The core curriculum of Texas A&M University for students entering in 2014, reflecting new mandates from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, will consist of 42 lower-division hours and include:

- Science, 9 hours
- Math, 6 hours
- Communication, 6 hours
- Political Science, 6 hours
- History, 6 hours
- Creative Arts, 3 hours
- Philosophy, Culture and Language, 6 hours

To remain in the core, courses must be recertified on a four-year cycle. To provide for a more evenly balanced recertification process, courses in the first round of approval will be randomly assigned a three-, four-, five- or six-year initial approval period and then move to a regular four-year cycle.