

**Results of the Entering Student Survey
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1) How did you learn about TAMU-T?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A) From people at my high school	5	2.7	2.7	2.7
	B) From relatives or friends	73	39.0	40.1	42.9
	C) From a representative of TAMU-T	10	5.3	5.5	48.4
	E) From a college catalogue	9	4.8	4.9	53.3
	F) From material I received in the mail	7	3.7	3.8	57.1
	G) From material I read in a newspaper or magazine	11	5.9	6.0	63.2
	H) From a radio or TV advertisement	2	1.1	1.1	64.3
	I) From information display (education fair, convention, etc)	6	3.2	3.3	67.6
	J) From a billboard	1	.5	.5	68.1
	K) From people at the college from which I am transferring	58	31.0	31.9	100.0
	Total	182	97.3	100.0	
Missing	System	5	2.7		
Total		187	100.0		

2) What image do you have of TAMU-T?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A) A teacher training school	29	15.5	15.8	15.8
	B) An intellectually demanding school	14	7.5	7.6	23.4
	C) An inexpensive place to get an education	16	8.6	8.7	32.1
	D) A general liberal arts school	3	1.6	1.6	33.7
	E) A school with a faculty of high quality	19	10.2	10.3	44.0
	F) School with strong student services (counseling, aid, etc.)	5	2.7	2.7	46.7
	G) A school with a reputation for excellence in my field	30	16.0	16.3	63.0
	H) A non-demanding place to get an education	4	2.1	2.2	65.2
	I) A school with a promising future	33	17.6	17.9	83.2
	J) Have no clear image	31	16.6	16.8	100.0
	Total	184	98.4	100.0	
Missing	System	3	1.6		
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3) Compare TAMU-T printed materials to other schools

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Unknown - didn't receive similar material from other schools	82	43.9	44.3	44.3
	TAMU-T materials were worse than others	8	4.3	4.3	48.6
	TAMU-T materials were about the same	72	38.5	38.9	87.6
	TAMU-T materials were better than others	23	12.3	12.4	100.0
	Total	185	98.9	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.1		
Total		187	100.0		

4) At how many other colleges did you apply for admissions this year?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	None	134	71.7	71.7	71.7
	One	39	20.9	20.9	92.5
	Two	11	5.9	5.9	98.4
	Three	2	1.1	1.1	99.5
	Six or more	1	.5	.5	100.0
	Total	187	100.0	100.0	

5) Besides TAMU-T, at how many colleges were you accepted this year?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	None	138	73.8	74.6	74.6
	One	34	18.2	18.4	93.0
	Two	10	5.3	5.4	98.4
	Three	1	.5	.5	98.9
	Six or more	2	1.1	1.1	100.0
	Total	185	98.9	100.0	
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6) Was TAMU-T your first choice?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Yes	165	88.2	88.2	88.2
No	22	11.8	11.8	100.0
Total	187	100.0	100.0	

If No, which describes your first choice?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Another public university in Texas	13	7.0	59.1	59.1
A private university in Texas	1	.5	4.5	63.6
A public university out of Texas	7	3.7	31.8	95.5
A private university out of Texas	1	.5	4.5	100.0
Total	22	11.8	100.0	
Missing System	165	88.2		
Total	187	100.0		

7.) Factors that may have influenced your decision to attend TAMU-T

	Count	Pct of Responses	Pct of Cases
A) Academic reputation of TAMU-T			
B) Academic programs	50	7.8	26.7
C) Academic scholarship	82	12.8	43.9
D) Advice of a current or former TAMU-T student	29	4.5	15.5
E) Affiliation with The Texas A&M Univerersity System	45	7.0	24.1
F) Availability of financial aid	46	7.2	24.6
G) Campus visit or tour	27	4.2	14.4
H) Close to home	4	0.6	2.1
I) Counselor's or teacher's advice	161	25.1	86.1
J) Institution's social reputation	17	2.7	9.1
K) Range and availability of student services	10	1.6	5.3
L) Reasonable costs	7	1.1	3.7
M) Relative's advice	73	11.4	39.0
N) Reputation of TAMU-T in the job market	21	3.3	11.2
O) Reputation of TAMU-T's graduates in graduate schools	11	1.7	5.9
P) Size and availability of classes	7	1.1	3.7
Q) Other	41	6.4	21.9
Total responses	641	100.0	342.5

Other factors that may have influenced your decision to attend TAMU-T

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| -BAAS program | -Emphasis on non-traditional needs |
| -Web courses | -Number of non-traditional students |
| -Course options and degree options | -Toney Favors |

