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## **TWU ANNOUNCES FALL 2014 ENROLLMENT**

Fall 2014 enrollment at Texas Woman's University includes the university's best-qualified and largest first-year student class, more returning first-year students and an increase in transfer students.

TWU's overall fall 2014 student enrollment is 15,075 students, which is flat compared to fall 2013.

TWU's new first-year class of 1,183 students is the largest in university history, up 1.6 percent from fall 2013. In addition, this year's first-year class has the strongest academic credentials in TWU's history, including:

- An average G.P.A. of 3.33
- 14 percent in the top 10 percent of their high school graduating class;
- 39 percent in the top 25 percent of their high school graduating class; and
- 101 Honors Scholars.

In addition, TWU's first-year student retention rate of 72.4 percent is up for the fourth consecutive year.

Also, enrollment of new transfer students is up 3 percent to 1,381 students.

"The quality and size of our first-year class shows that more high-achieving students are choosing TWU, and our increased first-year student retention rate shows these students remain successful while here," said Gary Ray, vice president of enrollment services at TWU. "Also, the increase in transfer students, despite improvements in the economy which impacts community college enrollment, indicates that transfer students are picking TWU because of our academic programs' reputation, cost and overall value."

Graduate student enrollment is down 3.6 percent to 5,396 students. Mr. Ray attributes this decline to some TWU graduate programs only admitting new students every other year.

Semester credit hours are up slightly to 151,067 hours for fall 2014, compared to 151,033 for fall 2013. **Student credit hours, not headcount, are the basis of the university's state funding.**

**Enrollment breakdown by campus:**

Denton – 12,372 students

Dallas – 1,376 students

Houston – 1,327 students

**Enrollment breakdown by level:**

Undergraduate – 9,679 students

Graduate – 5,396 students

All numbers are based on preliminary 12th class day data.

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**NUNN ATTENDS NATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

Patricia Nunn, director of the Texas Woman's University Dental Hygiene Program, recently was selected to attend the Academy for Academic Leadership 2014 Chairs and Academic Administrators Management Program (CAAMP).

Ms. Nunn was one of 55 academic administrators in the nation to participate in this prestigious national program, which took place in July at the Georgia Tech Conference Center in Atlanta.

“Interacting with national and international leaders and with peers from multiple disciplines helped me realize how to enhance the application of key leadership concepts to my life,” said Ms. Nunn. “I came away from CAAMP with more confidence in my capabilities and with the resources that I need to be a more effective leader.”

Ms. Nunn has been the director of the TWU Dental Hygiene Program since 2009. Prior to joining TWU, she served as the dean of dental hygiene for Utah College and as the chair of the University of Oklahoma's Department of Dental Hygiene. Ms. Nunn received her associate's degree in dental hygiene from Coastal Bend College, her bachelor's degree from Texas State University and her master's degree from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

The Chairs and Academic Administrators Management Program or was created in 2009 by the Academy for Academic Leadership (AAL) an international consulting and professional development organization based in Atlanta, to address the unique challenges and opportunities encountered by department chairs and academic administrators within colleges and schools of the health professions. Since its inception, nearly 300 department chairs and academic administrators from programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, allied health and other health professions have participated in CAAMP.

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## NEWSBRIEFS

*Information and news about activities, programs or TWU people may be sent to the Office of Marketing and Communication through campus mail or by e-mail to [info@twu.edu](mailto:info@twu.edu). The deadline to receive information is the first and third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. for the following week. Student information for the "People" section is not published unless it is submitted by or in conjunction with a faculty member and that faculty member's related activities.*

TWU Women in Higher Education invites women leaders and those who aspire to lead to register for **Women in Fast Forward: Advancing Your Leadership**, scheduled **Oct. 10** from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. TWU Chancellor Dr. Carine Feyten will be the keynote speaker for the event, which will be held on the Denton campus. Registration is open at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/WomenHE>. There is no cost for TWU employees to attend. **Registration should be completed by Oct. 2.**

TWU faculty and staff are invited to become involved in **Mentor Denton**, a move launched in 2013 with a goal of finding a mentor for each of the Denton community's 10,000 at-risk students. For more information, visit [www.mentordenton.org](http://www.mentordenton.org)

**Tickets for The State Fair of Texas** are available for purchase in the Student Union Office, SU 209. Tickets must be purchased in person; no reservations or holds are available. Ticket prices are: General admission, \$13.50; senior adults (60 and older) \$11; and children (under 48 inches) \$11.

Children ages 12 and younger **now are admitted free** to all TWU Athletics regular season home events. TWU faculty, staff and students also are admitted free to all TWU Athletics home events with a valid TWU ID. TWU faculty and staff members also are granted free admission for three guests of their choice at all regular season home events.

## UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

*Please submit "People" items (faculty and staff only) to the Office of Marketing and Communication by campus mail or by e-mail to [info@twu.edu](mailto:info@twu.edu). Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.)*

The TWU Community offers its condolences to the family and friends of **Margaret Estes Davis**, a former chair of the TWU Board of Regents, who passed away Sept. 17, 2014. Mrs. **Davis** served as a member of the TWU Board of Regents for 12 years, and as the board's chair from 1983-86. Services were held Sept. 23 in Longview.

