

# Mark Francis Fellows

*Private contributions provide the Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences with the financial help required to maintain its vitality and to strengthen its national influence.*

## Giving

Although Texas A&M University is a state-assisted institution, it must rely on private contributions and support to maintain its excellence. When you have made one or more contributions totalling \$1,000 to any of the development initiatives at the college, you become a Mark Francis Fellow. Fellows help meet needs in several fundamental areas including student scholarships and financial aid, equipment, public outreach, academic programs, research, and animal treatment.

## Major Areas of Support

- Enroll the most talented students, regardless of their financial status
- Recruit and retain the very best scholars and teachers
- Provide environmental and technological resources conducive to learning and research
- Provide assistance to clients who may not otherwise be able to afford life-saving medical treatment for their pets
- Enhance innovative programs, such as practitioner involvement in clinical research, education, technology, basic research, new initiatives in patient care, and new thrusts in continuing education

## Membership Levels

As Fellows continue to give to the college, they are recognized at the following levels:

Basic .....	\$1,000–\$2,499
Maroon Level I .....	\$2,500–\$4,999
Maroon Level II .....	\$5,000–\$9,999
Maroon Level III .....	\$10,000–\$24,999
Diamond Level I .....	\$25,000–\$49,999
Diamond Level II .....	\$50,000–\$99,999
Diamond Level III .....	\$100,000 and over

## Being a Mark Francis Fellow

Fellows comprise a select group of College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences advocates who find satisfaction in close involvement with a college whose achievements are immediate, tangible, and significant.

Fellows are people who are concerned about Texas veterinary medicine—people who recognize that the college is in a unique position to make important advancements for animals and human beings through education, research, and service.

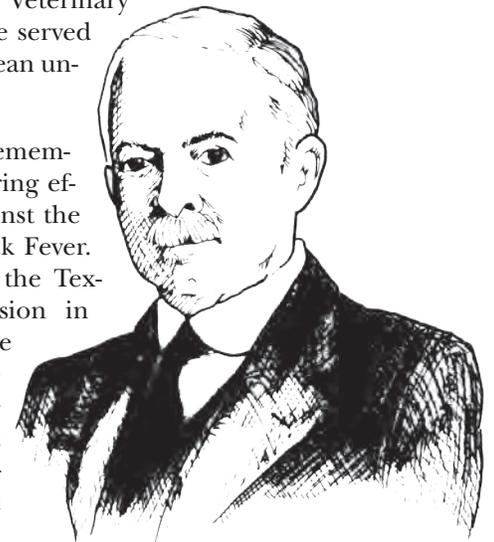
Fellows are the leaders for voluntary giving and set the pace for other donors to the college.

As a Mark Francis Fellow, your gifts will enable Texas A&M University to continue its long-standing tradition of making a difference in veterinary medicine.

## About Dr. Mark Francis

Dr. Mark Francis became the first professor of veterinary science at Texas A&M and was largely responsible for the establishment of the College of Veterinary Medicine in 1916. He served as the college's first dean until his death in 1936.

Francis is fondly remembered for his pioneering efforts in the fight against the devastating Texas Tick Fever. He helped organize the Texas veterinary profession in 1903 and became the first president of the newly formed state organization, which later became the Texas Veterinary Medical Association (TVMA).



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