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Angelo State University, a member of the Texas Tech University System, delivers undergraduate and graduate programs in the liberal arts, sciences, and professional disciplines. In a learning-centered environment distinguished by its integration of teaching, research, creative endeavor, service, and co-curricular experiences, ASU prepares students to be responsible citizens and to have productive careers.

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~~Angelo State University is a regional comprehensive coeducational institution of higher learning offering programs in the liberal arts and fine arts, sciences, education for the health professions, teacher education, and business administration, as well as courses of study designed to meet entrance requirements for various professional schools.~~

~~————— In the baccalaureate programs, the primary responsibility of Angelo State University is to provide opportunities in higher education for the citizens of the State of Texas. The University, through its diversified programs, seeks:~~

~~to provide its students with a basis for making sound decisions and mature judgments which depend upon an understanding of the social, scientific, literary, artistic, political, and philosophic traditions of many cultures;~~

~~to help each student reach maximum capability with respect to communications, effective reasoning, and analytical thinking, and to provide standards of physical and intellectual discipline which lead to optimal personal development and useful, responsible citizenship;~~

~~————— to educate students for living and working in a competitive global society;~~

~~to prepare interested, qualified students for graduate study and for scholarly occupations;~~

~~to provide selected professional programs which supplement students' general education and enable them to become competent in fields requiring specialized training;~~

~~to conduct research with the intention of engaging the student in independent study.~~

~~————— The purpose of the College of Graduate Studies is to provide advanced, specialized training which will strengthen the academic and professional competence of the students. The graduate programs are designed to develop students' capacities for independent study, to train students in the techniques of research, and to acquaint them with research in their fields of study.~~

~~————— In order to promote strong educational opportunities, the University encourages programs of faculty research which add to the total body of knowledge, develop new and improved techniques of instruction, and maintain the competence of faculty members in their respective fields. Teaching is the foremost area of faculty contribution, however, followed by creative or scholarly activity and service. Faculty, staff, and administration participate in a campus culture in which students receive personal attention in academic advisement and student support. Recruitment and retention of instructional and administrative personnel reflect the University's commitment to diversity.~~

~~Angelo State University is committed to the equal consideration of all qualified applicants for admission. Articulation with community colleges enables students to transfer credit. Students are offered encouragement in their university lives through a variety of support services, such as financial aid, residence life, social and career development, and counseling. Cultural and athletic programs supplement academic programs to increase students' awareness of healthy and complete lifestyles. Access to the university's physical and intellectual resources is provided to students of varying capabilities. Alumni are encouraged to maintain contact.~~

~~Partnerships with local, regional, and state agencies increase the university's role in public education, business, health, and information retrieval. Special research in agriculture is supported by the Management, Instruction and Research Center, where applied research is conducted primarily in domestic livestock production and range management. Both traditional and technological learning resources are utilized in instruction and research and to provide special services and programs of continuing education and distance education which contribute to the cultural and economic welfare of the region served by the University. The University strives to broaden the experience of its students and faculty through programs of international education and exchange.~~

~~Long-range planning, evaluation, and program assessment are part of the decision-making process at all levels. The University's commitment to improving quality extends to its administrative services and provides support to maintain the infrastructure, expand information resources, develop technological equipment and programs for academic and administrative improvement, ensure fiscal responsibility, and promote public safety and institutional advancement. Recognizing its responsibility to the community, the University offers many cultural opportunities and business, health, educational, and volunteer services to the region.~~

~~Angelo State University is committed to providing a wide range of high quality academic programs and strives to develop in its students those qualities which will enable them to enrich their personal lives, improve their abilities to serve and contribute to society, and become leaders in their professions and their communities.~~