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For the past thirty-three years Richard Diem has been a member of the faculty at The University of Texas at San Antonio. His teaching responsibilities have been primarily in the curriculum and instruction, social foundations, and educational policy areas within the College of Education and Human Development at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Prior to his tenure at U.T.S.A. he obtained his B.S. from Bradley University, an M.S. from Southern Illinois University, an M.A. from Colorado State University, and a Ph.D. from Northwestern University.

Before coming to UTSA Dr. Diem was a Clinical Professor of Education at Northern Illinois University. While in this capacity he also served as the Director of the Maine Township Student Teaching Center. Other instructional experiences include working as a social studies teacher at Maine Township High School in Des Plaines, Illinois, and graduate teaching assistantships at Colorado State, Southern Illinois University, and Northwestern University. He also served as a Distinguished Visiting Professor at Texas Women's University and as a Visiting Professor at the Escola Superior de Viseu in Portugal.

While at UTSA Dr. Diem has authored or co-authored more than 90 scholarly articles, 3 books, and 100 academic papers. In addition he has been awarded more than 5 million dollars in external grants and awards.

He has been recognized for his work through numerous awards including a Fulbright Hays Senior Research Scholar Award, Who's Who in American Education, and Who's Who in America. In addition, he was elected President of the National Council for the Studies, a 25,000 professional education society.

Dr. Diem has served U.T.S.A. in a variety of administrative and service areas including being an Area Coordinator of Secondary Education and Social Foundations, Director of the Office of Teacher Certification and the Office of Professional Development in Education. Additionally, he developed and helped to implement the first doctoral proposal for the College of Education and Human Development and served as the Vice-Provost for K-16 Initiatives. Dr. Diem's current administrative assignment at UTSA is as founding Dean of the Honors College. In this capacity he has been responsible for transitioning the university honors program to an Honors College over the past six years. Within this role he has restructured the Honors College curriculum, raised funds, recruited students and developed a new BA in Honors Studies. As a result Honors College enrollments have grown 25% over the last four years.