

Accomplishments to Date

Since President Young's arrival in 2015:

- Research expenditures have risen nearly 13 percent, from \$854M at year end 2014 to \$965M in 2019.
- More than 750 National Merit Scholars recruited to campus.
- Texas A&M has expanded to new sites:
 - Texas A&M University's Washington, D.C. teaching site opens in Winter 2020 at which the Bush School of Government will launch first classes in Spring 2021.
 - McAllen Higher Education Center opened to serve one of the fastest growing areas in the nation in south Texas.
- Nearly two million additional square feet of space to the university, the vast majority of which is for academic pursuit:
 - 21st Century Classroom Building
 - Student Services Building
 - College of Dentistry Building
 - Two new academic buildings at Texas A&M Galveston
 - Plant Pathology and Microbiology Building
 - Zachry Engineering
 - Veterinary and Biomedical Education Complex
 - Music Activities Center
 - E.B. Cushing Track and Field Stadium
 - Davis Diamond for softball
 - New Instructional Laboratory (construction just approved)
- Significant rise in rankings:
 - World rankings: From #105 in 2014 to #73 in 2020. (Center for World University Rankings (CWUR)).
 - National rankings: From #56 in 2014 to #41 in 2020. (CWUR.)
 - National rankings: From #20 in 2015 to #11 Best Value School (Money Magazine)

- Mays Business School moved into the top ten (#9) public program in the U.S., #21 overall program in the U.S., #37 overall globally (The Economist).
- Texas A&M School of Law has risen more than 100 places, jumping 23 spots last year alone (the largest increase of any school in the top 100) to #60 in the nation. (USN&WR) and has built three top 10 programs (Intellectual Property, Technology & Innovation program, Dispute Resolution).
- Texas A&M College of Medicine ranked #18 in the nation in family medicine (USN&WR).
- Student Success Initiative launched to help students who come here stay here, succeed and graduate:
 - 2015 vs. 2020 first-year retention: from 89.8 percent to 94.2 percent.
 - 2015 vs. 2020 four-year graduation rates: from 54.1 percent to 58.6 percent.
 - 2015 vs. 2020 six-year graduation rates: from 79.1 percent to 82.2 percent.
 - 2015 vs. 2020 Galveston six-year graduation rate: from 56.3 percent to 70.5 percent.
 - Celebrating first generation students – 24 percent.
- The culmination of the ambitious \$4 billion Lead by Example fundraising campaign – one of the most ambitious in the U.S.
- Smart growth: from 62,185 students in 2014 to more than 71,200 students in Fall 2020 in order to meet demand for the state of Texas as a land grant university, while enhancing quality and rankings.
- Strong Undergraduate Hispanic growth – from 9,717 (20.4 percent) in 2014 to more than 14,000 (24.9 percent) in 2020. Expected to be Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) soon.
- Earned the Higher Education Excellence in Diversity “HEED” Award and “Diversity Champion” by INSIGHT Into Diversity Magazine for 2019 and 2020.

- Launched a new School of Innovation to enhance commercialization and facilitate collaboration for tomorrow.
- Established the President's Excellence Fund - Ten-year, \$100 million fund to unlock opportunities across colleges, divisions and faculty in collaborating on research. (X Grants and T3 Grants).
 - The first awarded round of 100 T3 Grant projects of \$3 million have received \$6.6 million in additional external funding to date.
 - The second awarded round of \$3 million in T3 Grants have yielded nearly \$5 million in additional external funding to date.
 - X Grants awarded (\$7 million in years one and two) have yielded an additional \$8.9 million in external awards to date, including the Phase I Centers of Chemical Innovation Program award by the National Science Foundation.
- Launched additional \$8 million Clinical Research Partnership Grants to stimulate new collaborations between Texas A&M Researchers and clinical partners.
- Launched \$1 million/year: Presidential Transformational Teaching Grants – funding 30 projects of two years each.
- Added more than 450 faculty since 2015.