SCHOLARS@TAMU

A FACULTY PROFILE SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTING
THE SCHOLARSHIP OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY’S FACULTY

Scholars@TAMU (scholars.tamu.edu) is a profile system that hosts searchable expertise for faculty and TAMU organizations. Scholars@TAMU gathers data from institution-level/enterprise systems, publicly available research data (e.g., grants and publications), and other authoritative sources. The data is compiled into a profile that you can edit to best represent your scholarship and expertise.

BENEFITS FOR FACULTY

1. Enhance the discoverability of your expertise. Your Scholars@TAMU profile aggregates data about your expertise and research interests. Currently included in your profile are your research overview, contact information, link to your ORCID profile, academic background, publication and scholarly works, teaching, and chaired theses and dissertations. We are in the process of adding more information for faculty, such as grants.

2. Find potential collaborators. Scholars@TAMU provides a database of expertise at Texas A&M that can be searched using multiple methods. Discover potential collaborators by browsing departments or people, and searching by keywords or subject areas.

3. Characterize your scholarly impact. Scholars@TAMU integrates a tool that tracks impact metrics for your research and creative works. These include both traditional citations as well as alternative impact metrics such as usage, captures, downloads, video plays, and mentions in social media, blog posts, comments, etc. These metrics can be used to enhance your scholarly narrative. You have control over your profiles – log in to modify published information, add or delete works, or obtain and export analytics.

4. Reduce your workload by “enter once, use many times”. Data in Scholars@TAMU is stored such that individual faculty, departments, and colleges can generate a multitude of reports for proposal biosketches, program reviews, and accreditation. The data in Scholars has many other uses, including keeping web sites up-to-date.

5. Profile the range of your scholarly work. Faculty can publish a range of documents, such as presentations, data sets, syllabi, instructional activities, and reports, in Texas A&M’s institutional repositories as a way to represent the full range of your work. Documents published through the repositories are discoverable by Google, listed on a Scholars@TAMU profile page, and generate impact metrics.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

The Scholars@TAMU team in the University Libraries is working to create the first version of faculty profiles using faculty CVs as an authoritative source of publication history and other faculty data. In phase two of the project (Nov. 2017), we will continue to add other data to profiles or complete missing profiles, add new features to Scholars@TAMU, and provide outreach and training to the university community.

Faculty will be able to review and update their profile at: scholars.tamu.edu

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