



# History and General Information

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## **About The University of Texas System**

For more than 130 years, The University of Texas System has been committed to improving the lives of Texans and people all over the world through education, research, and health care.

The University of Texas System is one of the nation's largest systems of higher education, with 14 institutions that educate nearly 240,000 students. Each year, UT institutions award more than one-third of all undergraduate degrees in Texas and more than half of all health professional degrees. With about 21,000 faculty – including Nobel laureates – and more than 85,000 health care professionals, researchers, and support staff, the UT System is one of the largest employers in the state.

Life-changing research and invention of new technologies at UT institutions place the UT System among the top 10 “World’s Most Innovative Universities,” according to Reuters. The UT System ranks fifth in the nation in patent applications, and because of the high-caliber of scientific research conducted at UT institutions, the UT System ranks No. 1 in Texas and No. 2 in the nation in federal research expenditures.

Additionally, the UT System is home to three of the nation’s National Cancer Institute Cancer Centers – UT MD Anderson, UT Southwestern, and UT Health Science Center-San Antonio – which must meet rigorous criteria for world-class programs in cancer research. And the UT System is the only System in the country to have four Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA) from the National Institutes of Health.

Transformational initiatives implemented over the past several years have cemented UT System as a national leader in higher education, including the expansion of educational opportunities in South Texas with the opening of The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley in 2015. UT System was the only system of higher education in the nation that established not one, but two new medical schools in 2016 at UT Austin and UT Rio Grande Valley.

University of Texas institutions are setting the standard for excellence in higher education and will continue to do so thanks to our generous donors and the leadership of the Chancellor, Board of Regents, and UT presidents.

# The University of Texas System's Leadership

## Board of Regents

- Kevin P. Eltife, Chairman
- Janiece Longoria, Vice Chairman
- James C. "Rad" Weaver, Vice Chairman
- David J. Beck, Regent
- Christina Melton Crain, Regent
- R. Steven Hicks, Regent
- Jodie Lee Jiles, Regent
- Nolan Perez, Regent
- Kelcy L. Warren, Regent
- Patrick O. Ojeaga, II, Student Regent

Visit the [UT System Board of Regents](#) webpage for the most up-to-date information.

## Chancellor

- James B. Milliken

Visit the [UT System Chancellor's](#) webpage for the most up-to-date information.

## About UTSA

The University of Texas at San Antonio is an emerging Tier One Research Institution and one of eight academic universities and six health institutions in The University of Texas System. As a multicultural institution, UTSA aims to become a national research university providing access to educational excellence and preparing citizen leaders for the global environment.

As of Fall 2020, UTSA serves over 32,000 students in 159 degree programs in the colleges of Architecture, Construction and Planning, Business, Education and Human Development, Engineering, Honors, Liberal and Fine Arts, Health, Community and Policy, Sciences, University College, and the Graduate School.

### UTSA's Leadership

- [Taylor Eighmy](#), President
- [Myron Anderson](#), Vice President for Inclusive Excellence
- [Bernard Arulanandam](#), Vice President for Research, Economic Development and Knowledge Enterprise
- [Lisa Campos](#), Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics and Athletics Director
- [Kimberly Andrews Espy](#), Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
- [Kendra Ketchum](#), Vice President for Information Management and Technology
- [Rod McSherry](#), Interim Vice President for University Relations
- [Veronica Salazar Mendez](#), Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice President for Business Affairs
- [Karl Miller-Lugo](#), Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations
- [LT Robinson](#), Dean of Students and Senior Vice Provost for Student Affairs

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## **Deans of Colleges and Schools**

- JoAnn Browning, Dean, College of Engineering and Interim Dean, College of Architecture, Construction and Planning
- Gerry Sanders, Dean, College of Business
- Margo DelliCarpini, Dean, College of Education and Human Development
- Ambika Mathur, Dean, Graduate School
- Lynne Cossman, Dean, College for Health, Community and Policy
- Jill Fleuriet, Acting Dean, Honors College
- Sean Kelly, Interim Dean, College of Liberal and Fine Arts
- David Silva, Dean, College of Sciences
- Heather Shipley, Dean, University College

Visit the [Academic Council](#) webpage for the most up-to-date information.

## Mission Statement

The University of Texas at San Antonio is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge through research and discovery, teaching and learning, community engagement and public service. As an institution of access and excellence, UTSA embraces multicultural traditions and serves as a center for intellectual and creative resources as well as a catalyst for socioeconomic development and the commercialization of intellectual property — for Texas, the nation, and the world.

## Vision Statement

To be a premier public research university, providing access to educational excellence and preparing citizen leaders for the global environment.

## Core Values

We encourage an environment of dialogue and discovery, where integrity, excellence, inclusiveness, respect, collaboration, and innovation are fostered.

UTSA's core values reflect how we have pursued our plan as well as how we will fulfill our mission and realize our vision. Each value reflects rich, shared meaning:

- **Integrity:** adhering to a standard of core values at UTSA and ensuring that one acts in a fair and ethical fashion.
- **Excellence:** commitment to delivering consistently high-quality service, teaching, and research through superior performance.
- **Inclusiveness:** fostering diversity and providing access to educational and socioeconomic opportunities for all - regardless of individual backgrounds and philosophies.
- **Respect:** treating others with civility and openness, recognizing the dignity inherent in each individual.
- **Collaboration:** working with others toward common goals while valuing teamwork, participation, and commitment to public service.
- **Innovation:** encouraging ingenuity, creativity, and discovery.

## **The Roadrunner Creed**

The University of Texas at San Antonio is a community of scholars where integrity, excellence, inclusiveness, respect, collaboration, and innovation are fostered.

### **As a Roadrunner,**

I will:

- Uphold the highest standards of academic and personal integrity by practicing and expecting fair and ethical conduct;
- Respect and accept individual differences, recognizing the inherent dignity of each person;
- Contribute to campus life and the larger community through my active engagement; and
- Support the fearless exploration of dreams and ideas in the advancement of ingenuity, creativity, and discovery.

Guided by these principles now and forever, I am a Roadrunner!

**The School Colors**  
Blue, Orange and White

**The Mascot**  
Roadrunner



**The Alma Mater**

**“Hail UTSA”**

From our hills of oak and cedar  
To the Alamo  
Voices raised will echo  
As, in song, our praises flow  
Hail Alma Mater!  
Through the years our loyalty will grow  
The University of Texas  
San Antonio

**UTSA Fight Song**

**“Go Roadrunners Go!”**

Go, Roadrunners, Go!  
On to victory with all your might.  
For the Blue and the Orange and the White.  
We fight for U-T-S-A  
Alma Mater proud and strong.  
Win, Roadrunners, Win!  
And unite in our battle song.  
(Repeat for second verse)