

Fall 2024 Welcome

FACULTY SENATE



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**THANK YOU,
FACULTY SENATE!**



The logo for the University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) in orange, with a registered trademark symbol.


welcomes

90+

new **FULL-TIME** faculty
in **FALL 2024**

UTSA Academic Affairs

INSIGHTS

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Of the 40 new
tenured/tenure-track faculty,

83%

earned their terminal degrees at
R1 INSTITUTIONS

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Cluster and Connected Proposal Results

- » **Artificial Intelligence**
 - » **Brain Health**
 - » **Microbiome and Human Health**
 - » **Space**
 - » **STEM Education**
 - » **Transdisciplinary Materials Research**
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- » Planned cluster hires of 26 scholars for 2024-2025 recruitment cycle
 - » Funded in part by Board of Regents' Research Excellence Program

Capacity Building Around Civil Discourse

- » **Students:** Offer students courses and co-curricular activities that help them to build skills in engaging with different perspectives.
- » **Faculty and Staff:** Provide professional development opportunities for faculty and staff to strengthen classroom and campus dialogue and resolve conflicts
- » **Community:** Extending efforts into the wider San Antonio community by developing interuniversity initiatives and community partnerships



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New leadership in Academic Affairs



» **Eric Brey**

Klesse College of Engineering
& Integrated Design



» **Jianwei Niu**

University College



» **Emilie Amrein**

UTSA Arts



PRIORITIES FOR '24-'25





Update on new college

Amplifying UTSA's programs in artificial intelligence, cyber, computing, data science and other related disciplines

- » Task force final reports are available on initiative website
- » Faculty and AA staff survey: Early September
- » College structure and name announced later this semester



INITIATIVE

Enhancing Wellbeing

» **FOCUS:** The wellbeing of our students is essential to our success as an institution. This year, we will place a stronger emphasis on wellness by expanding resources and programs designed to support a balanced and healthy lifestyle. By prioritizing wellness, we aim to create an environment where every member of our community can thrive both personally and professionally. While efforts will focus on student well-being, we fully expect to identify programs that could be scaled for the benefit of our staff and faculty.

» **LEADS:** LT Robinson, Tammy Wyatt



INITIATIVE

Advancing Open Educational Resources

» **FOCUS:** We will launch a Task Force dedicated to integrating OER materials into all core curriculum courses. This initiative is not just about reducing costs for our students, but also about enhancing the accessibility and quality of educational resources, ensuring that our instructional materials reflect the most current and diverse perspectives in every discipline.

» **LEADS:** Dean Hendrix, Melissa Vito



INITIATIVE

Expanding Peer Mentoring and Leadership Programs

» **FOCUS:** Recognizing the value of mentorship and leadership in our students' academic and professional growth, we are committed to broadening the scope of our peer mentoring and leadership initiatives. These programs will empower our students to share knowledge, build strong networks, and develop the skills necessary to lead with confidence in an evolving academic landscape.


» **LEADS:** Jill Fleuriet, Tammy Wyatt



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Career-Ready Roadrunners

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faculty or staff member,
or partner whose story
should be featured:
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UTSA is preparing career-ready Roadrunners with the knowledge, hands-on experiences and marketable skills to pursue life-changing careers and positively impact our community.

Here, UTSA students, faculty, staff and employers talk about the advantage of an education at UTSA.

Learn more at <https://provost.utsa.edu/advantage> and <https://bold.utsa.edu/workforce>.

#CareerReadyRoadrunners

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STAFF & FACULTY SUCCESS



We are invested in you!

UTSA is committed to your success.

Take advantage of the resources, tools and training are available through these areas:

- Faculty Success
- Employee Success Center
- Academic Innovation
- Research



Microcredentials



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- » Intro to Generative AI
- » Social Media Content Creation
- » Data Storytelling
- » Community Event Marketing
- » And more!



CERTIFICATES

- » Project Management
- » Data Analysis
- » Digital Marketing
- » Business Intelligence
- » UX Design
- » Application Development
- » And many more!

Employee Success Center

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Employee Success Center

Welcome to the UTSA Employee Success Center! Our goal is to support YOU, our employees, through a variety of ways including virtual and in-person access to resources for wellness, professional development, employee perks and more. The Employee Success Center serves as your central hub for information. Explore below to discover the many resources offered to our employees.

As we continue to grow the Employee Success Center program, new resources will be added to this page. Be sure to check back soon, and keep an eye out for updates from People Excellence in your inbox, the [People Excellence Teams channel](#) and in UTSA This Week, the email newsletter sent to all UTSA employees each Monday.

Join the People Excellence Teams Channel!

