

MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION DESIGNATIONS

Texas Public Universities

All 35 Texas public universities have one or more designations with the U.S. Department of Education, including Minority-Serving Institution (MSI), Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCU), Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI), and institutions with 50% or more students receiving need-based assistance. There are 461 public peer institutions nationally.

HISTORICALLY BLACK-SERVING

Texas has two Historically Black public universities: Prairie View A&M University and Texas Southern University, established before 1964 with a principal mission to educate Black Americans for undergraduate and/or graduate studies.

HISPANIC-SERVING

21 Texas public universities have the HSI Title III and/or Title IV designation, serving a full-time undergraduate population that is at least 25% Hispanic. This represents 25% of peer HSI's in the U.S. and 26% of the HSI-STEM designated institutions.

SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

15 Texas public universities have an undergraduate minority enrollment exceeding 50% of total enrollment. They participate in the DOE's Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program (MSEIP) supporting minorities and women.

STRENGTHEN STUDENTS

31 Texas universities have at least 50% of their students receiving need-based assistance or have a substantial number of students receiving Pell Grants (the Strengthening Institutions Program). These campuses operate with low educational and general expenditures.

ASIAN-AMERICAN SERVING

Four Texas public universities are eligible to apply for federal grants supporting Asian-American students, meeting the requirement of at least 10% Asian-American undergraduates enrolled full-time.

GRADUATE OPPORTUNITY

19 Texas public universities represent 24.7% of peer HSI institutions eligible for programs designed to advance postbaccalaureate opportunities for Hispanic Americans.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Nine Texas public universities have earned the Community Engagement Classification associated with the Carnegie Classifications. These institutions meet rigorous standards supporting collaboration with local, regional, national and/or global communities to exchange knowledge and resources.