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Since 1950, Texas A&M University and its branch campuses have been active members of Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU), a leader in advancing national priorities in science, health, education and security. Through this partnership, Texas A&M faculty, students and researchers gain access to ORAU's network of more than 150 major colleges and universities, specialized teams of experts and unique laboratory capabilities, which creates opportunities for collaboration, funding and groundbreaking research.

ORAU manages the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), offering Texas A&M students and researchers pathways to prestigious internships, fellowships and research initiatives that align with the nation's most pressing scientific and technological challenges. ORISE plays a key role in STEM workforce development, scientific and technical reviews and health-related studies. Through ORAU's university consortium, Texas A&M faculty and students collaborate with national experts on transformative scientific initiatives, reinforcing the university's leadership in research and innovation. ORAU connects Texas A&M researchers with government and private sector partners, fostering interdisciplinary projects that address critical issues in energy, environmental sustainability, healthcare and national security. As a champion of STEM education, ORAU provides Texas A&M students with invaluable resources to prepare for careers in science, engineering and technology. Research grants, professional development programs and mentorship opportunities further strengthen Texas A&M's role in shaping the next generation of scientific leaders.

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