



University College

The University of Texas at San Antonio

OVERVIEW

The University College (UC) is guided by three main themes – Student Support, Innovative Academic Programs, and Supporting Our Future Military Leaders. The college is primarily focused on helping UTSA’s undergraduate students achieve academic success by providing them with guidance that will result in increased student achievement. The UC encourages scholarly development through exploratory programs and promoting life-long learning through classroom engagement and research. The UC can be described as an incubator for the university, a place to grow new academic programs while promoting academic success for all undergraduates across all disciplines. Home to Academic Inquiry and Scholarship, Multidisciplinary Studies, the Writing Program, and the Army and Air Force Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) programs, the UC serves as a central connection point for the various experiential learning opportunities available in academic and support units across campus.

CHALLENGE

The UC offers all of UTSA’s nearly 30,000 undergraduate students the opportunity to realize their potential for academic success. Many students come to UTSA under-prepared for the rigors of university-level work. Many of our students are first-generation college students and others come from underrepresented groups. A large portion of these students are unaware of their own capabilities. It is the responsibility of

the UC to provide the academic and experiential learning activities that will awaken and nurture the potential in every student who participates in its various programming opportunities. To meet this obligation, funds must be raised for student support and innovative programming, scholarships for UC students, and the creation of state-of-the-art experiential learning opportunities for the university’s two ROTC programs.



IMPACT

With the University College's programs touching almost every undergraduate on campus, enhanced academic programming, financial assistance, and support services will have a profound impact on student success throughout all of UTSA. For our 6,000 undergraduate students whose academic "home base" is the UC, scholarships designated specifically for these students will help ensure they have the financial support to complete their degrees on time. Funding will also allow them to participate in valuable, field-specific experiential learning opportunities that will prepare them for both their professional and personal futures. The impact of increased funding for the UC will have a positive ripple effect across campus. An investment in updated and upgraded facilities and equipment for UTSA's Army and Air Force ROTC programs will allow the dedicated ROTC cadets of today and tomorrow to obtain the leadership and tactical skills they need to become outstanding military leaders.



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 University 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:

\$3,000,000+	Distinguished Chair
\$2,000,000+	Chair
\$1,000,000+	Distinguished Professorship
\$500,000+	Professorship
\$250,000+	Faculty Fellowship
\$100,000+	Graduate Fellowship
\$25,000+	Undergraduate 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.

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