ocean passion ~ global impact
Welcome to Galveston Campus of Texas A&M University (TAMUG). This is a unique institution that offers students extraordinary experiences near, on, or in the water and in the classroom. We sincerely hope you will join us.

As dedicated as our Faculty are to their scholarship, they are equally passionate about, in collaboration with our outstanding staff, engaging every student at TAMUG in high impact learning experiences. This is evident in our classes, where students get involved in First Year Seminars, spend time on the water using our fleet of research vessels, participate in collaborative projects and service learning, and finish with a senior capstone project or a senior thesis. This involvement is evident in the number of undergraduates (one in three on campus) from every major that pursue research, in close collaboration with a Faculty mentor, in one of our many scholarships programs, or in any of our cutting edge labs or centers. It is evident in the numerous opportunities for students to continue learning away from campus in a study abroad course or internship (one out of every two students). It is finally evident in the vast majority of our students (four out of every five) that engage in extracurricular student organizations. Through this engagement, we ensure that our students are not just learning the content of their major, but that they also are offered options to add practical, critical thinking, and leadership skills that will help them thrive during and after college. Our alumni have spoken. A recent survey of alumni who graduated over the past 10 years show that the vast majority of them are satisfied with their decision to enroll at TAMUG, and the quality of their education and that they would do it again provided the choice. More importantly, the majority of them indicated that they had been positively impacted by their participation in extracurricular experiences while enrolled at TAMUG.

The world is rapidly changing, and our campus is changing right along with it. We are adding new academic program and coursework options each year to continue addressing all of the opportunities and challenges the oceans and coastal environments hold. This is enabled by the hiring of new faculty members who are at the forefront of their respective fields. The campus is also changing physically, with the building of several new state-of-the-art facilities, including those pictured below. The opening of the first phase of our new Academic Complex next Fall will give our students a host of state-of-the-art collaborative spaces, laboratories, and special-purpose classrooms.

We are preparing students to go out into the world and make a real impact. Some will do this as scientists working to maintain ocean-related ecosystems, some as business leaders or maritime leaders in an increasingly globalized economy, and all as engaged citizens and professionals in any one of the myriad fields TAMUG has prepared them for. We sincerely hope you will join us.

Patrick Louchouarn, Ph.D.
Executive Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Chief Academic Officer

Welcome to the family, future Aggies!

Texas A&M University at Galveston is my home. In fact, the address on my driver’s license is the school’s address, 1001 Texas Clipper Rd. Growing up I moved around to nearly a dozen homes, but I never found one so welcoming as Texas A&M Galveston. Before arriving, I didn’t know a lot about A&M, but my love of the ocean brought me here all the way from South Carolina. Within two days of Salt Camp, I was transformed into the loudest and proudest member of the Fighting Texas Aggies Class of 2018. I did my best to plant my roots and make friends in the community. I’ve been blessed with friendships that will last a lifetime. Through these friendships, I joined clubs and organizations making even more friends. Through service to the school, I’ve been able to influence incoming freshman and show them how wonderful this campus is. In some universities you are a number, but not here. Here you are an Aggie, part of the family, and everyone welcomes you with a “Howdy!” and a “Gig ‘em Ags!”

Coming to Texas A&M Galveston was the best choice I’ve ever made for my education, my family, and my future.

Bobby ’16
Bravo Two Company Commander
Senior Head Yell Leader
Student Ambassador
Texas A&M Galveston’s unique island location provides students with ample opportunities to get a 360-degree view of the ocean! We are located at the center of one of the five biggest port systems in the U.S. and the energy capital of the world. We are beside the second most productive estuary in the nation, surrounded with diverse ecosystems teaming with a vast range of species and. This affords our students a near endless number of opportunities to get hands on experience, in the form of internships and research.

