurse Practitioner
- » Post-Master's Certificate - Nurse Administration
- » Post-Master's Certificate - Nurse Education
- » Certificate in Community Planning
- » Certificate in Real Estate Development
- » Certificate in Commercial Lending
- » Graduate Certificate in Deep Learning for Artificial Intelligence
- » Graduate Certificate in Smart Electric Power Grid: Sources, Devices, and Systems
- » Graduate Certificate in Cybersecurity Engineering
- » Graduate Certificate in Computer Hardware and VLSI Design
- » Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Broadband Communication Systems Access Technology
- » Alternative Teacher Certification Program
- » Educational Diagnostician Certification

FAST FACTS:

DEGREES, TIMELINES AND FORMATS

DEGREE	TIME TO COMPLETE	FORMAT
MS Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences	2 years	
MS Nutrition	18 months	
MARCH Architecture	Track I-1 year +summer, Track II- 2.5 years Track III- 5 years	
MS Community Development Planning	1.5-2 years	
MS Chemistry	2 years max (3 semesters, and 2 summers)	
MA Sociology	2 years	
MSW Social Work	2 year (full-time, 4 semesters) and 3 year (part-time, 8 semesters) plan	
Master of Business Administration	2- 3 years depending on part time or full-time status	
MS Accounting	2 years	
Executive MBA	2 years	
MSEd Curriculum and Instruction	2- 3 years depending on part time or full time status	
MEd Curriculum and Instruction	2- 3 years depending on part time or full time status	
MSEd Special Education	2- 3 years depending on part time or full time status	
MEd Special Education	2- 3 years depending on part time or full time status	
MSEd Curriculum and Instruction-Reading Education	2- 3 years depending on part time or full time status	
MEd Curriculum and Instruction-Reading Education	2- 3 years depending on part time or full time status	
MA Counseling	2 years	
MSEd Educational Administration	1 year	

DEGREE	TIME TO COMPLETE	FORMAT
MEd Educational Administration	1.5 years	▲
MS Computer Science	2 years	●
MS Computer Information System	2 years	●
MS Engineering	2- 3 years depending on part time or full time status	●
MS Electrical Engineering	2- 3 years depending on part time or full time status	●
MS Juvenile Justice	1 year	▲
MSN Family Nurse Practitioner	Full-time (5 semesters) Part-time (8 semesters)	●
MSN Nurse Administration	Full-time (5 semesters) Part-time (8 semesters)	●
MSN Nurse Education	Full-time (5 semesters) Part-time (8 semesters)	●
MS Physical Education	2 years	●
MEd Physical Health	2 years	●
MSEd Health	2 years	●
MEd Health	2 years	●
Doctor of Business Administration	3 years	+
PhD Educational Leadership	3-4 years	+
PhD Electrical Engineering	3-4 years	●
PhD Juvenile Justice	3-4 years	●
DNP Nursing Practice	Could be completed in 19 months (full-time enrollment option) and 28 months (part-time enrollment option)	+

Legend:

- ▲ **Online:** Selected programs and certificates are offered fully online for flexibility.
- ⊕ **Hybrid:** Many master's and doctoral programs follow a blended model.
- **In Person:** Research-intensive and clinical programs require in-person labs, residencies, and cohort experiences.

➤ Active Graduate Student Association (GSA) promoting leadership and advocacy.



Note

Evening / Weekend: Designed for working professionals

8-week / Mini-mester: Accelerated options in selected master's / certificates

16-week: Standard semester model for most programs.

Cohort: Applied in Educational Leadership, DNP, and other doctoral / professional programs.

Rolling Admissions: Available in select programs such as Juvenile Justice



Primary Location(s)

Main Campus (Prairie View):

Majority of master's and doctoral programs across Engineering, Agriculture, Juvenile Justice, Human Sciences, Sciences, and Education.

Northwest Houston Center (Houston):

Business programs—Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Master of Science in Accounting (MS Accounting)—plus Educational Leadership and select master's / doctoral programs designed for working professionals (weekend / hybrid formats).

Texas Medical Center (Houston):

Texas Medical Center (Houston): College of Nursing programs, including Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) tracks, Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), and post-master's certificates.

Program Level	Start Terms Offered	Priority Deadline	Final Deadline
General Master's Programs	Fall, Spring, Summer I and II	-	April 15 (Fall), Oct 1 (Spring), April 15 May 15 (Summer I / II)
General Doctoral Programs	Fall, Spring, Summer I and II	Feb 1 (Fall), September 1 (Spring)	Mar 1 (Fall), Oct 1 (Spring), May 15 (Summer II)
Rolling Admission Programs (MBA, EMBA, MSA, EDBA)	Multiple entry points (please refer to degree program for more details)	-	Rolling (evaluated as received)
PhD in Juvenile Justice	Fall only	March 1 (Priority)	Mar 1 (Final)



Note

Master's and Doctoral Programs follow structured admission terms with clearly set deadlines for each entry cycle.

Summer sessions are split into Summer I and Summer II, each with its own deadline (April 15 and May 15, respectively).

