ISLAND DAY
CAMPUS PREVIEW EVENT
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI
November 16, 2019
Welcome to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi!

Island Day is designed so that you can test the waters at the Island University! You will have opportunities to meet our faculty and staff who are committed to every student’s success, learn about our academic programs, tour our state-of-the-art facilities, and meet students who were once in your shoes.

At A&M-Corpus Christi, no ocean is too deep to explore and the sky is the limit. Our scientists explore the Gulf of Mexico and work with the FAA and NASA to bring unmanned aerial vehicles to America’s skies. Our university beach is a living laboratory and our students perform on the finest stage in the Coastal Bend. We are excited to share why approximately 12,000 students and over 50,000 alumni have made the Island their home away from home.

Here are some recommendations to make the most out of your campus visit:

• **Take some time to review today’s schedule** and pick sessions that you would like to attend. Build your own schedule on page 6. Sessions include academic showcases, admissions, financial aid, residence life, and more!

• **Meet an Island Ambassador.** Island Ambassadors are TAMU-CC’s volunteer tour guides and host on-campus events for prospective students. They are eager to share why they love being Islanders and can help with directions.

• **Take care of business.** University staff members are on standby to answer any questions and help you become an Islander!

On behalf of the Islander family, thank you for visiting Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. We hope that your stay makes choosing a university a little easier.

Shakas up and Go Islanders!

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361.825.2820
Continental Breakfast  
University Center, Anchor Ballroom  
Enjoy a light breakfast, review today’s schedule, and meet with admissions representatives to check your application status or to submit shot records and official transcripts (in sealed envelopes). Island Ambassadors will escort you to the next session.

Welcome to the Island University  
Performing Arts Center  
Members from the Islander Pep Band and Spirit Teams will kick-off the day with a short pep rally! Learn about what to expect and how to make the most of your campus visit. Island Ambassadors will direct you to the Academic Showcases from this session.

Academic Showcase Sessions  
>>See pages 3 and 4 for sessions, times, and location.  
Discover some of the University’s top-rated programs! Choose from a variety of sessions to immerse yourself in the true Islander Experience. Be sure to review session times and locations.

Lunch and Island Fair Rotations  
>>Match your wristband color with the schedule below to determine your schedule.  
Get a taste of Islander Dining and browse information tables to meet members from various campus departments, organizations, and academic programs!  
Do you have dietary restrictions? Let a catering staff member know.

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Breakout Sessions  
>>See page 5  
Learn about admissions, financial aid, student life, housing, and more!

Izzy the Islander  
@Go_Islanders
Choose from a variety of **Academic Showcase Sessions** to attend.

### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

**Data Analytics and Service Learning Projects (and College of Business Overview)**  
9:45 - 10:30am & 10:40 - 11:25am  
O’Connor Building, room 145 - Dr. Nikki Changchit and Dr. Mohan Rao  
Participate in an innovative demonstration of the use of Data Analytics to solve problems for businesses and learn how the College of Business uses Service Learning Projects to engage students with the community. Also learn about the College of Business which is accredited by AACSB International in both Accounting and Business, a distinction held by only one percent of business schools worldwide. You’ll learn about our seven major areas, internship opportunities, and international experiences.

### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

**DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND LEARNING SCIENCES**

- **Teacher Education Information Session**  
  Island Hall, room 162 - Dr. Mark Hughes  
  Learn about programs preparing future educators, including certification preparation courses, field-base training, and the Early Childhood Development Center, the laboratory school located on campus. The College of Education and Human Development also offers minors that help build training and leadership skills for majors including business, liberal arts, and sciences.

**DEPARTMENT OF KINESIOLOGY**

- **Kinesiology Information Session and Lab Tours**  
  Island Hall, room 160 - Dr. Liana Davis and Dr. Heather Webb  
  Learn about the Kinesiology specializations including exercise science, EC-12 teacher certification, pre-physical/pre-occupational therapy, sport management, and allied health. Kinesiology also offers minors in exercise science and sport management. The tour will include the biomechanics lab, motor development lab, exercise physiology lab, athletic training center, fitness rooms, and equipment including Dartfish motion analysis, iDEXA body composition analysis tools, and Vizual Edge visual analysis tools.

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY SCIENCE**

- **Army ROTC - Islander Battalion**  
  O’Connor Building, room 116 - Mr. Raul Ramirez  
  Presentation topics include opportunities for leadership training, cadet life, hands-on/adventure training, and financial incentives.

### COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

**DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DANCE**

- **Break into Improv**  
  Warren Theatre, Center for the Arts - Ms. Meredith Melville  
  Laugh along with the Breakers Improv Ensemble as they create fun-filled mayhem! Under the direction of director, Meredith Melville, The Breakers will perform and then discuss the method behind the madness!

**DEPARTMENT OF ART AND DESIGN**

- **DESIGN: Creativity as Action**  
  Bay Hall, room 103 - Mr. David Hill  
  Visitors will explore how spontaneously and creatively our minds interpret design as meaning, an amazing phenomenon we take for granted! A variety of examples will come from pop culture, art history, and diagramatic analogs. Come prepared to discuss and opine!

**DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC**

- **Can you Improvise an Opera?**  
  Bay Hall, room 205 - Dr. Ellen Denham  
  Learn about improvisation as a tool for musicians to create theatrical works and to develop musical skills.

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

- **What is Crime? - Criminal Justice at TAMU-CC**  
  Bay Hall, room 104 - Dr. Wendi Pollock  
  This presentation will include a discussion about the wide and changing range of behaviors that are labeled “crimes”, and how one system struggles to handle them all. From there we will cover what students will learn about crime and the criminal justice system here at TAMUCC, and see some videos of things happening around campus with criminal justice students.

**DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY**

- **The Self-Justification of Academic Failure - Psychology at TAMU-CC**  
  Bay Hall, room 206 - Dr. Steven Seidel  
  In this presentation, the process of self-justification (based on cognitive dissonance theory) is applied to failure in an academic setting. Self-justification of academic failure often results in students undermining their own academic performance while in college. With a good understanding of how this process works, students can be better prepared for college and increase their likelihood of success. In addition, we will discuss the important role that adopting growth mindsets play on college performance.

- **Give me Some Space; The Sociology of Norms of Social Space in Public - Sociology at TAMU-CC**  
  Bay Hall, room 207 - Dr. Michael Ramirez  
  Sociologists study the social lives of people in the world - and in some cases, the invisible norms that many of us follow without realizing. In this lecture, Dr. Ramirez will discuss an overview of social norms as they relate to social space, expectations of space in public, and then explore how these norms vary by culture.
**COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES**

**Welcome to Nursing and Health Sciences!**
Center for Instruction, room 113 - Professor Leigh Shaver
This presentation will consist of a general overview of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences.

**Nursing Facilities Tour - Islander Regional Hospital**
9:45 - 10:30am & 10:40 - 11:25am

**Islander Student Panel**
Center for Instruction, room 138 - Island Ambassadors
Guests will have the opportunity to tour the state-of-the-art simulated hospital ward and patient simulator labs.

**COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING**

**How are Robotics and Autonomous Machines Related to Electrical Engineering?**
Dr. Robert R. Furgason Engineering Building, room 108 - Dr. Pablo Rangel
This session provides a brief overview of the Electrical Engineering program and how it connects to the creation of robots and autonomous machines. The presentation showcases examples from our current research projects involving swarms of autonomous unmanned systems and socially assistive humanoid robots.

**Engineering: Calculations and Simulation in Mechanical Design**
Dr. Robert R. Furgason Engineering Building, room 106 - Dr. Aurelian Siminescu
A general introduction to the engineering profession will be made, and then the specifics of the TAMUCC engineering programs will be presented. Of the classes students take towards a mechanical engineering degree at TAMUCC, the Capstone Project class will be detailed, showing examples of design, engineering calculation and computer simulation work that students performed part of their design.

**NEW Engineering Programs (Civil and Industrial Engineering)**
Dr. Robert R. Furgason Engineering Building, room 101 - Dr. Bruce Lee, Dr. Jangwoon Park, and Dr. Hua Zhang
This session provides an overview of our NEW Civil and Industrial engineering programs as well as associated research activities. These are new programs which will start in the Fall 2020.

**DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTING SCIENCES**

**Computer Science at TAMU-CC**
Dr. Robert R. Furgason Engineering Building, room 107 - Dr. Mohammed Belkhouche
Learn about TAMU-CC's computer science program and the tracks offered for a profession in this field.

**Atmospheric Science at TAMU-CC**
Center for Instruction, room 127 - Dr. Pat Fitzpatrick
We will provide a program overview and look into the world of atmospheric science. We will describe how the program is preparing students for: government jobs including the National Weather Service; the private sector; graduate school; and broadcast TV. We will discuss undergraduate and graduate student participation in research and internship activities. We will present faculty research specialties, which include: hurricanes; satellite meteorology; lightning and the electrical field; El Niño; rainfall; and oceanography. The table demonstration at the Island Fair will include green screen technology, examples of weather instruments; and the “tornado machine.”

**Environmental Science at TAMU-CC**
Center for Instruction, room 126 - Dr. Jennifer Smith-Engle
Environmental science is a highly interdisciplinary field embracing core sciences, regulations, and emerging technologies. Potential careers include consulting, positions in industry, local, state or federal agencies, non-profits, education, law, and more. Field trips, internships and undergraduate research provide high-impact learning opportunities, and customized degree plans fit students’ individual interests and goals.

**21st Century Challenges: Chemistry at TAMUCC**
Center for Instruction, room 129 - Dr. Patrick Larkin
A review of current chemistry-related challenges and opportunities, as well as a description of the chemistry program and major at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

**DEPARTMENT OF LIFE SCIENCES**

**The Real 411 on Forensic Science Careers, or “How do I get one of those?”**
Center for Instruction, room 107 - Dr. Sharon M. Derrick, D-ABFA
The Forensic Science Program Coordinator at TAMU-CC, a practicing forensic anthropologist, will explore the diverse careers available in the forensic sciences. Particular emphasis will be placed on forensic applications of the life sciences, including pathology, anthropology, and dentistry. Questions and discussion regarding TAMU-CC course offerings and preparation for a forensic science career are welcomed.

