

TAMIU Partners with Harris Connect for Special Alumni Directory

TAMIU's Office of Alumni Relations has partnered with Virginia-based Harris Connect to produce a special Alumni Directory of all graduates of Texas A&M International University and its previous namesakes: Texas A&I University at Laredo and Laredo State University.

Yelitza Howard, TAMIU director of Alumni Relations, said the publication offers a great way for graduates to keep in touch.

"Our constituents change emails, jobs and locations often, making it hard to keep up with them. We have therefore contracted with Harris Connect to update contact information for our constituents so that they can keep up-to-date on news, activities, and events. Harris will help produce a beautiful hardcover publication that will allow our graduates to reconnect with old friends as well as network professionally," Howard explained.

"Harris specializes in alumni and membership publications and the data specifications involved with this type of project. Our alumni will be contacted by email, regular mail or by phone over the next few months to verify and update their contact and career information," Howard said.

For additional information, contact Howard at 956.326.2171 or email yelitza.howard@tamiu.edu

ENACTUSTAMIU (Formerly SIFE) Named Regional Champions



2012-2013 ENACTUS TAMIU Members

On April 10, ENACTUS TAMIU presented their six projects at the annual Regional Competition in Dallas, TX, and were named Regional Champions. They will now head to Kansas City for National Competition.

The projects consisted of assisting a thrift store to help local veterans, developing efficiency in a local business, creating vegetable beds in El Cenizo to provide a sustainable source of food and profits, and having a monthly art event, *The Bazaar*, to help local artists showcase and sell their arts.

ENACTUS is a worldwide non-profit organization which creates sustainable projects to improve the quality of life by implementing business concepts.

Commencement Ceremony



May Ceremonies will be held in the **Kinesiology Convocation Building (KCB) on Saturday, May 18.**

- College of Arts & Sciences — **9 a.m.**
- A.R. Sanchez, Jr. School of Business / College of Nursing & Health Sciences — **1 p.m.**
- College of Education — **4:30 p.m.**

Congratulations to all graduates on becoming TAMIU Alumni! We look forward to your continued success!



This summer, keep your child active in body and mind by registering them in any of the multiple sport or educational summer camps at TAMIU! Camps vary in length from 4 - 8 weeks and ages 4 - 17 are welcome. View a listing of available camps [here](#).



The TAMIU Alumni Association is seeking nominations for President Elect and Secretary. If you are interested, please contact us at alumni@tamiu.edu.

Alumni on the Look!

Hafizul Islam '01 meets TAMIU students in Melbourne, Australia



Hafizul Islam, Philip Balli, Jonathan Gutierrez and Alex Barrera

Dr. Hafizul Islam recently entertained the TAMIU WorldMUN International Conference participants in his homeland, Melbourne, Australia. They spoke about many things that are happening at the University, and he was impressed with the opportunities students have to network as well as their international exposure.

After obtaining his Master of Science in Information Systems at TAMIU, Hafizul pursued a PhD in Marketing at Melbourne Business School at the University of Melbourne. His decision was based on UM being the top business school in the Asian Pacific region, and the city's multicultural strengths.

Christopher Hundertmark '25

Congratulations to Christian and Blanca Hundertmark '09 on their new baby! They welcomed Christopher Hundertmark '25 to their family in March.

Blanca earned a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies in Early Childhood Education.

Alejandra Marquez '10, '12 accepted to UNC Chapel Hill Ph.D. Program



After obtaining her Bachelor of Arts in Spanish with a Minor in Psychology and a Master of Arts in Spanish, Alejandra Márquez applied to six schools to pursue her Ph.D.

She was accepted to multiple prestigious schools, including Pennsylvania State University, the University of Houston, and the University of California, Los Angeles. She decided to attend the University of North Carolina (UNC), Chapel Hill Ph.D. program in Latin American Literature and Culture.

