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Mission Statement

Texas A&M University at Galveston is a special-purpose institution of higher education for undergraduate and graduate instruction in marine and maritime studies in science, engineering, and business and for research and public service related to the general field of marine resources. The institution is under the management and control of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, with degrees offered under the name and authority of Texas A&M University at College Station.

General Statement

Texas A&M University at Galveston, a branch campus of Texas A&M University, offers ocean-oriented academic degrees, research, continuing education, and public service in marine science, engineering, business, transportation, and liberal arts. Degrees are awarded from Texas A&M University. Ocean voyages, sailing in Galveston Bay, beachfront experiments, and independent study complement the rigorous classroom experience at Texas A&M University at Galveston. In addition to its academic programs, the campus houses the Texas A&M Maritime Academy, which offers training programs leading to officer licensing in the U.S. Merchant Marine.

Texas A&M University at Galveston offers ocean-oriented graduate studies with a Master of Marine Resources Management (MMRM), Master of Science (MS) in Marine Biology, Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Marine Biology, Master of Maritime Business Administration and Logistics (MMB), and a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Marine and Coastal Management and Science.

A 5-year program is offered to allow Coastal Environmental Science and Society majors to complete the Master of Marine Resources Management (MMRM) degree, combining their senior year of the

undergraduate program with the first year of MMRM. A similar 5-year program is offered to allow Maritime Business Administration majors to complete the Master of Maritime Business Administration and Logistics (MMB) in addition to the bachelor's degree program in a total of 5 years. A combined degree program with the Master of Maritime Business Administration and Logistics and the Juris Doctor is available in coordination with the Texas A&M School of Law. Students may also pursue either a Master of Engineering (MENG) or a Master of Science (MS) in Ocean Engineering from the Texas A&M College of Engineering on the Galveston campus.

Graduate Admissions

A formal application is required from a person seeking admission or readmission to graduate studies. An application fee of \$89 for U.S. citizens and permanent residents or \$114 for international applicants is required to process an application for admission. Application fees are non-refundable. The \$89 fee required of U.S. citizens or permanent residents may be waived, but only in exceptional cases, for low-income applicants. In such cases, an applicant should include with the application for admission a letter from his/her financial aid officer or other knowledgeable officer verifying the need for a waiver. A waiver of the \$114 international application fee is not available.

With the approval from the degree-granting unit providing admission, admission to graduate studies normally remains valid for one year from the term of acceptance with one \$89 or \$114 (as appropriate) application fee.

The normal requirement for admission to graduate studies is a scholastic record which, over at least the last two years of full-time academic study in a degree program, gives evidence of the applicant's ability to do successful graduate-level work.

An applicant whose academic record is not satisfactory, or who is changing fields of study, may be required to take additional work in preparation for graduate study. Such work will normally be arranged in conference with the graduate advisor or the head of the student's major department. Before accepting a student for graduate study, a department may require that the student pass a comprehensive examination covering the basic undergraduate work in that field.

To allow time for processing, application forms should be filed at least six weeks prior to the deadline for each semester (international applicants should refer to the deadlines under that heading). Admission to graduate studies cannot be completed until all the credentials requested in the application form have been received and evaluated. Further information on deadlines and specific application requirements for each degree can be found by visiting <http://www.tamug.edu/grad>. (<http://www.tamug.edu/grad/>)

In addition to the records sent to the Office of Admissions, a student should have in his/her possession a copy of his/her record for use in conferences with the graduate advisor or graduate faculty in his/her department. An applicant, otherwise qualified for admission to graduate studies, may not be approved in instances where the facilities and staff available in the particular field are not adequate to take care of the needs of the student.

Students interested in applying for admission to this program should visit the website <http://www.tamug.edu/grad> (<http://www.tamug.edu/grad/>) to obtain an online graduate admission application for the College of Marine Sciences and Maritime Studies graduate programs.

Students interested in receiving additional information on these programs should visit <http://www.tamug.edu/grad> (<http://www.tamug.edu/grad/>) or mail requests to:

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- Master of Engineering in Ocean Engineering (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/engineering/ocean/ocean-meng/>)
- Master of Science in Ocean Engineering (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/engineering/ocean/ocean-ms/>)
- Master of Science in Oceanography (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/arts-and-sciences/oceanography/ms/>)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Oceanography (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/arts-and-sciences/oceanography/phd/>)

College

College of Marine Sciences and Maritime Studies (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/galveston/marine-sciences-maritime-studies/>)