- Get real-time training on boat handling aboard one of our 19 vessels or in one of our three state-of-the-art ship simulators
- Gain experience solving real global problems in one of our cutting edge labs (35% of our students complete extracurricular research as undergraduates)
- Learn in our brand new educational facility in modern collaborative study spaces and teaching labs
- Work in the Sea Life Center where sea creatures are researched, rescued and returned to the ocean
- Learn aboard a fleet of floating classrooms with immediate access to Galveston Bay and the ocean
- Build your network, skills, and experience with an internship in the thriving local economy (49% of our students complete an internship)

Being a Sea Aggie is about

Personal & Professional Growth

This is on a mountainside by the Russian border with Georgia during a Corps Excursion.

I traveled with the California Maritime Academy for Senior Cruise. One of the stops was in Barcelona, Spain, where we hiked to the top of a hill overlooking the city.

The Training Ship Golden Bear the day I boarded in Boston for a 62 day cruise.

SavannahLooper, Marine Transportation ’17

Being a Sea Aggie is about

Carrying on long-standing traditions

The Traditions Council works to uphold the Aggie traditions.

Aggie Ring Day is a symbol of hard work and perseverance.

Maritime Ball honors every Aggie’s dedication.

Tori Hanson, Oceans and One Health ’17

Being a Sea Aggie is about

Adventure

My friends and I love exploring and adventuring as much as possible! We went down to Shell Beach and found a lot of little creatures.

The campus Outdoors Program had just introduced their new equipment; my roommates and I immediately reserved the paddle boards.

This was a dive trip to Cozumel over break. Being able to experience this with a fellow marine biology lover was a great experience!

Katie Adams, Marine Biology ’18

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Abby Grant, Class of 2017, Marine Biology major, Minors in History and Diving Technology & Methods

Marine Biology
Marine Biologists study organisms in or near the water - from single-celled algae up to the giant blue whale! This degree will prepare you for a wide array of careers including working at an aquarium, in a research lab, or for government agencies such as NOAA. Visit tamug.edu/marb to learn more.

Marine Fisheries
Marine Fisheries majors study biological sciences with an emphasis on marine management. With coursework in ecology, taxonomy, and zoogeography, plus ample hands-on field experience, graduates are prepared to work as fisheries managers, research biologists, ecological consultants, and much more! Visit tamug.edu/marb/marf to learn more.

Marine Sciences
Marine Science majors focus on the physical, geological and chemical aspects of science of the marine, estuarine, and coastal environment. The significant field and laboratory experience that students are involved in prepares them for further graduate study in Oceanography or related disciplines or to enter into jobs such as environmental monitoring, oceanographic instrumentation, pollution control, or the onshore or offshore oil industry. Visit tamug.edu/mars to learn more.

Ocean and Coastal Resources
Ocean and Coastal Resources educates students on the economic, environmental and social issues related to the development of marine resources, while providing them with the scientific background needed to understand these issues. These resources include fisheries, oil and gas, ocean mining and others. The curriculum includes physical as well as geological and biological sciences, along with economics, political science and law, and relates to graduate programs in the rapidly expanding field of marine and coastal resource management. Visit tamug.edu/mars for more information.

“Our students have opportunities from feeling the sand between their toes to diving deep below the surface of our vast oceans. Whether in the field or in the lab, they will have opportunities to learn new techniques, work with a diversity of people, and contribute to caring for the ecosystems we call home.”

Dr. Antonietta Quigg, Marine Biology

“I grew up with a biologist as a father, and always loved our natural environment. My father and I got scuba certified together when I was 16, and I fell in love with the underwater world. I knew in high school I wanted to study some aspect of the ocean. My favorite thing about being an Ocean and Coastal Resources major is all the different courses that make up the degree plan. I love having the knowledge of the physical, chemical, and biological aspects to the ocean. Its not so focused on one aspect, but on how they are all related and connected. In addition to gaining a good understanding of all these scientific aspects, the major also helps me understand the policy and management side of environmental work. After graduation I plan to spend some time traveling as a dive master. I hope to eventually attend law school and then work to protect our environment.”

