
UTSA Awareness Campaigns

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Each year, UTSA students, faculty and staff collaborate to organize university-wide awareness campaigns that encourage personal safety. These initiatives educate the campus community about strategies to prevent sexual harassment and sexual assault. They also encourage members of the UTSA community to serve as active bystanders by recognizing potentially harmful situations and responding in a way that could positively influence the outcome of those situations. Programming includes:

Beaks Up. Speak Up.

This UTSA initiative coordinates and provides bystander education opportunities to students, faculty and staff through training, other programs and social media. Beaks Up. Speak Up. teaches students how to recognize a harmful situation and how to respond in a way that could positively influence the outcome of that situation. Learn more at www.utsa.edu/beaksup/index.html or 210-458-4136.

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Various UTSA departments collaborate each April to participate in this nationwide event by hosting activities that promote sexual assault awareness and prevention. Events include tabling events in high traffic areas of campus, workshops, film screenings, discussion groups, social norming campaigns, social media outreach, photo booths and collaboration with registered student organizations. Learn more at www.utsa.edu/utsapd or 210-458-6974.

Call to Action Day

Each April, UTSA raises awareness of sexual violence prevention through Call to Action Day, a university-wide educational fair. Attendees can ask questions about sexual harassment and sexual assault, obtain information about sexual violence and make a pledge to become an active bystander. Learn more at communityaffairs@utsa.edu or 210-458-6974.

Take Back the Night

Each fall, UTSA participates in Take Back the Night, a gender-inclusive experience to help college students take back the night and stop intimate and interpersonal violence on campus. At UTSA, Take Back the Night programming encourages students to prevent sexual assault and dating/domestic violence while promoting community resources. Learn more at <http://education.utsa.edu/womens-studies> or call 210-458-6277.

National Night Out

This annual fall event aims to decrease crime and increase safety awareness. It features crime prevention information tables, games, food and entertainment. Learn more at www.utsa.edu/utsapd or 210-458-4242.

Safety Escort Program

Uniformed UTSA PD staff provide escorts around the clock upon request from anywhere on campus to any other location on campus. Request an escort at 210-458-4242.

Whistle Defense Program

This campus-wide safety program is based on the use of whistles to alert patrol officers, students, faculty and staff that an immediate threat is nearby or a crime is in progress, with the hope of diffusion. Learn more or request a keychain whistle at www.utsa.edu/utsapd or 210-458-6250.

Silent Witness Program

This campus program allows individuals to make a confidential crime report to the UTSA Police Department as a silent witness. Learn more at www.utsa.edu/utsapd or 210-458-4242.



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