



## FACT SHEET

# Meet President Taylor Eighmy



**T**aylor Eighmy is the 6th president of The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA). In addition to serving as university president, Eighmy holds faculty appointments in the Margie and Bill Klesse College of Engineering and Integrated Design's Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, and the College of Sciences' Department of Environmental Science and Ecology.

Eighmy is passionate about the critical role that research universities play in creating and applying knowledge to improve the world. He believes deeply in higher education as a great opportunity provider, especially when grounded in student success. Once more, he is a vigorous advocate for experiential learning—including undergraduate research—as foundational to such success.

Since arriving at UTSA, Eighmy has made great strides toward linking educational attainment to San Antonio's economic development. Under his leadership, UTSA is producing more graduates than ever before, driving job creation and the city's growing knowledge economy. He is nationally recognized for advancing top research universities through strategic government-university-industry collaborations, public-private partnerships and community engagement. These principles are at the heart of his conviction that UTSA is "the university of the future in the city of the future."

### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Environmental Engineering — University of New Hampshire

M.S. in Civil Engineering — University of New Hampshire

B.S. in Biology — Tufts University

### DISTINCTIONS

- n Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science
- n Fellow, National Academy of Inventors
- n Diplomate, American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists

### ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

#### BOARDS:

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| n American Athletic Conference   | n Tech Bloc San Antonio                |
| n Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU) Executive Committee | n Texas Biomedical Research Institute  |
| n APLU Coalition of Urban Serving Universities                                 | n Tobin Center for the Performing Arts |
| n Greater: SATX Board Executive Committee                                      | n San Antonio Medical Foundation       |
|  | n World Affairs Council of San Antonio |

#### MEMBER:

- n 16th Air Force
- n Alliance of Hispanic Serving Research Universities
- n Council of Public University Presidents and Chancellors
- n Council on Competitiveness President's Council
- n APLU Commission on International Initiatives
- n Council of the National Academies' Government-University-Industry Research Roundtable (GUIRR)
- n Advisory Trustee of the Southwest Research Institute
- n Advisory Council for the United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Element speciation, environmental chemistry of leaching behavior, spectroscopic surface analysis, applied geochemistry, reactive barriers, reactive transport modeling, environmental microbiology, biofouling, biofilms, sustainability, carbon sequestration, carbon cycling, recycled materials, lab safety.

### PERSONAL

President Eighmy and his wife Peggy Eighmy have one daughter, Hannah, a pediatric nurse at Boston Children's Hospital, and are the proudest of grandparents to Maeve Elizabeth. They enjoy fly fishing, hiking, pickleball, cooking and playing with their dogs Finbarr and Fiona.