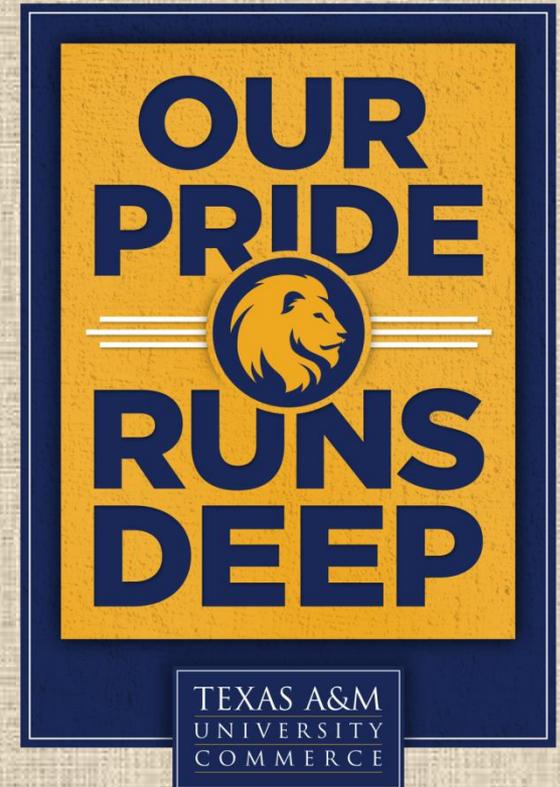


**Fall Assembly
August 25, 2016**

Interim President

Ray M. Keck, III, Ph.D.

Texas A&M University-Commerce



In Memoriam



- Randy Odom

- Passed away August 5
- Retired Professor of Management in August 2015



- Jerry Matthews

- Passed away July 31
- Retired as Head Coach for Men's Basketball in 1992
- Inducted into Athletic Hall of Fame in 2015



In Memoriam



- Kay Harvey

- Passed away May 28
- Former Librarian at Gee Library



- Ralph Smith

- Passed away May 18
- Retired from Facilities department in 2000



In Memoriam



- Dan Jones

- Passed away April 29
- President of A&M-Commerce since 2008
- Professor of English
- Impact on A&M-Commerce
 - Dramatic enrollment increase
 - State's first competency-based degree program
 - Nursing program
 - Rockwall campus, residence halls, Music building, Nursing building
 - **Countless lives in Commerce, TX and beyond**

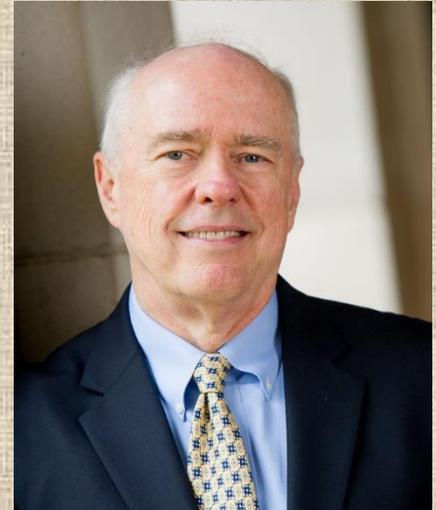


Ray M. Keck, III

Interim President



- Dr. Ray Keck named Interim President (effective June 1, 2016)
- Served as President of Texas A&M International University (2001-2016)
- Education
 - A.B. in Romance Languages and Literatures – Princeton University (1969)
 - Ph.D. in Romance Languages and Literatures – Princeton University (1978)



100th Year as a State Institution



- March 14, 1917: became a state institution
- *March 24, 2017: 100th year celebration on campus



