

TCU STUDENT AFFAIRS

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TCU Student Affairs

LEAD ON to extraordinary experiences.

The Division of Student Affairs creates out of classroom experiences that allow students to build their leadership and decision making skills, commit to their health and well-being and learn to become contributing members of the community both at TCU and in the world.

Student Affairs Staff at Texas Christian University are provided with a stimulating and enriching work experience as members of a strong professional team. TCU is a vibrant community poised for amazing growth. Our lively community allows you to learn and grow as a professional and to reap the rewards of being part of a University that is forward-moving and ahead of the curve.

Mission

To provide student focused programs and services that support student success and enhance the collegiate experience.

Vision

To be an exceptional Student Affairs division that inspires students to embrace excellence in themselves and their community.

Start YOUR TCU Student Affairs journey here.

Student Affairs departments provide programs and services designed to fulfill students intellectual, occupational, emotional, spiritual, physical and cultural needs. From early TCU experiences such as Frog Camp and Orientation, to transitional events like accepting that first full-time position, the dedicated staff of Student Affairs is there to guide students and help create extraordinary life experiences. At TCU, you will see a devoted focus on developing relationships, meeting student needs and creating a community that cares for one another.

TCU is committed to creating a world-class, values-centered university, and the departments within Student Affairs are a fundamental element in bringing this vision to life. From large scale initiatives like Frogs First and LEAPS, to everyday interactions in our residence halls, chapter houses or Market Square, the Student Affairs staff is involved and invested in our students' lives.

Kathy Cavins-Tull
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs



Student Affairs Department Overviews

Brown-Lupton Health Center

Promotes, protects, maintains and restores TCU student's physical and mental health, keeping Horned Frogs healthy.

Campus Advocacy, Resources & Education

Advocates and supports survivors of sexual and gender-based harassment, sexual assault, dating and domestic violence and stalking while promoting education and awareness that empowers lasting change in our community.

Campus Recreation & Wellness Promotion

Promotes lifelong wellness through holistic education and quality recreation programs, services, and facilities that enhance the university experience through participation and leadership.

Center for Career & Professional Development

Engages students and alumni in career preparation and continuing development while promoting opportunities for success in a global workplace. The Career Center plays a crucial role in preparing students for life after college and in helping alumni through career transitions.

Church Relations

Provides leadership and support for the ongoing relationship between the University and the Christian Church, Disciples of Christ. The office works to support the University's covenant with the Disciples of Christ denomination, including its congregations and individual members.

Community Engagement

Positions TCU as an engaged and reflective campus by integrating service and learning through reciprocal community-based partnerships. From mentoring initiatives to spring break trips to sustainability programs, Community Engagement works to provide students meaningful local, national and international community service opportunities.





Community Scholars

Recruits top candidates from urban, high minority public high schools and offers more than \$6 million in scholarships each year. The Community Scholars Program is unique, life-changing and has transformed the nature of TCU into a vibrant diverse community that is essential for quality education.

Counseling & Mental Health Center

Provides psychological treatment and recovery services for TCU students with mental health or psychological concerns. The Counseling Center promotes psychological health, well-being, and resources for TCU students to cope with personal and academic challenges with a goal to facilitate a successful university experience.

Dean of Students

Promotes student learning, enhances campus life and provides a comprehensive, expert response to issues impeding collegiate success.

Fraternity & Sorority Life

Strives to build better men and women through the establishment of intergenerational relationships, the adoption of shared values, and the development of the skills needed to become leaders in a global community. The department provides guidance to individuals and groups as they navigate through fraternity and sorority life.

Housing & Residence Life

Creates the communities in which students live, study and build friendships. TCU is a residential campus by design, with more than 4,750 students living on campus. These students learn responsibility, problem-solving and how to be leaders. They begin to appreciate the unique perspective of others and develop a sense of belonging.

ID Center

Provides students, faculty and staff with reliable and verifiable identification and enables them to enjoy amenities on campus including sporting events, access to facilities, dining and special events.

International Services

Works to build innovative and tangible programs to engage international and domestic students towards the TCU mission of creating responsible, ethical global leaders. International Services is responsible for immigration, programming and adjustment-related topics of approximately 650 students from over 90 different countries at TCU.

Leadership & Student Involvement

Maximizes student potential through individual and community development. By overseeing leadership development, community involvement, organizational membership, experiential learning, mentoring, transitional programming, and the cultivation of a culture of care, Leadership & Student Involvement provides students with the opportunity to learn, to lead, to achieve, and to contribute.

