

DEPARTMENT OF HOSPITALITY, HOTEL MANAGEMENT AND TOURISM

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The Department of Hospitality, Hotel Management and Tourism consists of a team of student-centered faculty and staff offering degrees, certificates, and minors that lead to professional careers. Using a blend of in-person and online delivery, courses emphasize problem-solving skills and experiential learning. Students in this major learn how to incorporate social and life sciences into the design of meaningful experiences and to manage and market organizations associated with hospitality and hotels, recreation, events, and tourism. The academic programs couple theoretical foundations in hospitality, recreation, and tourism with real-world applications that provide students with tangible skills. Courses engage students in the study of planning, positioning, leadership, problem-solving, innovation, policy, marketing, and finance to enhance the quality of life and livability within Texas and beyond. Students have opportunities to apply course concepts by engaging in service-learning experiences both on-campus and in the community.

Within the Bachelor of Science degree students select one of three tracks: Business Hospitality; Event, Tourism and Recreation Management; or Hotel and Resort Management. Graduates of this degree develop their management careers in a range of settings - hotels and resorts, event venues, destination marketing organizations, municipal parks, performing arts facilities and on military bases.

The Department offers two certificates which are open to all majors:

- Professional Event Management Certificate (PEMC)
- Hospitality Management Certificate

The Department's two minors are open to all Texas A&M undergraduate students:

- Recreation Management
- Tourism Management

Faculty

Chang, Wen, Assistant Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2015

Chen, Po-Ju, Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, The Pennsylvania State University, 2003

Clark, Connor, Assistant Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, Arizona State University, 2022

Crompton, John L, Distinguished Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, Texas A&M University, 1977

Eden, Heather, Instructional Assistant Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, University of Wollongong, 2014

Eichler, Dan, Assistant Professor of the Practice
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
MA1, Conrad N Hilton College of Global Hospitality, 1996

Gip, Robert Huy, ACES Assistant Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, Conrad N Hilton College of Global Hospitality, 2023

Harwell, William R, Associate Professor of the Practice
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
MS, Memphis State University, 1980

Jamal, Tazim B, Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, University of Calgary, 1997

King, Brian Edward Melville, Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, Monash University, 1995

Kurten, Jenna, Instructional Assistant Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, Texas A&M University, 2019

Kyle, Kelly T, Instructional Assistant Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
MS, Pennsylvania State University, 2000

Petrack, James F, Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, Clemson University, 1999

Scott, Susan, Visiting Senior Lecturer
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
MS, Pennsylvania State University, 1987

Shafer, C S, Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, Clemson University, 1993

Suess Raeisinafchi, Courtney, Associate Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2014

Sullins, Donna, Instructional Assistant Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
EDD, University of Georgia, 2016

Taheri, Babak, Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, University of Strathclyde, UK, 2012

Tang, Mei Fung, Instructional Associate Professor
Hospitality Hotel Management & Tourism
PHD, Victoria University, Australia, 2012

Majors

- Bachelor of Science in Hospitality, Hotel Management and Tourism, Business Hospitality Track (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/bs-business-hospitality-track/>)
- Bachelor of Science in Hospitality, Hotel Management and Tourism, Event, Tourism and Recreation Management Track (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/bs-event-tourism-recreation-management-track/>)
- Bachelor of Science in Hospitality, Hotel Management and Tourism, Hotel and Resort Management Track (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/bs-hotel-resort-management-track/>)

Minors

- Recreation Management Minor (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/recreation-management-minor/>)
- Tourism Management Minor (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/tourism-management-minor/>)

Certificates

- Hospitality Management Certificate (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/hospitality-management-certificate/>)
- Professional Event Management Certificate (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/professional-event-management-certificate/>)
- Recreation and Park Management Certificate (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/recreation-park-management-certificate/>)
- Tourism Management Certificate (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/tourism-management-certificate/>)
- Youth Development Certificate (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/hospitality-hotel-management-tourism/youth-development-certificate/>)