

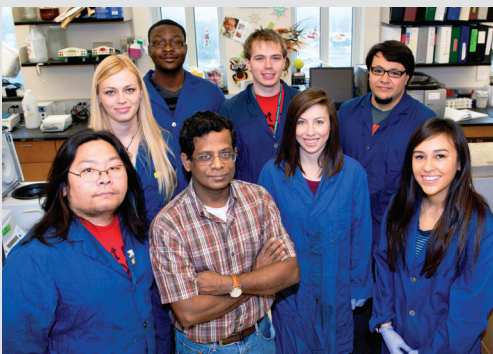


Be Bold: Research Excellence

The University of Texas at San Antonio

OVERVIEW

Faculty are the heart of research, teaching, and learning at The University of Texas at San Antonio. Our university remains focused on attracting and retaining world-class scholars, creating fellowship opportunities, enhancing research-focused facilities, and becoming a nationally recognized research university. Research Excellence serves as one of three major destinations that ground **Be Bold: A Campaign for Our Future** – a campaign extending 10 years with a working goal of raising \$500 million and providing the infrastructure and resources needed to become a model for student success and research discovery. With three distinct destinations focused on Student Success, Research Excellence, and Strategic Growth, the campaign mirrors the destinations of UTSA’s strategic vision.



CHALLENGE

UTSA has the opportunity to train and positively impact the next generations of scientists and researchers. UTSA is well positioned to maintain R1 Carnegie Classification and access to the National University Research Fund (NRUF), two distinctions that will increase opportunities to support transformational research activity. To propel the university toward these designations, UTSA is focused

on ensuring all its programs and facilities are of the highest caliber, as well as meeting several targets that encompass research expenditures, faculty awards, doctoral graduates, and more. Strong private support will have a tremendous impact on the university’s trajectory toward meeting these targets and will help UTSA create opportunities for students and faculty to collaborate on life-changing research.

UTSA is on a fast track to becoming a nationally-recognized research university.

GOALS

UTSA’s mission toward becoming a nationally recognized institution of research excellence involves the following target goals.

- Maintain R1 Carnegie Classification.
- Maintain access to the National Research University Fund (NRUF).
- Increase the university endowment to \$400 million.
- Grow strategically to 45,000 students and over 2,000 faculty.
- Increase the number of endowed chairs and professorships to over 300.
- Gain international recognition in 6-8 areas of scholarly distinction.

IMPACT

Spurring Discovery and Economic Development

UTSA boasts faculty with recognized expertise in the fields of engineering, bioscience, environmental science, education, arts, sociology, information technology, business, and more. Their influence extends far beyond our campuses, and UTSA faculty continue to break new ground through their discoveries, scholarship, inventions, and innovative teaching.

Attracting the Brightest Minds & Bringing Disciplines Together

Supporting research excellence will enhance UTSA's opportunities to collaborate with some of the greatest researchers in the world. Current strategies aim to increase annual research expenditures and the pipeline of doctoral students, support faculty to achieve national research recognitions, and recruit National Academy members. An investment in our faculty will provide UTSA with a competitive advantage in talent recruitment. Endowed funds will also support distinguished chairs, professorships, fellowships, centers of excellence, and cluster hires across disciplines in highly competitive fields.

Enhancing Social Capital & Addressing Workforce Needs

Coupled with the NRUF and R1 Carnegie designations, an increased number of endowments will bring a new level of prestige to UTSA and San Antonio. Most importantly, this will illustrate our commitment to providing transformational experiences inside and outside of the classroom, engagement opportunities with world-renowned scholars and preparation for meaningful work that will tackle society's grandest challenges.



PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITIES

The campaign will support all divisions, schools, departments, and institutes across UTSA. **Endowed Faculty Positions** help foster excellence in research and support efforts to recruit and retain highly qualified educators, researchers, and administrators. 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
\$100,000+	Graduate Fellowship

Graduate Fellowships also offer superior experiential learning opportunities for master's and doctoral students. Fellowships are structured to deliver significant responsibility in a particular specialty. Fellows learn from our mentors and world-class research faculty, contributing to research across all industries, and impacting the world we live and work in. Endowing a fellowship requires a minimum funding level of \$100,000 and typically provides tuition or aid to support our graduate students' training.

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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