New Student & Family Programs

The New Student & Family Programs team focuses on the transition from high school to college and connects students and their families to campus resources, academic life, and the TCU community through Orientation, transfer student services, and parent and family programs.

Our monthly Student Affairs Forums invite the entire division to gather and learn about a current topic, hear from campus leadership, and fellowship with colleagues we may not see every day. The family feel of campus that TCU students describe is also evident in our division. My professional development at TCU has prepared me to not only be a leader in my department but to chair campus-wide tasks forces and speak as an expert at national conferences.

*Keri Cyr
Executive Director of
Student Success*





Police

Strives to provide a safe and secure environment for students, faculty, staff and the surrounding community. The TCU Police department achieves this mission with well-trained, professional officers that protect person and property and take pride in what they do.

Public Safety

Educates and protects the TCU community by collaborating with stakeholders on all security related activities. The department is focused on building, sustaining and improving the capabilities to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to and recover from threatened or actual man-made or natural emergencies or disasters.

Quality Enhancement

Maximizes student learning and development by establishing and promoting a culture of accountability and program improvement built upon active and intentional assessment and evaluation efforts with the departments of Student Affairs.

Religious & Spiritual Life

Supports students' pursuit of spiritual growth, faith development and religious practice while fostering a campus atmosphere in which all members of the TCU community may fully express their beliefs, values, and traditions.

Robert Carr Chapel

Provides a welcoming, accessible and sacred space for worship, ceremonies, concerts and important gatherings for the campus and surrounding community.

Student Activities & Traditions

Creates a dynamic campus environment for all students at TCU by offering daily programs, University-wide events, and experiential leadership development opportunities. Student Activities endears students to TCU through irresistible events and experiential leadership opportunities. Students are entertained, challenged, comforted and make connections with other students across campus.

Student Identity & Engagement.

Promotes diversity, inclusiveness, and cultural awareness throughout the TCU community. The department provides student-focused programs and services that support inclusivity through engagement and retention, leadership development and education.

Student Success

The Student Success team supports students through various initiatives to holistically increase success and persistence through their time at TCU. Student Success team members collaborate across campus to perform research, create and maintain data, develop efforts on campus, examine policies and procedures, and provide one-on-one support to students. They accomplish this through Student Success Coaching, the Advance Registration Campaign, Peer2Peer Tutoring, exit surveys and interviews, and programming designed specifically to increase and recognize student success.

Substance Use & Recovery Services

Enhances students' overall academic experiences and personal development through the promotion of responsible decision making and healthy lifestyle choices, particularly regarding alcohol, drugs and related issues.

University Unions

Provides programs, services, and facilities that enhance the campus community. Brown-Lupton University Union and King Family Commons are the community centers for all members of the university family. These Unions are designed to provide a clean, comfortable and safe environment, offering services and amenities for the university's family and friends.

Veterans Services

Ensures that military and veteran students successfully make the transition from the military environment to campus life and are assisted in their progress toward completing their academic degree. Assistance includes coordinating with academic advising, tutoring, counseling, disability accommodations, veteran programming, benefits information, financial aid, and state and federal resources.





TCU nurtures doers, dreamers and trailblazers.

We are a family of leaders bound together by a sense of spirited belonging, and our community is united and driven by a shared passion- an inner fire that fuels us and drives each of us forward- for the greater good. This is a place where students learn how to adapt to what the future brings, develop critical-thinking skills and forge new paths. With a choice of rigorous academic programs in 116 undergraduate areas of study, 65 master's degree programs and 38 areas of doctoral study, Horned Frogs are primed for professional success and personal achievement after graduation.

This is an education in which people are the priority. The TCU experience enables our students to broaden their intellect, their beliefs and their values – the qualities most needed for leadership in a rapidly evolving environment. Whether in the fine arts or health or engineering, Horned Frogs can discover their passions and expand their talents. At TCU, professors love being in the classroom. These mentoring teacher-scholars also conduct well-published, leading-edge research, often with undergraduates at their side.

Horned Frogs live, learn and play 24-7 in a beautiful setting in the dynamic city of Fort Worth. They exercise in state-of-the-art recreational facilities, catch Big 12 NCAA athletic competitions and participate in 200-plus organizations without leaving campus. That is when they're not providing thousands of hours of volunteer service to their community, interning in New York or London, practicing journalism in Washington, D.C., experiencing international business in Hong Kong or perfecting Spanish in Seville.

This is how Horned Frogs are learning to change the world.

TCU's Vision in Action: LEAD ON

We are cultivating broader perspectives and ethical leaders.

