YEAR IN REVIEW
2020-2021
By the Numbers

1302 Graduate Faculty
101 Master’s Programs
76 Graduate Certificates
56 Doctoral Programs

Enrollment
- 6635 Graduate Students
- 3773 Master’s Students
- 2610 Doctoral Students
- 1315 International Students
- 252 Non-Degree Students

Degrees Awarded
- 1797 Master’s Degrees
- 382 Doctoral Degrees
- 202 Graduate Certificates
Our Graduate Students

Our students come from every U.S. state and from all corners of the world. We celebrate our rich diversity and enjoy the benefits it brings to our intellectual community and to the fabric of our society.
Recruiting for Excellence

Texas Tech’s position as a top-tier research university depends on the size, scope, and quality of its graduate enterprise. The Graduate School has a number of programs that help attract and support top-quality graduate students.

Recruitment Efforts

The Graduate School’s recruiting efforts bring Texas Tech to a diverse range of prospective graduate students.

- Attending state, national, and international recruiting events
- Assisting academic departments with their recruitment efforts
- Utilizing online recruiting platforms
- Connecting with working professionals as well as with prospective graduate students

Recruitment Fellowships

Presidential Fellowships provide a stipend of $34,000, tuition and small research and travel allowance for up to five years.

Recruitment fellowships augment departmental stipends for up to four years for doctoral students in order to make competitive offers. 259 recruitment fellowships were awarded last year.

Application Statistics

65.4% master’s applicants accepted

44.2% doctoral applicants accepted
International Applications

The Graduate School cultivates and facilitates international agreements for collaboration, student exchange, and joint degree programs. Approximately 155 new agreements have been made since 2013.

- India: 26.32%
- Bangladesh: 11.43%
- Iran: 6.91%
- China: 9.48%
- Nepal: 3.85%
- Nigeria: 12.23%
- Sri Lanka: 2.22%
- Ghana: 3.85%
- Pakistan: 1.86%
- Saudi Arabia: 2.88%
- Others: 26.32%
Domestic Applications
2020-2021

[Map of the United States showing states with numbers indicating the number of domestic applications.]
Advancing Student Success

The Graduate School is committed to helping students succeed in their programs and to ensure they have the skills they need to enter and succeed in the workforce.

Fellowships

Two hundred and fifty fellowship awards ranging from $500 - $30,000 are available to new and continuing students, both full-time and part-time, on a competitive basis.

Doctoral Dissertation Completion Fellowship awards enable doctoral students near the end of their programs to focus exclusively on their dissertation research to facilitate degree completion. Twenty-eight awards were offered last year.

The Graduate School assists students in developing and submitting fellowship applications to external sponsors (e.g., National Science Foundation).

Graduate Student Research Support Program

The Graduate Student Research Support Program—offered in collaboration with The CH Foundation, the Graduate Student Advisory Council, and Parent and Family Relations—provides up to $40,000 to assist students with research-related expenses.

Student Travel Program

The Student Travel Program matches department support to enable graduate students to present their work at professional conferences.
Student Life Activities

Regular social events and group activities, such as stress management sessions, occur multiple times throughout the semester.

Professional & Career Development

National surveys of employers and of our alumni indicate the need for professional development. Our program develops competencies in six core areas.

- Collaboration
- Commitment
- Communication
- Creativity
- Critical Thinking
- Culture

Graduate Center

The Graduate Center facility is dedicated exclusively for use to Texas Tech’s graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. The center is located at the heart of the Lubbock campus and serves as a hub for professional and career development and graduate student and postdoctoral life activities.

Student support and academic support services are available, including:

- Graduate Writing Center
- Statistical Consulting Services
- Professional Headshots
- Library Research Assistance
- Student Health Services
Where Students Go

Our graduate students gain the expertise, creativity, and courage to take on the world’s most complex challenges. They enter every sector of the economy and make significant and lasting contributions locally, nationally, and internationally.

Results from the Graduate Student Alumni Survey (2020-2021) indicate that over 87% of alums were satisfied/very satisfied with the overall quality of their graduate program and over 85% of alums were satisfied/very satisfied with how their graduate program prepared them for their careers.
Employment Sector

- Master's or Doctoral Granting University: 21.6%
- Business or Industry: 21.6%
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- Nonprofit: 3.4%
- Healthcare: 8.7%
- Government: 7.4%
- Self-Employed: 7.1%
- Military: 0.9%
- Volunteer Activity: 0.2%
- Other: 5.7%
- K-12 Education: 11.7%
- Four-Year Baccalaureate Granting College or University: 4.8%
- Post Secondary, Technical, or Two-Year Degree: 3.2%

Employment Location

- Texas: 75.1%
- West/Pacific: 8%
- South: 7.8%
- Midwest: 6%
- Northeast: 2.4%
- Other: 0.6%