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UTSA COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING NAMES NEW DEAN
Interim Dean, C. Mauli Agrawal to lead college

(San Antonio)— University of Texas at San Antonio President Ricardo Romo announced the appointment of C. Mauli Agrawal as dean of the UTSA College of Engineering. Agrawal holds the Peter Flawn Endowed Professorship in Biomedical Engineering at UTSA and is a professor of orthopedics at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. During the past year, Agrawal served as interim dean, replacing Zorica Pantic-Tanner, who left to become president of the Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, Mass.

“Mauli Agrawal is an accomplished scholar, teacher and leader. He will continue to build on UTSA’s exceptional engineering program while expanding partnerships that benefit his colleagues, students and UTSA,” said UTSA President Ricardo Romo.

Agrawal, an author of more than 240 scientific publications, has been awarded 11 patents and has seven others pending. He’s a Fellow of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering, President of the Society for Biomaterials, and the technology developed in his laboratories has been licensed by companies in San Antonio.

In 1997, Agrawal and three other individuals, co-founded Xilas Medical, Inc. The company was the first in Texas to receive a \$1 million grant from the Texas Emerging Technology Fund to develop medical products that will assist diabetics with disease-related foot problems.

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“I am honored to be selected for this position as UTSA and San Antonio are poised to do great things,” said Agrawal. “With the support of our outstanding faculty and staff in the College of Engineering, I intend to work diligently to move the College to premier research status nationally and make it a significant workforce producer and source of new technologies for our region, as well as for the state and the nation.”

Agrawal earned his doctoral degree in materials science from Duke University, his master’s degree in mechanical engineering from Clemson University and his bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India.

During the last four years, the UTSA College of Engineering enrollment has increased by 75 percent with more than 1,500 undergraduate students and 207 graduate students enrolled in its programs.

The University of Texas at San Antonio is one of the premier institutions of higher education in South Texas and one of the fastest growing universities in the state. One of nine academic universities and six health institutions that comprise the UT System, UTSA is the second largest institution in the system. Celebrating its 36th anniversary, UTSA serves more than 27,300 students enrolled in 62 bachelor's, 43 master's and 19 doctoral degree programs.

Programs are offered through the colleges of Architecture, Business, Education and Human Development, Engineering, Honors, Liberal and Fine Arts, Public Policy, and Sciences, and the Graduate School. A Top 100 Hispanic-serving institution, UTSA is ranked among the top 10. A university of access and excellence, UTSA is committed to research and discovery, teaching and learning, and public service.

