July 21, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

Texas A&M University has shifted the fall 2020 start date from August 24, 2020 to August 19, 2020. The University plans on holding in-person and hybrid classes for fall 2020. There will be remote options for the classes as well.

Unfortunately, many of the I-20s were issued with the August 24, 2020 start date, but the start date has been updated in SEVIS to August 19, 2020. We are in the process of adding the comments from the rescinded July 6 guidance to the I-20s because several U.S. embassies and consulates are requesting it be in SEVIS. The following phrase is being added to the I-20s, “Texas A&M University has adopted a hybrid course model for fall 2020. Classes will be face-to-face with remote options. The student will not take all on-line courses.”

Please note that some Texas A&M University programs have different start dates and the I-20s and DS-2019s reflected on the documents. As we edit the I-20s, we will be uploading the scanned copy into Terra Dotta, the ISS software, and students will be able to download the digital version.

If the student is at the port of entry and needs assistance, please call 979-845-1824 and press 2 for emergency assistance.

The University is taking many actions for safety purposes. Updates for the fall semester are located at https://www.tamu.edu/coronavirus/index.html.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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William J Taylor
Director