



Undergraduate Student Support

Margie and Bill Klesse College of Engineering and Integrated Design

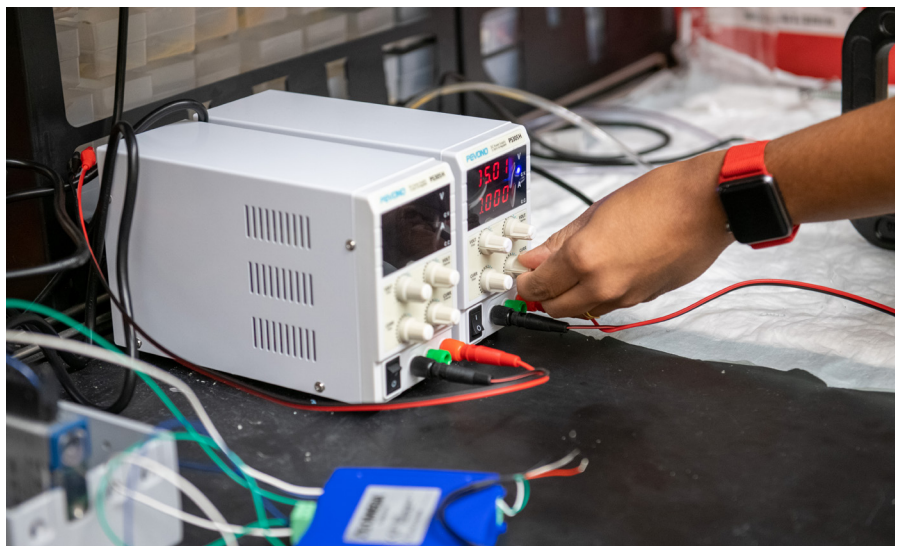
OVERVIEW

The Margie and Bill Klesse College of Engineering and Integrated Design is positioned to become a powerful engine for transdisciplinary research, academic programming, and workforce preparation. With greater opportunities for collaborative research and experiential learning, the college combines the talent, resources, and academic offerings of two schools and three departments. The schools include 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. Through this robust college, our students will be able to experience a modern, integrated, and collaborative educational experience that will equip them with the marketable skills needed to succeed in an increasingly competitive employment market. It is only appropriate that this bold move took place in the City of San Antonio — home to some of the world's best architecture, engineering, and construction firms, providing opportunities for mutually beneficial partnerships that will help our students succeed.

CHALLENGE

The creation of the college serves a tremendous strategic purpose by bringing together diverse disciplines into one comprehensive and collaborative learning environment. Heavily focused on student success, the college is committed to providing the support that our undergraduate students require to complete their degrees. Two primary focus areas are scholarship support and a Student Success Center. To attract and retain the brightest students to the college, the college must build on its endowed funds and create more opportunities for students to obtain essential financial assistance.

Supporting students' educational journeys from the start of their programs through the completion of their senior design projects is critical to their success through graduation. Beyond assisting students through financial barriers, a Student Success Center is also a critical component of the educational experience. A central hub that brings the college community together will allow for increased interaction between students, faculty, and staff, which will foster a cross-disciplined learning environment fueled by rich collaborations.



IMPACT

As the home to over 4,200 students, making sure undergraduate students have the appropriate resources to help guide them to success is a major priority for the College of Engineering and Integrated Design. A Student Success Center for students to share perspectives with peers and practice essential skills for academic success will be invaluable. Coupled with a robust scholarship endowment to support an ever-growing number of talented, dedicated students will also allow the college to not only maintain its diversity, but to also support retention and recruit high-performing students. The quality of our student body will play a large part in dictating the college's success and trajectory toward becoming a national leader for innovative engineering and integrated design education.



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.

Capital Projects provide the necessary spaces to stimulate learning, research, creativity, and collaboration among students and faculty. **Scholarships** make a tremendous difference in helping UTSA attract and recognize high-achieving students. The minimum funding level for establishing a **Named Annual Scholarship** is \$1,500 per year with a three-year commitment. An **Endowment** is perhaps the most enduring gift a donor can make since it is a permanent fund that will exist in perpetuity. Since only the distributions from the endowment's corpus may be expended, the endowment will be a part of UTSA forever.

Annually, endowments at UTSA generate these awards:

- \$ 25,000 investment generates approximately \$1,125 in scholarship support
- \$ 50,000 investment generates approximately \$2,250 in scholarship support
- \$100,000 investment generates approximately \$4,500 in scholarship support

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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