The Texas Tech University chapter of SIAM (Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics) consists of both graduate students and faculty of the department of Mathematics and Statistics. The chapter cultivates both social and intellectual interaction between these two groups through colloquia, annual social events, and symposia. It provides an opportunity for each of our graduate students to become more familiar with their colleagues, not just in our department, but also in other departments around the world.

The chapter sponsors a Fall Mini-symposium series at which faculty make short presentations that familiarize students with their research. This event is particularly helpful to new students who have yet to select an advisor to direct their research. In the spring the organization sponsors the Graduate Student Research Day at which students make presentations on their research. Faculty act as judges and cash prizes are awarded. Participants at this event also prepare posters that are displayed at the Annual Mathematics and Statistics Banquet. At that event, the organization also announces the SIAM Graduate Professor of the Year.

The SIAM Chapter is involved in the Emmy Noether High School day, the Red Raider Minisymposium, and the annual Phone a Thon event. It funds scholarships in the amounts of $500-$1000 that are given to outstanding students, selected by the departmental Graduate Programs Committee. Funds for these scholarships are raised in a variety of ways that includes selling solutions to old departmental final exams at the end of each semester.