Mae Hinson, Ocean & Coastal Resources ’17, Minor in Diving Technology & Method
Marine Biology
Marine Fisheries
Marine Sciences
Ocean and Coastal Resources
Maritime Administration
Marine Transportation
Marine Engineering Technology
Maritime Studies
University Studies

“I chose to major in Maritime Administration because I hope to one day have my own business. I now think of TAMUG as my home and I look at the other students as family. It’s a great community and it’s easy to get to know everyone on campus. I especially love the Maritime Administration department staff; they are always there for you, whenever you need them.”

Rose Gomez, Class of 2018, Maritime Administration major

Maritime Studies

Maritime Studies takes a humanistic approach to the marine environment in offering students a unique opportunity to examine the varied ways that humans use and impact the coastal and maritime environments. Through the study of history, archaeology, literature, communication, and politics of maritime peoples and cultures from ancient times to present, students gain a comprehensive understanding of maritime culture and mankind’s experience with the sea. Graduates of this program go on to a diverse field of careers including oil and gas administration, environmental management, historical and non-profit foundations, museum conservation and administration, mass communications, nautical archaeology, or go on to graduate study in various law or humanities programs. Visit tamug.edu/mast to learn more.

Maritime Administration

The Maritime Administration major provides a solid background in business, including coursework in accounting, finance, marketing, law, and economics. It ultimately provides specialized training for the maritime industry, with coursework focused on international trade, logistics, port and terminal management, transportation economics, and more. This is an ideal degree for preparing the next generation of business leaders in today's increasingly globalized economy. Coursework options include study abroad experiences in the global maritime industry hubs of London and Greece. Visit tamug.edu/mara to learn more.

““In Maritime Studies, our students learn about coastal and maritime communities of the past and present, and how their social, political, and cultural lives were influenced by the sea. The interdisciplinary nature of our program gives it a distinctively international emphasis, and provides students with diverse skills.””

Dr. Elizabeth Nyman, Maritime Studies

““Our students impact the economy of the world by helping move 90% of trade across borders.””

Dr. Joan Mileski, Maritime Administration

One of the many ways Maritime Studies majors get hands-on with history is by learning to maintain and sail 19th century vessel Tall Ship Elissa.
Roughly one third of TAMUG students are also a part of the The Texas A&M Maritime Academy (TAMMA). The TAMMA is made up of three unique groups, all of which participate in daily TAMMA activities including drills, study hours, and donning of the TAMMA uniform. Visit [www.tamug.edu/corps](http://www.tamug.edu/corps) for more information.

**License Option (LO) Programs**

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**NROTC**

Any student interested in gaining an officer commission in the Navy is welcome to join the NROTC program.

**Drill and Ceremony**

Students who desire the regimented lifestyle of the corps and to improve their leadership skills, but without the commitment of the other two programs, can join the TAMMA as a D&C Midshipmen.

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**Marine Transportation**

This program combines studies in the humanities and sciences with instruction and training in maritime disciplines to provide the U.S. Maritime Service Cadet with a broad-based education. Cadets are also provided with solid fundamentals in business topics related to the maritime industry, ashore and at sea. Hands-on experience is gained in our state-of-the-art ship simulators and aboard both training and commercial ships during three summer cruises. The student who successfully completes the license program will be qualified to sit for the U.S. Coast Guard license examination as a Third Mate of unlimited gross tonnage upon oceans, steam, or motor vessels and issuance of Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) credentials. Visit [tamug.edu/mart](http://tamug.edu/mart) to learn more.

**Marine Engineering Technology**

This major provides a blend of marine power systems and applied mechanical-engineering programs. In the marine industry, it focuses on topics such as power cycles, principles and methods used to convert available energy into useful power, and selection and operation of major components of power-related machinery. Core courses are supplemented with studies in naval architecture, marine applications of electrical engineering, and thermodynamics. The education is enhanced through the use of computer simulation of propulsion plants and direct operation of machinery on board the University’s training ship, General Rudder. Visit [tamug.edu/marr](http://tamug.edu/marr) to learn more.

“We strive to produce engineers who will use their knowledge and skill to become innovative engineering leaders in society, and to compete in a global economy.”

