



Graduate Fellowships

Margie and Bill Klesse College of Engineering and Integrated Design

OVERVIEW

The Margie and Bill Klesse College of Engineering and Integrated Design offers two competitive schools and three departments. The schools are Civil Engineering, Environmental Engineering and Construction Management, and Architecture and Planning. The departments include Biomedical and Chemical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Electrical and Computer Engineering. This innovative organizational structure offers cutting edge transdisciplinary research, academic programming and workforce preparation opportunities for more than 4,200 students within the school, including more than 660 students enrolled in its master's and doctoral programs. With the expectation that enrollment in its graduate programs will grow exponentially as UTSA continues its upward trajectory as a nationally recognized research university, the college is committed to increasing its number of graduate fellowships to recruit and retain the brightest students for its programs.

CHALLENGE

The growing international reputation of faculty within the various disciplines of the College of Engineering and Integrated Design translates into increased research activity, which drives the college to recruit more talented and dedicated graduate students to support their efforts. While prospective students may be drawn to the college for its high-quality academic programs,

faculty, and facilities, many of them make their selection of a university for their advanced degrees based on the financial assistance available to fund their research. To be competitive in recruiting and retaining the most outstanding graduate students, the college must increase the number competitive fellowships available to its current and prospective master's and doctoral students.



IMPACT

Along with our world-class faculty and facilities, well-funded graduate fellowships will allow the College of Engineering and Integrated Design to recruit the most talented and dedicated minds capable of creating a stimulating educational environment that draws superior faculty to the university. The impact of having outstanding master's and doctoral students studying in the college is invaluable. Not only do they reinvigorate and challenge their mentors to accelerate the pace of discovery, they also serve as role models for UTSA's undergraduates by enhancing their education and become the next generation of experts in their fields. By combining more competitive funding for our graduate students with the innovative new structure of the college, UTSA will be able to offer the most talented young architects, engineers, designers, builders, and planners an enriching and rewarding environment that will place them on the cutting edge of transdisciplinary research and academic programming. Such rigorous training will better prepare them to take leading positions in what is becoming a more integrated, collaborative, and increasingly competitive employment market.



PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Texas at San Antonio has launched a comprehensive campaign to support UTSA's 10-Year Strategic Vision introduced by President Taylor Eighmy in 2017. **Be Bold: A Campaign for Our Future**, which also extends 10 years and has a working goal of \$500 million, is focused on providing the infrastructure and resources needed to become a model for student success and research discovery. There are several philanthropic opportunities within the Margie and Bill Klesse College of Engineering and Integrated Design.

Scholarships make a tremendous difference in helping UTSA attract and recognize high-achieving students.

Endowed Faculty Positions help foster excellence in research and support efforts to recruit and retain highly qualified educators, researchers, and administrators. Our endowment levels include:

\$2,000,000+	Distinguished University Chair
\$1,500,000+	Distinguished Chair
\$1,000,000+	Chair
\$500,000+	Distinguished Professorship
\$250,000+	Professorship
\$100,000+	Faculty Fellowship
\$100,000+	Graduate Fellowship
\$25,000+	Undergraduate or Graduate Scholarship

Graduate Fellowships also offer superior experiential learning opportunities for master's or doctoral students. Fellowships are structured to deliver significant responsibility in a particular specialty. Fellows learn from our mentors and world-class research faculty, contributing to research across all industries and impacting the world we live and work in. Endowing a fellowship requires a minimum funding level \$100,000 and typically provides tuition or aid to support our graduate students' training.

UTSA has multiple avenues available to make an incredible impact. Gifts made annually can provide scholarship, research, and programmatic support across all areas. Gifts made through certain assets also have many benefits and include stock, IRAs, donor advised funds, real estate, life insurance, intellectual property, collectibles, matching gifts, in-kind gifts, estate gifts, and more.

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