

Provosts Biography

Dr. Gene Bourgeois has served as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Texas State University since 2011. As the university's chief academic officer, he is responsible for the administration and oversight of the quality of the university's academic instructional and research programs, and for the coordination of the university's administrative and support functions central to its academic mission.

Integral to his role as Provost, he actively supports economic development and quality of life efforts for San Marcos and the central Texas region, including civic work with the Greater San Marcos Partnership, San Marcos Economic Development Board, and E3 Alliance, in addition to initiatives associated with the university's academic units and its Science, Technology and Advanced Research Park and business incubator.

Prior to becoming the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs in 2011, he served in a variety of administrative positions at Texas State, including: Associate Provost, Chair of the Department of History, Director of the Texas State Honors Program, Founding Director of the Texas State in England Study Abroad Program, and Founding Faculty Coordinator for the Texas State Residential Colleges. He has been actively engaged in numerous university committees, councils and task forces, and helped lead the Academic Affairs division's SACS reaffirmation efforts in 2010.

Awards and recognition for his teaching and professional work include the 1996 Texas State Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching; nominations for the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching U.S. Professors of the Year Award; and the Texas Academic Advising Network's 2009 Academic Advising Administrator Award.

Dr. Bourgeois earned B.A. and M.A. degrees from Louisiana State University, and the degree of Ph.D. in History from the University of Cambridge. He joined Texas State University as an assistant professor of history in 1990 and was promoted to professor in 2004. His publications include books and articles on sixteenth-century English history.