ABOUT
Founded in 1993, South Texas College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award baccalaureate and associate degrees. More than 31,000 students attend STC, and a faculty and staff of more than 1600 serve STC's five state of the art campuses, two Higher Education Centers and one virtual campus.

CREATION
South Texas College was created on September 1, 1993, by Texas Senate Bill 251 to serve Hidalgo and Starr counties. A confirmation election, held on August 12, 1995, established a taxing district for the college. Seven districts, based on population, were also approved for single-member representation on the Board of Trustees. A community leader from each of the seven districts was originally appointed by Governor Ann Richards to serve on the founding Board of Trustees. Since then, an election process has been established, and all board members are elected for six year terms.

DUAL ENROLLMENT
South Texas College is a model of collaboration with public schools and has one of the largest dual enrollment programs in the state of Texas. A variety of dual enrollment programs have been instituted, including six academies, drop-out recovery programs and other unique initiatives with 24 school districts, and over 78 high school sites throughout Hidalgo and Starr counties. The programs allow eligible students to take college courses while attending high school. Combined, over 15,000 students are currently enrolled in these programs. Since 2003, South Texas College has provided tuition-free dual enrollment to over 95,000 students; saving families over $180 million.

In addition, South Texas College leads the nation in the number of Early College High School partnerships developed with area Independent School Districts. This includes 29 Early College High Schools and two Career and Technical Early College High Schools.

CONTINUING, PROFESSIONAL & WORKFORCE EDUCATION
The program provides opportunities for lifelong learners who want to upgrade their skills, change careers, renew licenses and certifications, or seek personal enrichment. There is a wide variety of course offerings including online classes. Additionally the division also offers customized training to area businesses, industries and the community. Training programs are tailored to a client's specific needs in terms of content, schedule and location.

ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS
For those students who wish to continue their education beyond an associate's degree, STC has more than 60 articulation agreements in place with colleges across the country.

ASSOCIATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES
South Texas College offers 120 degree and Certificate program options, including Associate's degrees in a variety of art, science, technology and allied health fields of study. The college also offers 32 online associate degrees and certificates options through South Texas College Online.

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES
South Texas College is proud to be one of four community colleges in the State of Texas accredited to offer baccalaureate degrees in Applied Technology and Applied Science. South Texas College offers Bachelor of Applied Technology degrees in Technology Management, Computer and Information Technologies, and Medical and Health Services Management. A Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership is also offered. Additionally, South Texas College was granted legislative authority during the 85th Legislative Session to offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE ONLINE
Through South Texas College Online, students not only have access to more than 241 unique on line courses, full online library services, registration, advising, counseling, payment services, financial aid, bookstore and testing, and so much more. Currently 20 associate degrees, 8 certificates and all four bachelor programs are available online, making it possible for students to earn their degrees without ever setting foot on campus.

INDUSTRY TRAINING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
South Texas College is the fiscal agent and home of the executive offices for the North American Advanced Manufacturing Research and Education Initiative (NAAMREI). In addition, the Institute for Advanced Manufacturing (IAM) is linked to all community and technical colleges in the region. South Texas College has taken the lead in helping train workers to fuel a regional manufacturing economy and to support innovations in rapid response manufacturing.

ADA COMPLIANCE
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Title IV of the Education Amendment of 1972, and Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973, South Texas College provides accommodations as required by law to afford equal educational opportunities to all people. For questions about the accreditation of South Texas College, contact the Commission on Colleges at (404) 679-4500.

VITAL STATISTICS

More than 70% of student population are the first in their families to attend college
More than 95% of students are Hispanic
More than 75% take advantage of some form of financial aid (excluding dual enrollment students)

Class size averages 26 students per faculty member

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Mid-Valley Campus
Weslaco, TX
Starr County Campus
Rio Grande City, TX
Technology Campus
McAllen, TX

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