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HAPPY HOLIDAYS, AGS!



We hope you're looking forward to enjoying your winter break and spending time with friends and family. Thank you to everyone who helped the OSCE make sustainability an Aggie tradition this year! *See you in 2026!*

Whether this was your first semester or your last, you've worked hard to reach the finish line! **B.T.H.O. Finals!** And a huge congratulations to all Aggies graduating this month! **WHOO!**

HAPPY
Holidays

TEXAS A&M
SUSTAINABILITY

RESPECT. PROTECT. PRESERVE.



DECEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2025

Find more Texas A&M events at
calendar.tamu.edu

SUN

MON

TUE

WED

THU

FRI

SAT

1

Aggie Lyceum:
Civic
Conversations
2:30-4:30pm,
MSC 2404

2

Ugly Sweater
Social
5-7pm,
Hullabaloo Hall
117 A&B

3

4

5

Cocoa &
Carols
5:00-7:00pm,
Forsyth Galleries

First Friday
5:00pm,
Downtown Bryan

6

7

Texas A&M Holiday
Spirit of Aggieland
Choral Concert
3-5pm,
Rudder Auditorium

The Gardens Holiday
Stroll
5:30-7:30pm,
The Gardens

8

**Last Day
of Classes**
Fall 2025

9

10

Spiral Out
Your Stress
3:30-5:00pm,
Evans Library

11

Spiral Out
Your Stress
11:30am-1:00pm,
West Campus
Library

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BTHO Finals
Brain Breaks
9:00am-5:00pm,
West Campus
Library

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BTHO Finals
Brain Breaks
9:00am-5:00pm,
West Campus
Library

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Maroon &
White Night
6:00pm,
Downtown Bryan

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Faculty and Staff
Holiday

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December is Universal Human Rights Month

December is Universal Human Rights Month, highlighting International Human Rights Day on December 10. It commemorates the UN General Assembly's adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948, which upholds principles of equality, fairness, and freedom from discrimination. This month serves to globally recognize this significant anniversary.

[Learn more about International Human Rights Day here.](#)



SUSTAINABILITY TIPS

WINTER HOLIDAYS EDITION

Howdy Ags! Are you ready to wrap up the fall semester? With winter break coming up, here are some tips you can use or share with others to have a sustainable holiday season!

ENERGY-CONSCIOUS LIGHTING

Brighten up your holidays with energy-efficient LED lights. They use significantly less electricity than traditional bulbs and last much longer. Remember to turn off lights when they're not in use or use timers to reduce energy consumption even further.



SUPPORT LOCAL ARTISANS

Holiday shopping is a great opportunity to support local artisans and businesses! By choosing handmade or locally produced gifts, you contribute to the local economy and often get items with a smaller carbon footprint compared to mass-produced goods.



ECO-FRIENDLY WRAPPING

For gift-giving, consider recycled or reusable materials for wrapping. Fabrics, old newspapers, or reusable gift bags can be creative and eco-friendly alternatives to traditional wrapping paper. This reduces waste and adds a unique touch to your presents!



DIY DECOR & GIFTS

Get crafty with decorations and gifts by making your own using recycled materials. Paper snowflakes, dried citrus garlands, and upcycled ornaments can be a fun project for the whole family! Handmade gifts also add a personal touch that can't be found in premade ones.



MINDFUL TRAVEL

If you're traveling during the holidays, consider offsetting your carbon footprint by choosing more sustainable modes of transportation, such as carpooling or buses. If flying is necessary, consider lower-carbon flights that support eco-friendly efforts.



2025 MEMORIES WITH THE OSCE

17 years of making sustainability
an Aggie tradition!



»» INTERNSHIP ROUNDUP

Our Fall 2025 internship is coming to a close. Thank you to our wonderful interns for all of your hard work this semester!



INTERN TESTIMONIALS

What was your favorite memory this semester?



BAILEY SHOWAH

Ecology and Conservation Biology

"My favorite memory: internsgiving! It was so fun to come together and have a yummy meal and time together outside of working!! It was a true testament to how well we all work together to make things happen and I really loved it 😊"



INTERNSHIP ROUNDUP



CAMRYN GARZA

Bioenvironmental Sciences

"My favorite memory from internship was having the opportunity to start every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning with this community of people who are supportive, positive and all have a shared passion of making our environment more sustainable."



FAYE MERRITT

Environmental Studies

"My favorite memory was when we took a field trip to Lick Creek Park. We learned a lot about conservation efforts from the city and got to pull invasive plants, it was a lot of fun!"



HESTER HUYNH

Environmental Studies

"I enjoyed creating the tabling activity and TED-style talk to connect with the Texas A&M community throughout Campus Sustainability Month. I loved having the opportunity to educate my peers about topics that I am passionate about!"



INTERNSHIP ROUNDUP



IRISSA VERA

Bioenvironmental Sciences

"My favorite memory was creating reels, especially our internsgiving plant-based recipe reel! It was so fun experimenting with filming and video editing."



KAILEN LUJAN

Environmental Studies

"One of my favorite memories is when we had our first field trip to Challenge Works and we spent the morning doing team bonding. We were all still getting to know one another but I really feel like that brought us all closer. It was such a fun time completing the challenges with everyone!"



LOGAN PAVLICEK

Bioenvironmental Sciences

"One of my favorite memories of the internship was our field trip to the Urban Howdy Garden and conversation with Dr. Gatson! Talking about food insecurity and learning about her efforts to make home gardening accessible was really inspiring and reminded me of how important community and interdisciplinary relationships are in sustainability."

OSCE TEAM WRAPPED

We hope you had a great year filled with great memories!
Let's see the OSCE staff and student technicians' top
media picks for the year 🐼

1. Favorite Book, Film, or TV Show you read/watched this year?
2. Top 5 Music Artists?
3. One word to summarize your 2025, and one word for how you're feeling about 2026?



CAROLINE

Erosion: Essays of Undoing

1. **Wet Leg**
2. **Reneé Rapp**
3. **Clairo**
4. **Chappell Roan**
5. **Alice Phoebe Lou**

2025: Shared

2026: Peaceful

KELLY

*Gone Before Goodbye/
The Diplomat*

1. **Stick Figure**
2. **Taylor Swift**
3. **ARIZONA**
4. **Teddy Swims**
5. **The Weeknd**

2025: Adventure

2026: Hopeful



WENDY

The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches

1. **David Rosenfelt**
 2. **Annabel Chase**
 3. **Jane Austen**
 4. **Martha Wells**
 5. **Bailey Cates**
- (Top 5 Authors)

2025: Community
2026: Potential



REBECCA

The Summer I Turned Pretty

1. **Zach Bryan**
2. **The Lumineers**
3. **Taylor Swift**
4. **Zach Top**
5. **Caamp**

2025: Memorable
2026: Excited



OSCE TEAM WRAPPED

ELINE

Witches Midwives and Nurses

1. Beabadoobee
2. Fuerza Regida
3. Bad Bunny
4. Rex Orange County
5. Latin Mafia

2025: Fierce

2026: Fortunate

BILAL

JoJo's Bizarre Adventure

1. Chappell Roan
2. Tame Impala
3. The Weeknd
4. Cafuné
5. Men I Trust

2025: Transformative

2026: Determined

Chappell Roan

SEE YOU IN 2026!

