Tarleton University System Center — Central Texas
Killeen, Texas

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Tarleton University System Center — Central Texas, born in the spirit of community cooperation, opened its doors on September 1, 1999, as the newest extension of Tarleton's outreach of higher education. Tarleton — Central Texas is an upper-level institution offering junior- and senior-level undergraduate courses, bachelor’s degrees, and master’s degrees.

Tarleton — Central Texas has a diverse student population comprised of nearly 2,000 recent community college graduates, working adults, active-duty military, and returning students who are fulfilling educational requirements for career advancement or who seek personal enrichment. As a consequence, classes are offered during the day, in the evening, and on weekends to accommodate both full-time and part-time students. Advisors and support staff are available to assist with admission, financial aid, degree plans, and career planning.

Of the more than 80 degrees available to Tarleton students, 23 are currently offered at Tarleton — Central Texas. Several additional degree offerings from the Stephenville campus are under consideration, and academic partnerships with other universities and private organizations are being explored. In addition, expanded articulation agreements are being developed with several community colleges in central Texas.

Undergraduate degree programs currently offered at Tarleton — Central Texas include:

- Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (p. 52, 136)
- Bachelor of Arts in History (p. 173)
- Bachelor of Arts in Political Science (p. 174)
- Bachelor of Business Administration (p. 127, 137)
- Bachelor of Science in Accounting (p. 127)
- Bachelor of Science in Applied Sciences (p. 53)
- Bachelor of Science in Aviation Science (p. 197)
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (p. 137)
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems (p. 130)
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (p. 203)
- Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (p. 177)
- Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies (p. 151)
- Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies (p. 51)
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing - RN to BSN (p. 211)
- Bachelor of Science in Psychology (p. 159)
- Bachelor of Social Work (p. 176)

Graduate degree programs include:

- Master of Arts in History (p. 259)
- Master of Business Administration (p. 234)
- Master of Criminal Justice (p. 262)
- Master of Education in Educational Administration (p. 242)
- Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction (p. 240)
- Master of Education in Counseling (p. 253)
- Master of Science in Counseling Psychology (p. 257)
- Master of Science in Educational Psychology (p. 257)
- Master of Science in Human Resource Management (p. 237)
- Master of Science in Information Systems (p. 236)
- Master of Science in Liberal Studies (p. 226)
- Master of Science in Management and Leadership (p. 238)
- Master of Science in Mathematics (p. 266)

Tarleton — Central Texas is located at the corner of South Clear Creek Road and University Drive, just south of Highway 190 in Killeen. For more information, visit www.tarleton.edu/centraltexas or call (254) 519-5400.
STUDENT LIFE

The Division of Student Life creates a campus environment for learning and development, serving student interests in every aspect of university life. To achieve these goals, the Vice President for Student Life supervises and coordinates programs for all aspects of student life. At Tarleton – Central Texas, these programs include special provisions for our working, adult, and military student populations.

STUDENT LIFE

The Office of the Dean of Students promotes a campus environment that allows all students to learn and develop. The Dean serves as the University contact for student-related inquiries, grievances, and emergencies. The staff also serves as consultants to faculty and staff regarding student problems and concerns. This office enforces University policies, coordinating student legal services and providing information and support to students who want to become more involved in campus life. Staff members are available for appointments outside of regular business hours and in off-campus instructional locations such as Shoemaker High School and the Fort Hood Soldier Development Center.

The Student Leadership Advisory Forum is the representative voice of Tarleton – Central Texas students and brings the interests and concerns of students to the attention of the administration and University community. The Forum works cooperatively with the University administration on policies affecting students in the areas of academics, campus regulations, allocation of student service fees, and student membership on University committees, and works in conjunction with the Student Government Association when appropriate. It also initiates programs for the improvement and enrichment of the student body and the University community.

For more information regarding Student Life at Tarleton – Central Texas, come by Room 114 of the Tarleton – Central Texas building at 1901 S. Clear Creek, or visit us on the web at www.tarleton.edu/centraltexas/students.htm.

Regular updates and announcements of concern to Central Texas students are posted on the Central Texas homepage at www.tarleton.edu/centraltexas.

CAREER SERVICES

Located in Room 114B of the Tarleton – Central Texas building, the Career Services Center assists students in the selection of a career field. The Pinpoint Guidance System, an interactive computer program, and other career inventories provide feedback for occupational preferences based on personality profiles and personal value systems. Personal career counseling sessions are scheduled by appointment. Career services sponsors four local job fairs each year, and on-campus interviews with selected employers are available. Electronic resume posting and registration is available. Local full and part-time job listings are posted on a bulletin board in the center and can be found on the Career Services homepage.

