

DATA DIGEST

Office of Data, Analytics, & Institutional Research

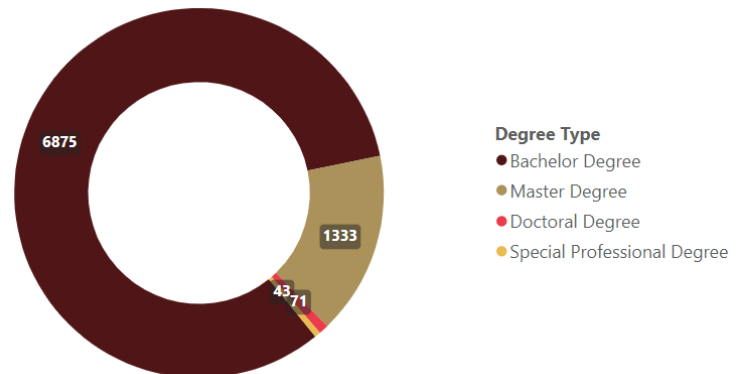
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Discover the Latest Data

Points:

At Texas State University, where Bobcats are known for their relentless pursuit of knowledge, the recent Federal Reporting Period (Summer 2023-Spring 2024) saw 8,279 Degree's Awarded. A total of 6,875 bachelor's degrees, 1,333 master's degrees, 43 Special Professional degrees, and 71 doctoral degrees were conferred to our newest alumni. The 71 doctoral degrees represents a 31% increase from last year and is an important milestone in our Run to R1. These numbers are a testament to the university's vibrant academic community and its unwavering commitment to cultivating the next generation of leaders, thinkers, and innovators.

Degree's Awarded 2023-2024



Shape the Data: Take the Poll

August Poll: [How satisfied are you with the current data analytics resources available to you?](#)



The ABCs of Data:

This segment of our newsletter explains important terms used in data analytics. We will explore the definition and significance of the following term:

Academic Year

(Federal Reporting) The 12-month period from July 1 to June 31, reflecting the calendar year it ends. For example, July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, is Academic Year 2021. The year is divided into three semesters, i.e. Fall, Spring, and Summer. This is used in reporting to the federal government, The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), and some internal institutional reports.

(State Reporting) The 12-month period from September 1 to August 31, reflecting the calendar year it ends. For example, September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021, is Academic Year 2021. The year is divided into three semesters, i.e. Fall, Spring, and Summer. This is used in reporting for the State of Texas, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), and some internal institutional reports.

Ask Us: We're here to help!



We're excited to announce our office has been renamed to the Office of Data, Analytics, & Institutional Research. This change reflects our expanding role as the centralized hub for data and analytics at Texas State, dedicated to providing accurate data, insightful analytics, and effective reporting in support of administrative decision-making and strategic planning. With this change, our mission has been updated to focus more on the promotion of data informed decision-making across the institution.

As an additional step in the process, we have moved out from Institutional Effectiveness into a stand-alone unit reporting directly to the Chief of Staff and serving as a cross-divisional resource for all offices on campus. Over the coming months you will notice several changes to our website and the creation of a new data hub website to help bring together information on data governance and analytics. We are also working to bring together communities of practice related to data, analytics, and reporting to improve efficiency and streamline processes.

If you have questions about institutional data, need analytical support, or seek information to assist with decision making and reporting, we are here to help. Reach out with any inquiries or requests, and we'll provide the data and insights you need to succeed.

Inside Look: Meet the Team

Richard is a Sr. BI Analyst for the Office of Data, Analytics, & Institutional Research. Richard completes federal reports, responds to external surveys, provides data for policy development, performs database design and maintenance, and engages in internet programming for online reports. He joined the Office of Institutional Research in 1999. He earned a B.S. in Ed. From SWT in 1981 and a Master of Public Affairs from the LBJ School at UT Austin in 1987. His parents, brothers (3), and kids (3) completed degrees at Texas State. Fields include Accounting, Computer Science, Economics, Education, and Engineering Technology. The family's connection with Texas State extends back to the 1920's when a great aunt completed a degree facilitating a teaching career of 50 years. Richard and his wife Kori celebrated 30 years of marriage on December 17th. Richard is grateful for his 25 years of employment, and the influence Texas State has had on his family for generations.

Richard Batey



Upcoming Trainings!



Explore Texas State Data

Attention! Attention! Data, Analytics, & Institutional Research welcomes you to sign-up for our Data Literacy Training: Getting Started with CatStats. This training aims to empower you to navigate CatStats effortlessly, become proficient with its dashboards, and maximize feature usage. You'll learn to set up your start page, interact with dashboards using filters and customized views, save custom views, and manage subscriptions. Additionally, the workshop will guide you on accessing data seamlessly from anywhere and quickly finding the information you need. Designed for hands-on learning, you'll follow along on your computer, practicing the skills as you learn them to become self-sufficient in using CatStats and knowledgeable about its content and functionality.

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[Data Request Center](#)



Learn about the different avenues for requesting data or gaining access to specialized institutional reports.

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