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8) What is your gender?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Male	52	27.8	28.0	28.0
	Female	134	71.7	72.0	100.0
	Total	186	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
Total		187	100.0		

9.) Objectives you consider essential

		Count	Pct of Responses	Pct of Cases
A)	Becoming an authority in my field	74	11.5	40.0
B)	A degree that provides entry into my chosen career field	136	21.1	73.5
C)	Courses that will enable me to transfer to another university	20	3.1	10.8
D)	Discovering my field of interest	36	5.6	19.5
E)	Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	26	4.0	14.1
F)	Influencing the political structure	10	1.5	5.4
G)	Influencing social values	40	6.2	21.6
H)	Improving my self-confidence	86	13.3	46.5
I)	Developing my ability to be self-reliant	62	9.6	33.5
J)	Developing my general skills to be adaptable in job market	89	13.8	48.1
K)	Preparing for graduate or professional school	67	10.4	36.2
Total responses		646	100.0	349.2

10) Race/Ethnicity

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	American Indian/Alaskan Native	2	1.1	1.1	1.1
	Black/non-Hispanic	27	14.4	14.6	15.7
	Hispanic	4	2.1	2.2	17.8
	White/non-Hispanic	152	81.3	82.2	100.0
	Total	185	98.9	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.1		
Total		187	100.0		

11) Do you feel that you have a permanent disability?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	8	4.3	4.3	4.3
	No	176	94.1	95.7	100.0
	Total	184	98.4	100.0	
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12) How many credit hours do you plan to take EACH TERM during this academic year?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	3 or less	18	9.6	9.7	9.7
	4-8	38	20.3	20.5	30.3
	9-11	17	9.1	9.2	39.5
	12-14	64	34.2	34.6	74.1
	15 or more	48	25.7	25.9	100.0
	Total	185	98.9	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.1		
Total		187	100.0		

13) What is the highest level of education completed by your father?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A) Did not graduate from high school	28	15.0	15.2	15.2
	B) High school graduate	67	35.8	36.4	51.6
	C) Attended college	40	21.4	21.7	73.4
	D) Completed two year college degree program	12	6.4	6.5	79.9
	E) Received a Bachelor's degree	20	10.7	10.9	90.8
	F) Attended graduate or professional school	1	.5	.5	91.3
	G) Received a graduate or professional-level degree	16	8.6	8.7	100.0
	Total	184	98.4	100.0	
Missing	System	3	1.6		
Total		187	100.0		

14) What is the highest level of education completed by your mother?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	A) Did not graduate from high school	20	10.7	10.8	10.8
	B) High school graduate	74	39.6	40.0	50.8
	C) Attended college	35	18.7	18.9	69.7
	D) Completed two year college degree program	17	9.1	9.2	78.9
	E) Received a Bachelor's degree	24	12.8	13.0	91.9
	F) Attended graduate or professional school	3	1.6	1.6	93.5
	G) Received a graduate or professional-level degree	12	6.4	6.5	100.0
	Total	185	98.9	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.1		
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15. Are you a Texas resident?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	131	70.1	70.4	70.4
	No	55	29.4	29.6	100.0
	Total	186	99.5	100.0	
Missing	System	1	.5		
Total		187	100.0		

If No, What state/country?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	ARKANSAS	51	27.3	98.1	98.1
	OKLAHOMA	1	.5	1.9	100.0
	Total	52	27.8	100.0	
Missing		135	72.2		
Total		187	100.0		

If Yes, what COUNTY?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	BOWIE	90	48.1	74.4	74.4
	CAMP	1	.5	.8	75.2
	CASS	18	9.6	14.9	90.1
	MILLER	1	.5	.8	90.9
	MORRIS	6	3.2	5.0	95.9
	ORANGE	1	.5	.8	96.7
	RED RIVE	2	1.1	1.7	98.3
	TITUS	2	1.1	1.7	100.0
	Total	121	64.7	100.0	
Missing		66	35.3		
Total		187	100.0		

16) Which of these is your top concern as you enter TAMU-T?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Academic	91	48.7	49.7	49.7
	Childcare	3	1.6	1.6	51.4
	Employment	22	11.8	12.0	63.4
	Family	19	10.2	10.4	73.8
	Finances	48	25.7	26.2	100.0
	Total	183	97.9	100.0	
Missing	System	4	2.1		
Total		187	100.0		

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17) Do you expect to apply for financial aid at TAMU-T?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes, I've applied	88	47.1	47.6	47.6
	No	67	35.8	36.2	83.8
	Yes, but I've not yet applied	30	16.0	16.2	100.0
	Total	185	98.9	100.0	
Missing	System	2	1.1		
Total		187	100.0		