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**Ocean Engineering**

In 2015, Texas A&M University launched the Department of Ocean Engineering, combining two related programs: Ocean Engineering in College Station and Offshore and Coastal Systems Engineering in Galveston. These are exciting and challenging times for the field of ocean engineering. While some of the more classical ocean engineering disciplines are maturing into tested-technology, new areas of interest in deepwater offshore technology, renewable energy, air-sea interaction engineering, coastal and ocean environmental protection and preservation are rejuvenating the field. To apply for the Ocean Engineering major at TAMUG, applicants should complete the Texas A&M University - College Station application for admissions. Visit [tamug.edu/ocen](http://tamug.edu/ocen) to learn more.

**Engineering at Galveston**

The Engineering at Galveston program provides students an opportunity to begin their engineering studies on the Galveston campus as part of the Dwight Look College of Engineering. Just like students on the Texas A&M College Station campus, students will follow the first year engineering curriculum. Visit [engineering.tamu.edu/academics/engineering-at-galveston](http://engineering.tamu.edu/academics/engineering-at-galveston) to learn more.

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Marine Engineering Technology - License Option

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Maritime Environmental Law and Policy
This concentration includes coursework such as business law, admiralty law, environmental law, environmental ethics and politics of energy and the environment. Students can choose from a wide variety of combinations to position themselves for graduate studies in environmental law, employment in environmental regulatory areas and/or industry interested in natural resources management and policy especially in a near shore environment.

Oceans and One Health
This concentration is specifically designed to streamline the coursework needed for students interested in entering health-related programs after graduation, including going on to medical school, dental school, or veterinary school. Students may fulfill the coursework for medical, dental or veterinary school, as well as allied health professions such as physician assistant, physical therapy or clinical laboratory science. It also provides a stand-alone degree to address any of a number of health-related issues that result from urbanization of coastal areas or increased development of marine environments.

Maritime Public Policy and Communication
This new concentration links two important fields of professional opportunity - Public Policy and Communication. It uniquely synthesizes the study of maritime public policy/policymaking with the study of international and inter-cultural communication methods, laws and regulations, and activism. This provides students with a host of skills important to gaining careers in such areas as government, politics, urban planning, business, non-governmental organizations, policymaking, mass media, journalism, public relations, teaching, and national security.

3+2 Programs
Texas A&M Galveston’s 3+2 program options offer students the amazing opportunity to earn both a bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree in only FIVE total years! This allows students to save both time and money, and enter the workforce with the advantage of a specialized advanced degree.

Maritime Administration + Maritime Administration and Logistics
This combination of the undergraduate Maritime Administration major with the Maritime Administration and Logistics master’s program helps students become uniquely qualified for a professional career in the maritime industry.

Ocean and Coastal Resources + Marine Resources Management
Students with an interest in pursuing a career related to coastal and ocean policy and management will benefit greatly from this program. The Ocean and Coastal Resources bachelor’s degree combined with the Marine Resources Management master’s degree gives graduates a firm understanding of both the ecological and policy aspects of the field.

MINORS
TAMUG minors:
Diving Technology & Methods
Marine Biology
Maritime Administration
Maritime Studies
Ocean & Coastal Resources

TAMU minors at Galveston:
Anthropology
Economics
English
History
Chemistry
Military Studies
Oceanography

Any other TAMU minor may be completed with a combination of coursework completed at the Galveston and College Station campuses. Visit tamug.edu/academics/minors.html to learn more.

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HANDS-ON, HIGH IMPACT
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such as:
Study Abroad
Internships
Learning Communities
Undergraduate Research
First Year Seminars
Senior Capstone Projects
Common Intellectual Experiences
Writing Intensive Courses
Collaborative Projects
Service Learning

International Maritime Management Experience in Greece

“Students in the course received exposure to the culture and shipping industry of the country with the oldest and largest merchant fleet in the world, Greece. The students’ experiences ranged from standing in the Acropolis, the cradle of democracy 2,500 years ago where Plato and Socrates walked to discussing shipping economics with the original founders of Greek shipping companies.”

Dr. Steven Conway, Maritime Administration

Summer Training Cruises around the Globe

“Our midshipmen will be responsible for millions of dollars in equipment, and other people’s lives. We are teaching them to be ready for that job.”