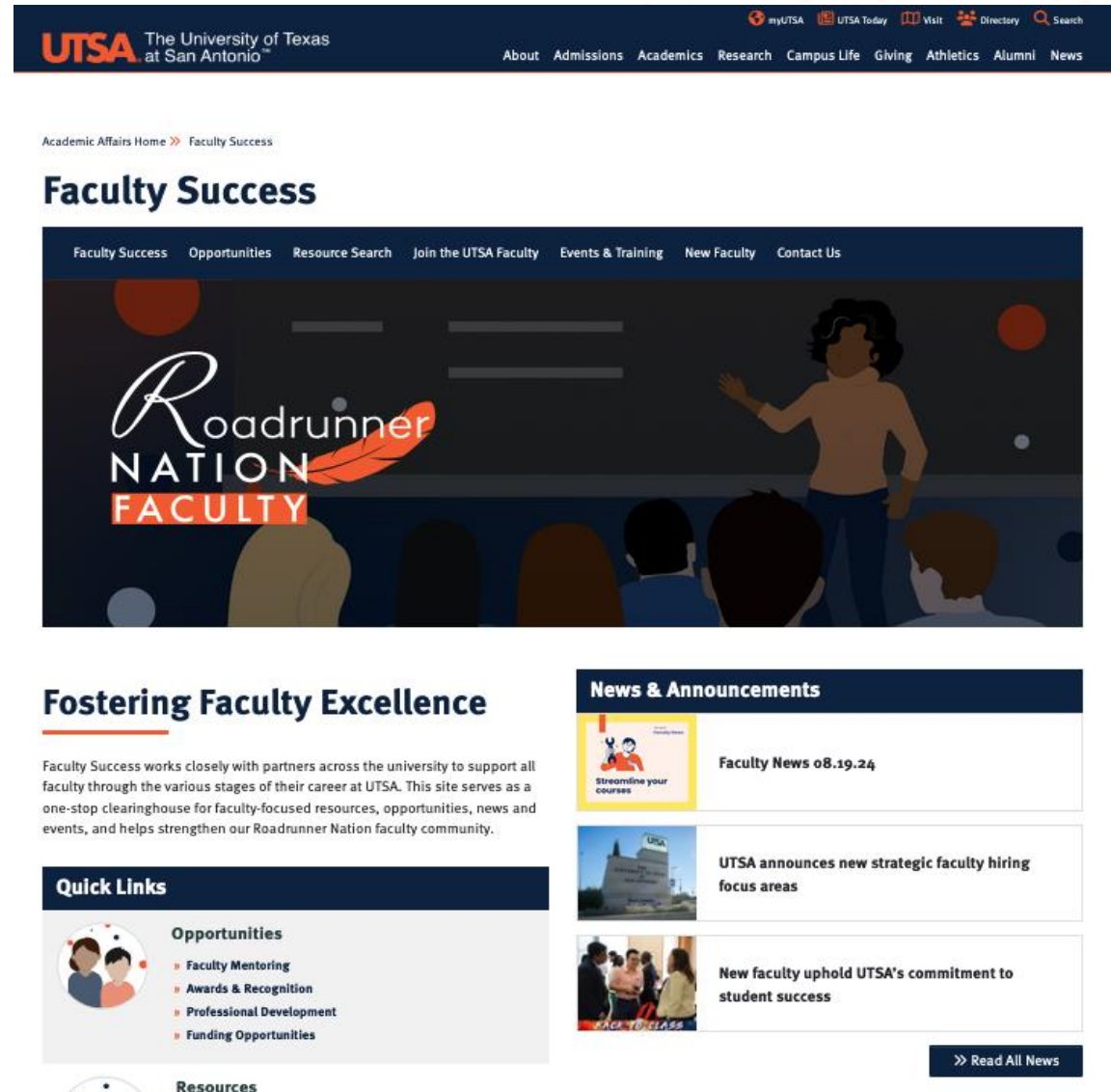
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Faculty Success

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The screenshot displays the UTSA Faculty Success website. At the top, a dark blue header contains the UTSA logo and navigation links: myUTSA, UTSA Today, Visit, Directory, and Search. Below this, a secondary navigation bar lists: About, Admissions, Academics, Research, Campus Life, Giving, Athletics, Alumni, and News. The main content area features a breadcrumb trail: Academic Affairs Home >> Faculty Success. The central banner, titled "Faculty Success", includes a sub-navigation menu with links: Faculty Success, Opportunities, Resource Search, Join the UTSA Faculty, Events & Training, New Faculty, and Contact Us. The banner image depicts a woman presenting to an audience, with the "Roadrunner NATION FACULTY" logo overlaid. Below the banner, a section titled "Fostering Faculty Excellence" provides a brief overview of the site's purpose. To the right, a "News & Announcements" section lists three recent news items with accompanying images. At the bottom left, a "Quick Links" section offers direct access to Opportunities (Faculty Mentoring, Awards & Recognition, Professional Development, Funding Opportunities) and Resources. A "Read All News" button is located at the bottom right of the news section.

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Fostering Faculty Excellence

Faculty Success works closely with partners across the university to support all faculty through the various stages of their career at UTSA. This site serves as a one-stop clearinghouse for faculty-focused resources, opportunities, news and events, and helps strengthen our Roadrunner Nation faculty community.

Quick Links

Opportunities

- » Faculty Mentoring
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- » Professional Development
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Resources

News & Announcements

Faculty News 08.19.24

Streamline your courses

UTSA announces new strategic faculty hiring focus areas

New faculty uphold UTSA's commitment to student success

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The logo features two overlapping circles. The left circle is filled with a white dot pattern on a dark blue background. The right circle is a solid dark blue outline. The text "UTSA Academic Affairs" is positioned to the right of the circles. "UTSA" is in orange, and "Academic Affairs" is in white.

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