18) Do you expect to apply for an academic scholarship?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes, I've applied	44	23.5	23.9	23.9
	No	79	42.2	42.9	66.8
	Yes, but I've not yet applied	61	32.6	33.2	100.0
	Total	184	98.4	100.0	
Missing	System	3	1.6		
Total		187	100.0		

19) Do you expect to be employed while attending TAMU-T?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	142	75.9	81.6	81.6
	No	32	17.1	18.4	100.0
	Total	174	93.0	100.0	
Missing	System	13	7.0		
Total		187	100.0		

If yes, how many hours per week?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Less than 20	17	9.1	11.3	11.3
	20-25	27	14.4	18.0	29.3
	26-30	16	8.6	10.7	40.0
	31-35	17	9.1	11.3	51.3
	36 or more	73	39.0	48.7	100.0
	Total	150	80.2	100.0	
Missing	System	37	19.8		
Total		187	100.0		

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20) Please indicate the degree program in which you expect to major:

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Accounting	14	7.5	16.5	16.5
Criminal Justice	11	5.9	12.9	29.4
Finance	3	1.6	3.5	32.9
Management	7	3.7	8.2	41.2
Marketing	6	3.2	7.1	48.2
Psychology	14	7.5	16.5	64.7
Business Administration	9	4.8	10.6	75.3
General Business	4	2.1	4.7	80.0
Human Resource Management	5	2.7	5.9	85.9
International Business	1	.5	1.2	87.1
Management Information Systems	7	3.7	8.2	95.3
Nursing	4	2.1	4.7	100.0
Total	85	45.5	100.0	
Missing System	102	54.5		
Total	187	100.0		

20) Please indicate the degree program in which you expect to major:

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid English	11	5.9	9.8	9.8
History	17	9.1	15.2	25.0
Mathematics	8	4.3	7.1	32.1
Applied Arts & Sciences (BAAS)	39	20.9	34.8	67.0
Interdisciplinary Studies	22	11.8	19.6	86.6
General Studies	6	3.2	5.4	92.0
Biology	9	4.8	8.0	100.0
Total	112	59.9	100.0	
Missing System	75	40.1		
Total	187	100.0		

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Academic Advising

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Dissatisfied	12	7.5	7.5	9.9
Satisfied	93	57.8	57.8	67.7
Very Satisfied	52	32.3	32.3	100.0
Total	161	100.0	100.0	

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21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Advising from Financial Aid Staff

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	6	4.8	4.8	4.8
Dissatisfied	13	10.4	10.4	15.2
Satisfied	64	51.2	51.2	66.4
Very Satisfied	42	33.6	33.6	100.0
Total	125	100.0	100.0	

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Correspondence from Admissions Office

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	3	1.8	1.8	1.8
Dissatisfied	10	6.1	6.1	8.0
Satisfied	86	52.8	52.8	60.7
Very Satisfied	64	39.3	39.3	100.0
Total	163	100.0	100.0	

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Registration Procedures

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	3	1.7	1.7	1.7
Dissatisfied	13	7.3	7.3	8.9
Satisfied	93	52.0	52.0	60.9
Very Satisfied	70	39.1	39.1	100.0
Total	179	100.0	100.0	

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Business Office Staff

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Dissatisfied	3	1.8	1.8	3.0
Satisfied	99	59.3	59.3	62.3
Very Satisfied	63	37.7	37.7	100.0
Total	167	100.0	100.0	

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21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Degree Planning Staff

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	6	3.9	3.9	3.9
Dissatisfied	10	6.5	6.5	10.5
Satisfied	77	50.3	50.3	60.8
Very Satisfied	60	39.2	39.2	100.0
Total	153	100.0	100.0	

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Financial Aid Staff

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	5	4.0	4.0	4.0
Dissatisfied	9	7.2	7.2	11.2
Satisfied	68	54.4	54.4	65.6
Very Satisfied	43	34.4	34.4	100.0
Total	125	100.0	100.0	

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Registrar's Office Staff

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	3	2.0	2.0	2.0
Dissatisfied	11	7.3	7.3	9.3
Satisfied	85	56.7	56.7	66.0
Very Satisfied	51	34.0	34.0	100.0
Total	150	100.0	100.0	

21) Please indicate your level of satisfaction with: Service from Student Support Service staff

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Very Dissatisfied	1	.9	.9	.9
Satisfied	65	60.2	60.2	61.1
Very Satisfied	42	38.9	38.9	100.0
Total	108	100.0	100.0	