President Mayo



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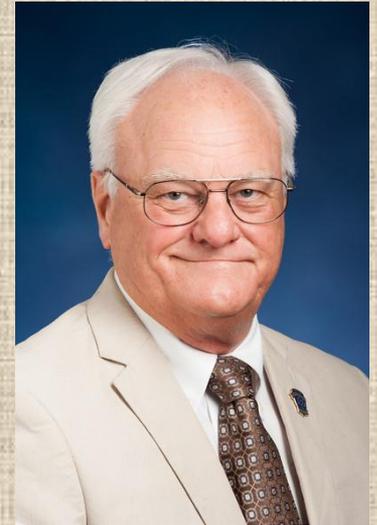
*tentative date

Wyman Williams

Interim Vice President



- **Mr. Wyman Williams** named Interim Vice President for Institutional Advancement
- Served as Development Officer for the College of Business
- Education
 - B.S. in General Industries – Texas A&M University-Commerce (1969)



Significant Changes in Academic Affairs



- **Dr. Randy Harp** named Director of the School of Agriculture
- Institutional Effectiveness & Research moved from Student Access & Success to Academic Affairs
- SACSCOC Accreditation Liaison
 - **Dr. Marila Palmer** will retire on August 31, 2016
 - **Dr. Shonda Gibson** is the newly appointed Liaison



New Tenured Faculty



- Dr. Abdullah Arslan, Associate Professor, Computer Science & Information Systems
- Dr. Chris Beaty, Associate Professor, Music
- Dr. Jessica Brannon-Wranosky, Associate Professor, History
- Dr. Judith Ball, Associate Director and Department Head, Biological & Environmental Sciences*
- Dr. Dong Won Choi, Associate Professor, Biological & Environmental Sciences
- Dr. Mary Jo Dondlinger, Associate Professor, Higher Education & Learning Technologies
- Dr. Mario Hayek, Associate Professor, Management
- Dr. DeMarquis Hayes, Associate Professor, Psychology, Counseling, & Special Education
- Dr. Chuck Holt, Associate Professor, Educational Leadership
- Dr. Daniel Kelly, Associate Professor, Music
- Dr. Charlotte Larkin, Associate Professor, Higher Education & Learning Technologies
- Dr. Jose Lopez, Associate Professor, Agriculture
- Dr. Mitchell McGarr, Associate Professor, Art
- Dr. Randy Harp, Professor and Director, School of Agriculture*
- Dr. Robert Rodriguez, Associate Professor, Political Science
- Dr. Kurtis Williams, Associate Professor, Physics & Astronomy

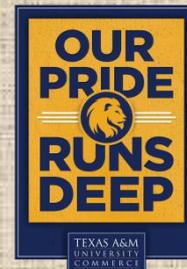
* Pending Board of Regents Approval

New Promoted Faculty



- Promoted to Associate Professor
 - Dr. Abdullah Arslan, Computer Science
 - Dr. Chris Beaty, Music
 - Dr. Jessica Brannon-Wranosky, History
 - Dr. Dong Won Choi, Biological & Environmental Sciences
 - Dr. Mary Dondlinger, Educational Leadership
 - Dr. Mario Hayek, Management
 - Dr. DeMarquis Hayes, Psychology/Counseling/Special Education
 - Dr. Chuck Holt, Educational Leadership
 - Dr. Daniel Kelly, Music
 - Dr. Charlotte Larkin, Educational Leadership
 - Dr. Jose Lopez, Agriculture
 - Dr. Mitchell McGarr, Art
 - Dr. Robert Rodriguez, Political Science
 - Dr. Kurtis Williams, Physics and Astronomy
- Promoted to Professor
 - Dr. Brent Donham, Engineering and Technology
 - Dr. Mary Druhan, Music
 - Dr. Shulan Lu, Psychology/Counseling/Special Education
 - Dr. Jennifer Schroeder, Psychology/Counseling/Special Education
 - D. John Smith, History
 - Dr. Jiaming Sun, Sociology and Criminal Justice
 - Dr. Susan Szabo, Curriculum and Instruction
 - Dr. Seung Won Yoon, Educational Leadership
- Promoted to Senior Professional Track
 - Dr. Kent Montgomery, Physics and Astronomy
- Promoted to Associate Professional Track
 - Dr. Quynh Dang, Health and Human Performance

