



Endowed Faculty Positions

Honors College

OVERVIEW

The overarching goal of the UTSA Honors College (HC) is to help our students emerge as global citizens and leaders as they acquire skills to flourish in their future careers. To that end, the college is committed to providing an environment where knowledge comes alive, ideas are shared, and problems are solved. This environment can only be created by an engaged, innovative, and diverse faculty. The opportunity to mentor some of the university's most academically talented students attracts distinguished faculty from across UTSA's colleges as well as prominent members of the San Antonio community, including authors, filmmakers, and industry experts. The creation of these undergraduate research opportunities will allow Honors students to work alongside and learn from some of the most outstanding experts in their fields.



CHALLENGE

With a strong belief that students succeed when they are well-rounded, the Honors College has an obligation to ensure that all of its students are challenged by their time at UTSA and have the freedom to boldly charge their own paths through a combination of coursework and experiential learning that engages them in service, internships, study abroad, and research. This brings forth the need for a very dedicated faculty – one that is diverse in expertise,

background, ethnicity, gender, and real-world experiences. To enhance the HC's ability to challenge its students by recruiting and retaining faculty scholars and experts, the college must create endowments to fund a number of Honors Diversity Fellowships for UTSA professors interested in teaching Honors courses. Along this same vein, the college also seeks to elevate its current distinguished senior lecturer position to an Endowed Chair in Mestiza/o Studies.



IMPACT

By creating an environment where knowledge comes alive to solve problems, the Honors College faculty develops talented and committed students who will contribute to the intellectual, economic, and social capital of San Antonio, the State of Texas, and beyond. While diverse in background and thought, there is a shared commitment to excellence in this community of student and faculty scholars from around the world. The addition of well-funded Honors Diversity Fellowships and an endowed chair in Mestiza/o Studies would greatly impact the learning community in a most positive way. The Endowed Chair would secure the college's ability to attract and retain outstanding faculty members. Fellowships can provide annual funding that will allow the college to have a consistent influx of outstanding and diverse professors to strengthen its teaching and advance its goal of enhancing inclusivity and intercultural confidence.



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 Honors College.

Undergraduate Scholarships and Graduate Student Fellowships 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. Capital Projects provide the necessary spaces to stimulate learning, research, creativity, and collaboration among students and faculty. 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
- \$25,000+ Undergraduate or Graduate Scholarship

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.

Naming Opportunities

The University of Texas at San Antonio also welcomes the opportunity to discuss a naming opportunity that can provide support beyond bricks and mortar. Supporting a naming opportunity can allow for major academic and programmatic transformations that will elevate UTSA to greater levels of excellence and increase its competitiveness on a global scale.

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