Capt. Gussie Roth, Marine Transportation

Research and Conservation in Corinth

“The students who take this Study Abroad course in Greece come away with not only a better understanding of marine mammal biology, but also a better appreciation of the fragile marine ecosystems of our Earth, including an understanding of large scale problems of pollution, overfishing, and climate change. At the same time, I am pleased that former students also cite their greater appreciation of western society, arguably as begun by Greek civilization, and a deep appreciation and love for our democratic system of government.”

Dr. Bernd Wursig, Marine Biology

Tropical Marine Ecology in Mexico

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Victoria Sharp, class of 2017 Marine Biology major, is one of A&M Galveston’s current LSAMP scholars. The LSAMP program (or Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation) is part of a national initiative to increase the number of underrepresented minority students successfully completing high quality degree programs in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines. Participants receive a scholarship and mentorship while completing 180+ hours of research; they then present their findings at the annual TAMUG Student Research Symposium or the TAMUS Student Research Symposium.

Victoria’s research (pictured above) focuses on genetic barcoding of species in the Class Hydrozoa (Phylum Cnidaria) to explore the diversity of organisms in that Class. “I’ve always been interested in genetics because I have a fascination with DNA and how genes function. At the same time, I love marine invertebrates because they have so much undiscovered diversity. The potential to discover even more about obscure marine invertebrates is what inspired me to get into this kind of research.”

Hailing from Virginia, Victoria’s passion for marine biology brought her to Texas. “I knew I wanted to study marine biology in high school, and I was looking for good schools that have the degree. My dad actually recommended I try looking in Texas, so I did some research and found TAMUG. I liked the research opportunities it had and I visited the school and enjoyed the atmosphere of the campus, so I decided to go here.” Victoria plans to continue on in marine biology research and to someday become a professor.

Victoria completes her research under the guidance of Dr. Maria Pia Miglietta. Dr. Miglietta grew up in southern Italy; she moved to the US to complete a PhD at Duke University. Her research centered around her passion for marine biology, and after completing school she became a Marine Science Network Postdoctoral Fellow with the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute. In this position, Dr. Miglietta studied biodiversity around Panama. Now in her position at Texas A&M Galveston, Dr. Miglietta continues to partner with the Smithsonian and travels to Panama frequently to do research.

As an Assistant Professor in the Marine Biology department of Texas A&M University at Galveston, Dr. Miglietta teaches courses on genetics in addition to running the Miglietta Lab. Research in her lab focuses on the evolution, genetics, and ecology of jellyfish-like sea life (or Hydrozoa (Cnidaria)). She is highly passionate about investigating diversity in this area, and about passing on the knowledge to a new generation of scholars like Victoria. “There are very few experts that are able to identify these animals, so passing on the skills is vital.”

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Russell Cole is in the Marine Biology class of 2018. As a recipient of the Terry Scholarship, he lives in the Terry Living Learning Community. This is one of several ‘living learning communities’ on campus, in which all Terry Scholars live together in the same hallway. This creates a deeper sense of camaraderie and allows for easier collaboration. “We have nightly study sessions in the common room at the end of our hall” Russell notes as one of the benefits of living together. “We’ve also implemented a mentor program this year, to help underclassmen with both academics and social problems. It’s easy since we all live in the same place.”

Russell loves living on campus because, “It’s less to worry about, so I can devote more time to getting involved around campus, taking on leadership roles, and participating in community service.” Currently, Russell is the president of the Gay Straight Alliance, a member of the honors program, an officer for the campus chapter of the Texas Academy of Science, and a counselor at SALT Camp each summer.