Global Fellows



- Juan Jose Arajuo
- Jangsup Choi
- Tony DeMars
- Lin Guo
- Lavelle Hendricks
- Sandra K. Kimbrough
- Inmaculada Lyons
- Alma Mintu-Wimsatt
- Ava J. Muñoz
- Jiashi Zhao



Significant Changes in Student Access & Success



- **Dr. Ricky Dobbs** named Associate Vice President for Student Access & Success
 - Served as Dean of the University College
- **Dr. Tabetha Adkins** named Dean of the University College
 - Served as Associate Professor in the Department of Literature & Languages



Fall 2016 Credit Hours by College/School*



	2016	2015	Difference	Percent
College of Business				
Total Undergraduate	11,540	10,630	910	8.56%
Total Graduate	13,002	12,450	552	4.43%
Total	24,542	23,080	1,462	6.33%
College of Humanities, Social Sciences & Arts				
Total Undergraduate	30,049	30,115	-66	-0.22%
Total Graduate	2,741	1,770	971	54.86%
Total	32,790	31,885	905	2.84%
College of Education & Human Services				
Total Undergraduate	24,681	24,268	413	1.70%
Total Graduate	12,098	12,681	-583	-4.60%
Total	36,779	36,949	-170	-0.46%

*as of August 24 (4:00 p.m.)

Fall 2016 Credit Hours by College/School*



	2016	2015	Difference	Percent
College of Science & Engineering				
Total Undergraduate	23,664	23,234	430	1.85%
Total Graduate	5,738	5,530	208	3.76%
Total	29,402	28,764	638	2.22%
School of Agriculture				
Total Undergraduate	3,166	2,667	499	18.71%
Total Graduate	282	168	114	67.86%
Total	3,448	2,835	613	21.62%

*as of August 24 (4:00 p.m.)

Fall 2016 Enrollment*



Undergraduate

SCH 93,100

Graduate

SCH 33,861

Total

SCH 126,961 2.79%

Headcount 13,042 3.84%



*as of August 24 (4:00 p.m.)

Speaker Series



- Thursday, September 8 – **Robert Green**
- Thursday, September 22 – **Aaron Peña** (Recovery Month Speaker)
- Wednesday, September 28 – **Cornel West** (Race Matters)
- Monday, October 3 – **Jeremy Adelman**
- Tuesday, October 11 – **Rachel Cruze**
- Thursday, November 17 – **Ed Rubin**

Capital Projects



- Nursing & Health Sciences Building
 - Construction to begin in January of 2017
 - Occupancy in January of 2019
- Multi-Activity Court (Morris Rec Center)
 - Under construction
- P-3 Freshmen residence hall
 - Under construction
 - Relocation of existing tennis courts
 - Occupancy in August of 2017
- Demolition of Leberman and Berry residence halls
- Morris Rec Center addition
- Multi-purpose arena
 - Need approval of student referendum to increase athletic fee
 - Need to appoint committee to explore feasibility

Upcoming Dates



- **TODAY** - \$1 lunch at the cafeteria; get 5 extra meals when you sign up for a faculty/staff meal plan 11am-2pm
- **Thursday, September 1** – “Kick Off with the Kecks”; Heritage House & Gardens at 4:30pm
- **Thursday, September 1** – Football season opener game; Memorial Stadium at 7pm
- **Friday, October 7** – Royal Roar; Fairmont Dallas at 6pm
- **Tuesday, October 18** – Staff Appreciation and Years of Service Recognition Luncheon; Amphitheatre at 11am
- **Monday, October 24** – Climate Survey Town Hall; Ferguson Auditorium at 1:30pm
- **Tuesday, October 25** – Climate Survey Town Hall; Ferguson Auditorium at 8:30am

*CHSSA events can be found on the *Season* poster—available on your way out



Please join us outside for the annual **Pride Walk**