UNC will provide her a financial package which will provide a yearly stipend and enable her to teach a course. She currently teaches two courses in Spanish language for non-native speakers at TAMIU, and hopes to teach a similar basic Spanish language class at UNC.

Upon completion of her Ph.D. program, she hopes to teach, conduct her own research, and publish articles.

Arturo Varak '99

Arturo Varak works at UISD's Finley Elementary School teaching Music from Kinder to 5th grade students. He will be performing a serenade for Mother's Day accompanied by Mariachi Origen y Tradición on May 7 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium at United Middle School.

Tickets are now available at Finley Elementary School, 2001 Lowry Rd. or call 956-473-4500. This event is a fundraiser to benefit students.

Arturo earned a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish with a Minor in Geography. He holds Texas Educator Certificates for Secondary Spanish, All grade levels Music, and Bilingual Generalist EC-4.



Events

2nd Annual TAMIU Theatre Production of Neil Simon's "The Dinner Party"- May 3 & 4, 8-9:25 p.m., **May 5**, 3-4:25 p.m., TAMIU Fine and Performing Arts Center, may not be suitable for younger audiences

Dr. Larysa Davis, Dr. Susan Berdahl, & Dana Crabtree Recital - **May 4**, 7:30 p.m., CFPA Recital Hall

Marianne García Senior Recital- **May 7**, 6:30 p.m., CFPA Recital Hall

Young Pianists Recital- **May 12**, 3 p.m., CFPA Recital Hall

2013 Young Dancer Recital - **May 26**, 3 p.m., CFPA Theatre

Logistics Cities World Forum
Tuesday, May 28- Friday May 31
Throughout TAMIU campus

This Conference will bring 500 international trade professionals from 60 countries together to discuss best-practices, infrastructure development, and worldwide logistics trends. It features panel discussions and general assembly presentations and closes with a roundtable forum.

During the event, there will be a trade show with exhibiting booths and hosts for sponsors, participating entities and hosts to network.

RSVP: info@logisticcities.com

Economic Opportunity Forum
Thursday, May 30, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
Senator Judith Zaffirini Student Success Center Room 101

Successful businesses tap into new markets daily, securing new business to better their bottom line and extend their business' reach. The State of Texas is a potential new market for vendors of all types of services and products... and it's well within YOUR reach. Join us for our free special Economic Opportunity Forum "Texas Wants YOUR Business"

For more information click [here](#)

TAMIU and SBDC EOF
Thursday, May 30, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
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Local and surrounding area businesses can come in and talk to representatives from The Texas A&M University System schools, as well as with other city, county and State agencies on how to do business with the agencies. A HUB Certification course will also be offered.

For more information, contact Annie Gutierrez, ann.gutierrez@tamiu.edu

For more information in events, click [here](#)

You got benefits!

TAMIU graduates are entitled to numerous benefits and privileges. Some are:

- Lifetime E-mail Account
- Library Services
- Check Out Books
- Access to Computer Labs
- TAMIU Bookstore Discounts
- TAMIU Alumni One Card
- Free Parking
- Free Entrance to Regular Season Athletic Events
- Entry to REC Center (Small Fee Associated)

Additionally, the Office of Career Services offers

FREE services to our alumni, including:

- Resumé Writing
- Career Counseling and workshops
- Information on Job Openings
- Access to Dusty Works
- Mock Interviews
- Participation in the Annual Job Fair/Opportunities to meet recruiters.

Download the **TAMIU app** for TAMIU news, events, images, directory access, social media, maps, faculty, shop, audio, and tools are available for smartphones and iPad.

Visit the Alumni Relations Office KL 261 or e-mail alumni@tamiu.edu for more information.



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

AS ALUMNI, YOU ARE PART OF OUR LEGACY.
CONTINUE EMPOWERING YOUR COMMUNITY AND FUTURE GENERATIONS!

E-mail your accomplishments or any other news you would like to share with the rest of the growing TAMIU community.

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