Dr. **Kimberly Parker** (health studies) conducted the presentations "Developing and Implementing an Effective Evaluation Plan and Best Practices for Conducting

Evaluations” for the National Association of Minority Medical Educators’ (NAMME) education training series and Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh, Penn. She presented the results of a pilot study that measured predictor variables for using pre-exposure prophylactics (PrEP) to reduce HIV transmission among a diverse population at the 2014 CDC’s National STD Prevention Conference. The presentation was titled “Evaluation of an Individual-Level Intervention to Increase Knowledge and Likelihood of Using PrEP: Results from a Pilot Study”. Dr. **Parker** also conducted an invited presentation titled “A Diversified Approach: Understanding Social Determinants of Health and Social-Ecological Systems to Address HIV/AIDS among Black Women” at the 2014 Texas HIV/STD Conference.

Dr. **Mandy Golman** (health studies) recently was a featured guest on the radio talk show *Think*, with host Krys Boyd on KERA 90.1. The discussion, with Dr. Joanna Gentsch, who teaches human sexuality at the University of Texas at Dallas, was teen pregnancy in Texas and the factors that are keeping the state near the top of the list.

Dr. **Phyllis Bridges** (English) spoke on folklore in Denton County at the International Lions Club of Sanger luncheon on Sept. 3.

Dr. **Claudette Fette** (occupational therapy, Denton) attended a discussion of the regional mental health landscape, held Sept. 8 and hosted by the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute and Mental Health Connection of Tarrant County at the Fort Worth Botanical Gardens.

**Carrie Gartman** has been promoted to the position of manager of Printing and Mail Services. She has served TWU in various capacities in the printing and mail services department for the past 10 years.

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## **THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: SEPTEMBER 22-OCTOBER 5, 2014**

### **Mon., Sept. 22**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Library Forum: Know Your Rights, 6:15 p.m., ACT 301, IHSD 1010, IHSH 2120. Free. Questions? Call 81-3748 or visit <http://libguides.twu.edu/forum>

### **Tues., Sept. 23**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Library Forum: Know Your Rights, 9 a.m., ACT 301, IHSD 1010, IHSH 2120. Free. Questions? Call 81-3748 or visit <http://libguides.twu.edu/forum>
- Pioneers Soccer vs. Rogers State, noon, away.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m., away.

**Wed., Sept. 24**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Pioneers Softball vs. Vernon JC, 5 p.m., home.

**Thurs., Sept. 25**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

**Fri., Sept. 26**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Tech Talk: Inbox Zero, 10 a.m., ACT 301, IHSD 8201, IHSB 5305. Free.  
<http://twu.edu/tis/tech-talks.asp>
- Pioneers Soccer vs. West Texas A&M, 7 p.m., home.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. St. Mary's, 6 p.m., away.

**Sat., Sept. 27**

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Bookstore closed, Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Houston Campus Open House, 8 a.m., free.
- TWU Former Students Association Scholarship Reception and Chancellor Welcome, 10 a.m., Hubbard Hall. Scholarship recipients and their families will be recognized. Chancellor Carine Feyten will speak.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville, 2 p.m., away.

**Sun., Sept. 28**

- Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; Bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open noon-10 p.m.
- Pioneers Soccer vs. Eastern New Mexico, 2 p.m., home.

**Mon., Sept. 29**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

**Tues., Sept. 30**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Dr. Pamela Youngblood Faculty Flute Recital, 7:30 p.m., MJPH. Free.
- Visual Arts presents exhibition of works by Michelle Mackey, Marcelyn McNeil and Lorraine Tady, East and West Galleries, Fine Arts Building. Reception for artists from 5-8 p.m. Exhibition continues through Oct. 22.
- Pioneers Soccer vs. Oklahoma Christian, 7 p.m., home.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Henderson State, 5 p.m., home.

**Wed., Oct. 1**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- TWU Drama presents Speech & Debate, 8 p.m., Redbud Theater, \$5, \$10. 81-2020, [www.twu.edu/drama](http://www.twu.edu/drama)

**Thurs., Oct. 2**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- TWU Drama presents Speech & Debate, 4 p.m., Redbud Theater, \$5, \$10. 81-2020, [www.twu.edu/drama](http://www.twu.edu/drama)

**Fri., Oct. 3**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; Bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- TWU Drama presents Speech & Debate, 8 p.m., Redbud Theater, \$5, \$10. 81-2020, [www.twu.edu/drama](http://www.twu.edu/drama)
- Pioneers Soccer vs. Midwestern State, 7 p.m., away.
- Pioneers Softball vs. Tyler JC, 5 p.m., home.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Eastern New Mexico University, 7 p.m., home.

**Sat., Oct. 4**

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Bookstore closed, Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.
- TWU Drama presents Speech & Debate, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., Redbud Theater, \$5, \$10. 81-2020, [www.twu.edu/drama](http://www.twu.edu/drama)
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. West Texas A&M, 2 p.m., home.

**Sun., Oct. 5**

- Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; Bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open noon-10 p.m.
- TWU Drama presents Speech & Debate, 2 p.m., Redbud Theater, \$5, \$10. 81-2020, [www.twu.edu/drama](http://www.twu.edu/drama)
- Pioneers Soccer vs. Angelo State, 2 p.m., away.

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