In 2016, TCU launched a comprehensive study to identify what makes our university experience unique. Through conversations with students, faculty, staff, alumni and campus leadership, we identified elements of our core identity that most powerfully articulate what we do, how we do it and why it matters.

The results affirmed what we suspected – TCU is a powerful academic community made up of passionate and ethical leaders, all striving to become a force for the greater good. Whether it's in a science lab, on an athletic field or in the boardroom, Horned Frogs are positive change agents around the globe, striving for excellence with integrity. We are TCU. Lead On.

We have achieved much together over the past few years. And there is more to come. But we must be purposeful as we move into the third phase of Vision in Action. We are now charged with sustaining the momentum we have created. By doing so, we will bolster TCU and its ability to be a force for the greater good.

*Chancellor
Victor J. Boschini, Jr.*

Strategically developing a world-class, values-centered university.

Strengthen Academic Profile and Reputation

To maintain our momentum, we will continue to pursue the brightest students and will increase undergraduate enrollment by roughly 600 students for a total student body of 11,000 in coming years.

Strengthen Endowment

By strengthening our endowment, we will lessen the pressure and unsustainability of continual tuition increases. We will also significantly increase our financial strength and competitive advantage.

Strengthen TCU Experience and Campus Culture

TCU's culture—that sense of spirited belonging—is one of our greatest strengths, equally as important as the academic experience.

Strengthen Workforce-Both Employees and Graduates

To be the best, we must nurture the strongest faculty and staff who will then prepare our graduates to use their University degrees and experiences to make positive and lasting contributions to society.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER - SIR FRANCIS BACON

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TCU Race & Reconciliation Initiative

The Race & Reconciliation Initiative (RRI) is an academically-based, historically-focused initiative designed to investigate and document TCU's relationship with slavery, racism, and the Confederacy.

This academic endeavor will span multiple years. The focus for 2020-2021 is on Black Americans and TCU's experiences with racism, slavery and the Confederacy. Histories related to other identities will be explored in subsequent years.

Through the RRI, TCU will align with more than 60 universities worldwide as part of the Universities Studying Slavery Consortium, a movement designed for sharing research and strategies through semi-annual gatherings. Ultimately, the RRI helps the university embrace an active role in understanding and healing our community.

For more information including RRI recommendations visit
www.tcu.edu/race-reconciliation-initiative

Broad, cultural change takes time and a willingness to walk in your truth. Our RRI journey has spurred unprecedented engagement through reconciliation-focused working groups, virtual town halls, countless campus conversations, and enriching student and professor collaborations like our Reconcile This! podcast.

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College and Chair of the RRI*

TCU Quick Facts

Nickname: The Horned Frogs
9704 undergraduates
1550 graduate and professional students
Approximately 2,272 employees
13:1 full-time equivalent student/faculty ratio
Freshman-to-sophomore retention rate of 91 percent

The Campus

295 acres in a residential neighborhood five miles from the heart of downtown Fort Worth

Housing & Residence Life

4,950 residence hall beds
14 full-time Hall Directors
137 resident assistants

Church Affiliation

TCU values academic achievement, personal freedom, integrity, and the dignity and respect of the individual. We celebrate a heritage of inclusiveness and service. These values flow from our long-standing relationship with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), a Protestant denomination embracing both faith and reason. While the church plays no formal role in day-to-day University operations, it is a significant part of our history and tradition. There are 22 recognized religious organizations on campus, including groups for Christian, Jewish and Muslim students, faculty and staff. At TCU, students of all faith traditions are encouraged to explore their faith lives, their spiritual selves and their quest for meaning and purpose.





TCU & Fort Worth

Fort Worth is the one of the largest cities in Texas and the 13th-largest city in the United States. It's a destination shaped by a commitment to its downtown revitalization and urban renewal, a dedication to its world-renowned cultural arts district, rich pride in its Western heritage and a loyalty to major-league sports and family attractions. "Cowboys and Culture" isn't just a tagline, it's a way of life for Fort Worth's citizens and it provides a completely unique experience. Nowhere else can you find the western heritage that is so quintessentially Texas, beautifully preserved and honored through our Stockyards National Historic District and Sundance Square in Downtown. Cowboys and Culture rarely combine in such a harmonious mix, but Fort Worth is unique city that celebrates both in BIG Texas style. (Courtesy of www.fortworth.com)

Fort Worth has the downtown area that reminds you of major cities across the country but at the same time has a feel of being a small town. It becomes very clear that Fort Worth is a growing city that wants to hold on to its small town roots. There are so many different things to do and see in the city, from the historic Stockyards to renowned museums.

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