EXACTLY WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?

1. If you haven’t seen the campus yet, schedule a CAMPUS VISIT.

2. To see an advisor and activate your ISLANDER EMAIL.

3. Sign up for Orientation. There are several different floor plans to choose from, including one that is available on a first-come, first-served basis, so time is of the essence!

4. Complete your application for UNIVERSITY HOUSING. Though it’s not required, we recommend that all of our students live on campus to get the full college experience. University Housing is perfect for you! To learn how to apply and get the process started, visit admissions.tamucc.edu.

5. Take care of your FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION requirement. application. To apply for Financial Assistance, students will complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (known as the FAFSA). It is recommended that you follow these activation steps as soon as possible, because your Islander Email account is your primary avenue of communication for University services, including correspondence from the Business Office, Financial Aid, Housing, etc.

6. Get your tax forms ready and complete your TAXES AND WRITING.

7. Roll up your sleeve and get your BACTERIAL MENINGITIS VACCINE.

8. Attend Orientation. At Orientation you will register for classes, learn about all of the services the University offers, receive your student ID card, speak with an advisor, and much more! For more information visit orientation.tamucc.edu.

9. After you walk the stage, submit your FINAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT. Mail it early enough so we receive it by May 1. Without an official transcript on file, our admissions office will not be able to award credit for courses after your enrollment in the fall.

THINGS WE BET YOU DIDN’T KNOW ABOUT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

We’re one of only 54 USA Today Academics choice and in the nation’s No. 17 among four-year colleges and universities by BestColleges.com.

Our campus has earned the No. 1 spot in Best College Review’s “50 Best Colleges by the Sea” list.

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Dear Future Islander,

Congratulations on making the life-changing decision to embark on a new journey that will uncover a world of opportunities at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. You will find that the Island University is a place where you will make relationships that will last throughout your lifetime. We are proud to be a part of your Islander family and we are dedicated to every student’s success.

Our award-winning faculty will create opportunities for you both inside and outside of the classroom. They are here to help you every step of the way. There are numerous student organizations that you can get involved in and support for every challenge you may face.

As you develop your relationships over the next several years, remember that the faculty, staff, and I are here for you because each student who graduates today helps to create a better future. Your success is our success, and we are here to help you every step of the way. There are numerous student organizations that you can get involved in and support for every challenge you may face.

The easiest place to find your student ID number is in this 9-character identification number. Known as your Student ID or A Number, so it is important that you keep your number in a secure place and use it at all times.

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To log in to S.A.I.L., type sail.tamucc.edu to the University. To log in to S.A.I.L, type sail.tamucc.edu. S.A.I.L. is a secure student portal where you can gain access to your Islander Email, grades, financial aid, campus news, and more.

For answers to the questions above, please visit the Office of Academic Testing website at testing.tamucc.edu or visit with them in the Student Services Center Room 210.

The requirements applies to a first-time student at a Texas public institution and to be advised based on that student’s testing results.

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi requires students to take the TSI Assessment unless you qualify for an exemption or waiver. Students transferring from an out-of-state or private university, regardless of their requirements, are required to take the TSI Assessment. TSI Assessment is a test that has three parts: Writing, Reading, and Mathematics.

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WHAT IS CONSIDERED A “SCHOOL OFFICIAL”

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) has approved the TSI Assessment offered by the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS). A school official is an employee who has access to education records in order to perform his or her official duties. An employee would include a faculty member, staff member, or administrative employee.

WHO HAS TO TAKE A TSI ASSESSMENT?

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COMMON QUESTIONS

When do I have to take the test?

What happens if I don’t pass the test?

Can I retake the test?

Are there exemptions or waivers for the test?

What are the passing grades on the TSI Assessment?

Where can I go to find more information on this test?

WHAT ARE YOUR STUDENT RIGHTS UNDER FERPA?

As a student, you have the right to access and review your education records, to request the amendment of your education records, to consent to the disclosure of your education records, to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education, and to appeal any decision made by the University.

WHAT ARE EDUCATION RECORDS?

Education records include any record (1) from which a student can be personally identified, including grade books and test scores, and (2) maintained by the university. Education records do not include educational records include academic transcripts, class lists, and magnetic tape, film, disk, etc. (in the possession of any school official.

5. WHO IS CONSIDERED A “SCHOOL OFFICIAL” AT TEXAS A&M- UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI?

4. A person employed by the university in an administrative, supervisory, research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel, health staff and support personnel).

3. A person or company with whom the university contracts or pays to provide services including (but not limited to) law enforcement services, counseling, food services (including attorney, auditors, contractors).

2. A student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or serving another school official in performing his or her tasks.

1. A person who is employed by the university and who performs an administrative, supervisory, research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel, health staff and support personnel).

ACTIVATE YOUR ISLANDER EMAIL

You will receive your Islander ID number by visiting your acceptance letter. In case you misplace it, you can access your Student ID password. If you have forgotten your Island ID password, you will need to set up a new password. To set up your Islander S.A.I.L. accounts, please visit the "Student Account Recovery Info." Account recovery information is used to reset your Island ID password if you forget it.

WHAT CAN I FIND ONCE I LOG IN?

You can find information such as login information, grades, financial aid, internship announcements, and more.

Using S.A.I.L.

S.A.I.L. is a secure student portal where you can gain access to your student record, financial aid, housing, and more. You can find your TSI results and access information about your academic progress.

If you have any difficulty logging in, please call Help Desk at 361.825.2892.