Resume assistance, mock interviews, business etiquette dinners, and career development workshops are available to assist students with their full-time job search. To find out more about our services, visit www.tarleton.edu/~careers/.

HOUSING

Tarleton State University – Central Texas maintains no residence facilities at the Central Texas location, but has contracted with adjacent Central Texas College to provide residential services for enrolled students. A five-day per week meal plan is also available. These housing and dining facilities are within walking distance of the Tarleton – Central Texas building. Students interested in living in the residence halls at Central Texas College may contact the Office of the Dean of Students for a residence hall application form or for more information. All payments for housing are arranged between the student and Central Texas College.

FINANCIAL AID

The Office of Financial Aid offers student loans, grants, work opportunities and scholarships. For more information about financial assistance, please refer to page 64 in this catalog, visit the Office of Financial Aid in room 114 of the Tarleton – Central Texas building or visit us online at www.tarleton.edu/~finaid/.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Tarleton—Central Texas shares library resources and facilities with the Oveta Culp Hobby Library of Central Texas College. The building is located directly adjacent to the duck pond. The shared collection includes more than 200,000 book and microform items, 400 print periodical subscriptions, and over 160 electronic databases. The Library also houses a computer lab, law library, and audio-visual resources. Librarians from both Tarleton and CTC are available to assist students with the use of library resources and services.

Interlibrary loan requests include the exchange of books and articles from Stephenville’s Dick Smith Library. This electronic request system (ILLiad) is at http://illiad.tarleton.edu/illiad/logon.html. A courier delivers materials between the Killeen and Stephenville campuses two times each week.
PARKING AND AUTOMOBILE REGULATIONS

All vehicles owned, parked, or operated on campus at any time by students, faculty, and staff should be registered with the Office of University Police. All student vehicles must be registered at the beginning of each semester or at any time they are brought onto campus. Everyone applying for vehicle registration must furnish a driver’s license and a vehicle license number. Students, faculty, and staff are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the Traffic and Parking Regulations. Your Tarleton – Central Texas parking permit allows you to park at the Center building on 1901 S. Clear Creek and on the Central Texas College campus.

Students enrolling in courses on Fort Hood must secure an additional pass to enter the installation. Please consult our website, www.tarleton.edu/centraltx at the beginning of each semester for information on how to secure your permit.

RECREATIONAL SPORTS

Participation in competitive and recreational sporting activities is an essential part of the educational experience. Students at Tarleton – Central Texas may use the Recreational Sports facilities at adjacent Central Texas College at no charge; students should have their ID card validated in the Office of the Dean of Students to be eligible to use this facility.

Students wishing to participate in intramural, local or city league competitions may secure sponsorship for Tarleton teams by contacting student services in Room 114.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Participation in organizations and activities adds an important dimension to the college experience. In addition to making friends, students have the opportunity to develop leadership skills that are important for their future. Students may participate in a variety of recognized organizations, including academically-focused groups, honor societies, and a variety of special interest associations. Sponsorship for special activities, conferences and speakers is available through the Office of the Dean of Students.

Students and their families are welcomed at several campus-wide activities during the year. In addition, free transportation is provided for selected activities occurring on the Tarleton campus in Stephenville. For more information on upcoming events, visit us on the web at www.tarleton.edu/centraltx/students.htm.

STUDENT COUNSELING SERVICES

Tarleton – Central Texas maintains a referral bank of local counseling services that students may consult when confronted with a variety of personal concerns. In addition, the Student Counseling Center website offers a variety of online resources and self-help materials at www.tarleton.edu/~counseling/. Students in need of referrals or other assistance should contact the Dean of Students in Room 114. All inquiries are held in confidence. Confidentiality is maintained to the limits provided by Texas law and professional ethics, and no record of counseling is made on academic transcripts.

Regular outreach sessions and programming on special issues are provided throughout the semester and are announced on our website at www.tarleton.edu/centraltx/students.htm.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The Office of Student Publications, located at Tarleton’s main campus in Stephenville, serves the University by providing the campus newspaper, the yearbook and the student handbook.

The J-TAC is the official newspaper of the student body and is published weekly during the fall and spring semesters and once during the summer. Tarleton – Central Texas students are eligible to apply for paid positions on the J-TAC staff. The J-TAC is also available online at www.tarleton.edu/~j-tac

The Grassburr is the University yearbook that chronicles key events, activities and programs that occur throughout the academic year and displays pictures of students and student organizations.

The Student Handbook/Planner provides a detailed explanation of Tarleton State University services, rules, and regulations and policies of The Texas A&M University System. The handbook is available at the beginning of the fall semester and can be obtained through the Office of the Dean of Students or online at www.tarleton.edu/~stuserv/handbook.