

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences  
Texas A&M University  
Approved Peer or Aspirant Institutions  
2025-2026 Promotion and Tenure Cycle**

**Peer AAU Public Institutions - Our Members | Association of American Universities (AAU) see all 69**

Arizona State University	University of California San Diego
California Institute of Technology	University of Florida
Carnegie Mellon University	University of Illinois Urbana Champaign
Columbia University	University of Kansas
Cornell University	University of Maryland
Duke University	University of Michigan
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of Minnesota
Ohio State University	University of Missouri
Pennsylvania State University	University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
Purdue University	University of Oregon
Rice University	University of Pennsylvania
Rutgers	University of Southern California
Stanford University	University of Texas Austin
University of California Berkeley	University of Wisconsin Madison
University of California Davis	Vanderbilt University
University of California Las Angeles	Yale University

**Aspirant Institutions for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (US News and World Report)**

Auburn University	University of Nebraska
Colorado State University	University of North Carolina Chappell Hill
Iowa State University	University of Pittsburgh
Johns Hopkins University	Virginia Tech
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Washington State University
North Carolina State University	University of Washington Seattle
Northwestern University	<b>Other Ivy League Schools:</b>
University of Arizona	Brown University
University of Chicago	Dartmouth College
University of Georgia	Harvard University
University of Maryland College Park	Princeton University

**Note:**

There are outstanding faculty who are leaders in their field in institutions that on face value may not be recognized as peers. We expect to tap these experts and external letter requests from leaders including National Academy members, Wolf Prize winners, or Nobel laureates at institutions other than those listed above. If not AAU or Peer, **you will need justification on the external review chart and dean approval before you send packet to external reviewers.**