**Succeeding in Your First Year of College**
Center for Instruction, room 108- Dr. Judy Metcalf
The transition from High School Student to University Student is a challenging one. This presentation will walk through some of the most common issues that first semester freshman face both in and out of the classroom and offer insights and concrete suggestions that will help students prepare for the transition and success in their first year of college. Dr. Metcalf is a professor of Anatomy and Physiology.

**STUDENT PANEL**

Islander Student Panel
Center for Instruction, room 138 - Island Ambassadors
Get an Islanders point of view from everything from campus dining, student life, and college transition tips.
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<td><strong>Tours - Miramar &amp; Momentum Village</strong>&lt;br&gt;Stop by our housing communities to tour Miramar (on the Island Campus) and Momentum Village (located on Momentum Campus). <strong>Miramar:</strong> Offering Tours of a private residence hall and 2 bedroom apartment until 5:00pm. <strong>Momentum Village:</strong> Offering tours of the community and 4 Bedroom-4 Bathroom apartment until 5:00pm. Momentum Village is located on 7037 Islander Way on the corner of Ennis Joslin Rd. and Islander Way (approximately one mile from the Island Campus).</td>
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<td><strong>Honors Program Information Session</strong>&lt;br&gt;O’Connor Building, room 145&lt;br&gt;Learn more about the University’s Honors Program and opportunities for research, creative activity, study abroad, and service learning. <strong>Requirements to join the Honors Program:</strong> <strong>Freshmen:</strong> Top 15% or 3.5 GPA, PLUS 26+ ACT OR 1200+ SAT score. <strong>Transfers:</strong> Complete 24 hours and maintain a 3.5 GPA.</td>
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<td><strong>Campus Tours</strong>&lt;br&gt;Departing from University Center Info Desk&lt;br&gt;One-hour campus tours led by an Island Ambassador. Departing every session.</td>
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<td><strong>Check-out</strong>&lt;br&gt;University Center, Rotunda (near back windows)&lt;br&gt;Complete a survey and get your Islander T-shirt!</td>
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In addition to attending the housing tours, we recommend that you attend the “Islander Housing - On-Campus Living” session to learn detailed information about our on-campus housing communities and our residency requirement for first-year students.

Tour Islander Housing! Shuttles to Momentum Village will be departing from the University Center roundabout and guests will be dropped off at Miramar. Service will be from 12:00-5:00pm.
## BUILD YOUR OWN SCHEDULE

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Keep up with what’s happening at TAMU-CC!

tamucc_islander @islandcampus @island_university /islanduniversity
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi’s recruitment team is made up of admissions counselors who assist prospective freshmen, transfer, and graduate students. Contact an admissions counselor for assistance with the application and enrollment process. We look forward to taking your call or email and would be happy to meet you in-person!
OPEN FOR VISITS

Islander Welcome Center (LOST AND FOUND)
10:00am - 5:00pm

Student Services Center
“The Round Building”
10:00am - 5:00pm

Islander Housing
Momentum Village and Miramar
12:00 - 5:00pm
Shuttle service available at University Center Roundabout!

The Campus Store
8:00am - 4:00pm

Bell Library
10:00am - 6:00pm

Dugan Wellness Center
Stop at Information Desk for tours
11:00am - 5:00pm

Starbucks
8:00am - 5:00pm

Islander Dining Hall
10:00am - 8:00pm (brunch, light lunch, and dinner)

Chick-fil-A
The Cove at the University Center
11:00am - 4:00pm

Breakers Game Room
University Center Rotunda near Post Office
10:00am - 2:00pm

MOST DIALED LIST

Islander Welcome Center
tour.tamucc.edu / 361.825.8687

Recruitment and Admissions
futureislander.tamucc.edu / 361.825.2624

Financial Aid
osfa.tamucc.edu / 361.825.2338

Islander Housing
housing.tamucc.edu / 361.825.4663

Islander Launch - Orientation
islanderlaunch.tamucc.edu / 361.825.2700

Disability Services
disabilityservices.tamucc.edu / 361.825.5816

Veterans Affairs
vets.tamucc.edu/ 361.825.2331

Academic Testing Center
testing.tamucc.edu / 361.825.2334

University College
ucoll.tamucc.edu / 361.825.2150

College of Business
cob.tamucc.edu / 361.825.6045

College of Education & Human Development
education.tamucc.edu / 361.825.2662

College of Liberal Arts
cla.tamucc.edu / 361.825.2651

College of Nursing & Health Science
conhs.tamucc.edu / 361.825.2648

College of Science & Engineering
sci.tamucc.edu / 361.825.5777

Honors Program
honors.tamucc.edu/ 361.825.3926

Islanders Athletics
goislanders.com / 361.825.5541
Staying in town tonight?

Join us at the American Bank Center Arena in downtown Corpus Christi as the Islanders basketball team take on the Bison of North Dakota State. Tip-off is at 6:30pm.

Tickets are available at the American Bank Center arena box office.

FMI: goislanders.com
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