College of Nursing programs operate on a slightly different timeline due to clinical placement scheduling.

MBA and similar executive / business programs are highly flexible with rolling admissions, ideal for working professionals.

PhD in Juvenile Justice maintains a single Fall intake with no Spring / Summer option.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Career Outcomes

Special Programs and Pathways:

- » **4+1 / Accelerated**, dual degrees, stackable certificates / badges, bridge / leveling options for non-traditional entrants
- » **4+1 / Accelerated Pathways: (Engineering and Accounting)**
 - Select bachelor's-to-master's programs that allow students to complete both degrees in five years
- » **Dual Degrees:**
 - Opportunities to earn two complementary graduate degrees (program-dependent)
- » **Stackable Certificates and Badges:**
 - Graduate certificates that can stand alone or apply toward master's / doctoral degrees
- » **Bridge / Leveling Options:**
 - Designed for non-traditional entrants or students transitioning across disciplines
 - Provide academic preparation and skill development to support success in graduate study

TOP Roles / Pathways:

- **University and college faculty** (tenure-track and adjunct)
- **K-12 educational leaders** (principals, superintendents, counselors)
- **Healthcare professionals and leaders** (nurse practitioners, administrators, clinical specialists)
- **Engineers, computer scientists, and data analysts in industry and research**
- **Public policy analysts, justice system professionals, and nonprofit leaders**
- **Business executives, entrepreneurs, and financial managers**
- **Agricultural and environmental scientists** (sustainability, food, water, energy sectors)
- **Government, corporate, and community leaders across Texas and beyond**

Purpose of the Graduate Student Impact AWARDS

> Approximately

95%

of Prairie View A&M graduates are employed within one year of graduation—well above national and state averages.



The Graduate Student Impact Awards at Prairie View A&M University aims to recognize and celebrate graduate students' achievements, leadership, and contributions across various disciplines. These awards highlight academic excellence, research, service, and overall impact within the university and broader community. By acknowledging these accomplishments, PVAMU aims to motivate students to continue striving for excellence and to enhance the university's commitment to academic and professional development among its graduate student population.

GRADUATE TESTIMONIALS

What our students say

STUDENT TESTIMONIAL



PVAMU gave me the space to rediscover myself after a challenging period. Here, I grew as a communicator, a leader, and someone committed to building meaningful connections. I'm grateful for every moment.

- JOCELYNN POPPY JOHNSON
'25 College of Business, MBA

Graduate Student Association President and College Coordinator

STUDENT TESTIMONIAL



PVAMU offers a culture of resilience, pride, and purpose. It doesn't just prepare you—it propels you. I'm now exploring fellowships and roles that empower underrepresented voices through media.

- JAYVEN JEAN-LOUIS
'25 Master's or Certificate Program (Media / Tech)
Creative Executive and Producer-in-Training

GRADUATE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Requirements and Process

REQUIREMENTS

(1) General Requirements(all applicants):

- Completed online application (Apply Texas; BusinessCAS; NursingCAS)
- Official transcripts from all colleges / universities attended
- Résumé or CV highlighting academic and professional experience
- Statement of purpose / personal statement

(2) Supporting Documentation:

- 2-3 letters of recommendation (faculty or professional references)
- GRE / GMAT or other standardized test scores if required (waivers available for some programs)
- Portfolio, writing sample, or audition (for select programs)

(3) Program-Specific Requirements:

- Education and Counseling: Interviews and / or writing samples
- Nursing: Current RN license, health documents, background check, immunizations
- Engineering / Sciences: Research interests, GRE (if applicable)
- Business: GMAT / GRE (waivers considered), professional experience may be required

DEADLINES

Application Deadlines (general):

PROGRAM	TERM	PRIORITY DEADLINE	FINAL DEADLINE
Doctoral	Fall	February 1	March 1
Master's	Fall	-	April 15
Doctoral	Spring	September 1	October 1
Master's	Spring	-	October 1
Master's / Doctoral	Summer I	-	April 15
Master's / Doctoral	Summer II	-	May 15

- **Rolling Admission Programs** (MBA, some certificates): Applications accepted year-round, reviewed as received

Decision Timelines

- Applications reviewed; once all materials are received.
- Most decisions are made within 4-6 weeks of completed application submission for doctoral; about a week master's.
- Funding and assistantship decisions prioritized; for early applicants.
- Admitted students receive an official decision letter and email details, followed by onboarding instructions.



POST-SUBMISSION PROCESS:

- Applicants receive confirmation and access to the **PVAMU application portal for real-time updates.**
- **Initial review** by Graduate Admissions for completeness of materials
- **Faculty / committee review** for program-specific requirements (may include interviews, writing samples, or additional documentation).
- **Funding review:** Consideration for graduate assistantships, fellowships, or scholarships (priority given to early applicants)
- **Decision notification:** Admission decisions communicated through the portal and via email
- **Onboarding milestones:**
 - Acceptance packet and next steps
 - Enrollment confirmation and orientation details
 - Registration and advising with faculty / program coordinators

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