Compensation Study for Texas A&M Kingsville Staff



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 - Local Governments
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 - Quasi-Governmental Organizations



Overview

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Study Goals

Review the current compensation system to ensure internal equity.

Survey peer organizations to ensure external equity.

Produce recommendations to provide the organization with a compensation system that is equitable, both internally and externally.



Project Phases



- Project Kickoff & Introduction
- Collect Appropriate Client Data

- Data Review
- Assessment of Current Conditions
- Primary Market Survey
- Secondary Data
- Analysis & Market Positioning

- Recommendations
- Reporting



Market Survey Methodology

- Organizations selected based on similarity, location, competitiveness, and more
- All results were adjusted for regional cost of living differences
- Staff- ranges were the focus of the comparison

Peer Respondents	Facutly	Staff
Texas A&M University - Kingsville		
City Of Kingsville		Х
Florida A&M University	Х	Х
Jackson State University	Х	Х
Prairie View A&M University	Х	Х
Sam Houston State Univerisity	Х	Х
Tennessee State University	Х	Х
Texas A & M Corpus Christi	Х	Х
Texas A & M San Antonio	Х	Х
University of Idaho	Х	Х
University of New Orleans	Х	Х
University of North Florida	Х	Х
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	Х	Х
University of Texas at Tyler	Х	Х
Texas Southern University	Х	Х



Economic Research Institute (ERI)

- \geq 30 years
- Actual Salaries
- Percentiles
- Public Higher Education
- Can control for industry, location, size of organization etc..



Findings-Staff (Primary)

Market Position (Including Outliers): Minimum: 0.5% Midpoint: -1.6% Maximum: -2.9%

Market Position (Outliers Removed): Minimum: 2.1% Midpoint: 1.6% Maximum: 1.3%

- Slightly ahead of the market at all points when outliers are removed
- More competitive with the market at the pay grade minimums
- Salary ranges were slightly narrower than peer average ranges



Findings-Staff (ERI)

Market Position (Including Outliers): 10th Percentile: 14.9% Average: 8.4% Median: -4.9% 90th Percentile: -12%%

- Ahead of market at the minimum
- Average salaries slightly ahead of the market
- Fall behind the market at the median and 90th percentile



Staff Recommendations

- 1. Remain in current system pay level
- 2. Adjust staff salaries based on market for incumbents below 6% of calculated midpoint.
 - I. No increases for those within 6% or more of calculated midpoint
 - II. Increase CAP at the 6% differential
- 3. Salary calculation based on Class Parity option



Based on time in current Position
Adjusts for market
Compression adjusted based on class



Total Estimated Salary Cost- \$172,213.95

Average Increase- \$3,189.15

Staff Impacted - 54

- ✓ Conduct small-scale studies for difficult to recruit & high turnover positions
- ✓ Conduct full study every 3-5 years





Final Report

Implementation

- Seek approval for budget allocation
- Consider approach for increases with approved funding

> Notification

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