Explore your Interests
► Expand your hobbies by joining a recreational club like the Aggie Gulf Coast Fisherman, Theater Club, or Drill Team
► Improve your resume by joining a professional society or major organization like Engineers Without Borders, the Pre-Vet Society, or the Propeller Club
► Impact the community by joining a service organization like Circle K or taking on a student government position
► Represent A&M nationally on the Rowing or Sailing team, or compete locally in a club or intramural sport
► Develop leadership skills as a Yell Leader, Community Leader, or SALT Camp Leader
► Immerse yourself in your passion by joining a Living Learning Community
► 77% of students get involved in student organizations

Join in the Traditions
► Cheer on the Fightin’ Aggie football team at Midnight Yell and from the student section at games
► Give back to the community during the annual Big Event
► Show your membership in the Aggie family with your Aggie Ring
► Greet fellow Aggies with a “Howdy!” and a “Gig ‘Em”
► Honor lost Aggies through Muster and Silver Taps
► Members of the Terry Community having a study session in their common room

there are hundreds of ways to get INVOLVED
Visit tamug.edu/campuslife to learn more.
Join a vast Alumni Network of global industry leaders

Ilya Espino de Marotta, Marine Engineering ‘85, is the Executive Vice President of the Panama Canal Expansion Project - and is the first woman to hold the highest post in canal’s history!

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Jonathan Whitworth, Marine Transportation ‘89, is the CEO of Seaspan, an association of Canadian companies primarily involved in coastal and deep-sea transportation. They own and operate the largest Canadian fleet of ship docking/escort vessels, tugs & barges, plus a commercial ferry fleet along with three shipyards.

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Brandon Bassett, Marine Biology ‘06, is a Marine Mammal Biologist with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. He primarily conducts manatee research and rescues, and has rescued over 200 manatees.

“TAMUG provided me with an excellent education not only in the broad field of marine biology, but also many track specific classes for the marine mammal career I was pursuing. The smaller class sizes allow a much more personal level of interaction with many of the professors. Because I was pursuing a career with marine mammals, the close proximity of the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network headquarters was a huge bonus.”
Campus Tours
Campus tours are offered every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Go to tamug.edu/admissions to sign up for a tour, request more information, or ask questions!

Campus Preview Days
Each Fall and Spring, Campus Preview Day offers high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to explore our amazing academic programs. Students learn about life on campus and participate in several Aggie traditions. Visit tamug.edu/admissions/preview to learn more.

Freshman Application
☐ Complete the ApplyTexas Admissions Application (applytexas.org) by the April 1st deadline.*
☐ Complete the Scholarship Application section within the ApplyTexas App. The priority deadline for all scholarships is December 1; the final deadline for freshman Terry Scholarship consideration is January 6; the final deadline for the Levy Fellowship is March 1.
☐ Submit Essays A and B (required for all freshman applicants).
☐ Send a nonrefundable $75 processing fee ($90 international fee) or fee waiver.
☐ Send an official high school transcript (with numerical class rank and diploma type if available). If the school does not rank, a school profile must be provided.
☐ Submit SAT or ACT scores directly from the testing agency.
☐ Send Permanent Resident Card, I-551 or Senate Bill 1528 Affidavit, if applicable.
☐ Check your application status via applicant.tamu.edu.
☐ Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fafsa.ed.gov, available January 1. The priority deadline is March 15. (School code: 003632)
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Transfer Application
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☐ Submit Essay A.
☐ Send a nonrefundable $75 processing fee ($90 international fee) or fee waiver.
☐ Send official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
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Dates To Know
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December 1st: Priority application deadline for Scholarship consideration
January 6th: Final application deadline for the Freshman Terry Scholarship
March 1st: Priority FAFSA deadline (fafsa.ed.gov) for need-contingent aid
March 1st: Final application deadline for the Levy Fellowship
March 31st: Final application deadline for the Transfer Terry Scholarship
April 1st: Application final deadline for Fall 2017 admission

With amazing restaurants, attractions including amusement parks and water parks, fascinating historical sites, a thriving nightlife, and 32 miles of shoreline for swimming, surfing, or just laying on the sand, there is no shortage of things to do in Galveston.

It is also conveniently located just outside the fourth-largest city in America. If students are seeking shopping or cultural activities they can’t find in Galveston, it is no doubt located just up the road. From the Museum District, to the zoo, to the Space Center, to a constant rotation of concerts and festivals, Houston offers a great weekend destination for our students.

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