## This Is UTSA...

In 1969, San Antonio was a 250-yearold city famous for its historic Spanish missions, the River Walk and military bases. The University of Texas at San Antonio existed only in the minds of the

visionaries who pushed for its creation that year by the Texas Legislature.

Today, the city and its only public university have reached levels of maturity not even dreamed of 36 years ago. With a population of more than 1.2 million, San Antonio is the eighth-largest city in the United States and UTSA is among the fastest-growing universities in the nation (an enrollment of more than 27,000 students).

These rising stars of Texas – one in its third century and the other in only its fourth decade – are now making history together.

Today, UTSA is rapidly moving toward premier research university status while remaining committed to its original mission of providing affordable, accessible higher education to the people of Texas and beyond. Balancing excellence with access is a challenge that has been embraced by the university community as both a goal and a responsibility.

### History

Governor Preston Smith founded the University of Texas at San Antonio on June 5, 1969. The university has come a long way in just 35 years. Administrative offices for the first UTSA president, Arleigh B. Templeton, were set up in 1970 in Hemisfair Park, and architects Ford, Powell and Carson Inc. began developing a conceptual master plan for the campus.

In 1973 Peter T. Flawn was appointed UTSA's second president, and by this time, more than 670 students had enrolled in graduate level courses taught by 52 faculty members.

UTSA's earliest students attended college at the Koger Center, an office park. Master's degrees were offered in business administration, education, bicultural-bilingual studies, English as a second language, environmental management, Spanish,



The University Center at the 1604 Campus



The Main Building

biology, mathematics and systems design.

In 1973 construction began on UTSA's original campus — the 1604 Campus — on 600 acres at the intersection of Interstate 10 and Loop 1604 near the northwestern edge of San Antonio. As enrollment grew, five colleges — Business, Fine and Applied Arts, Sciences and Mathematics, Humanities and Social Sciences and Multidisciplinary Studies — opened in 1975. One year later, the John Peace Library Building, which also served as the new administration building, opened.

James W. Wagener was named UTSA president in 1978, and in the 1980s, four new colleges were put in place and new undergraduate programs were offered in civil, mechanical and electrical engineering. Later in the decade, the College of Sciences and Mathematics was reorganized to form the College of Sciences and Engineering. Also, UTSA's athletics teams began competing as San Antonio's only NCAA Division I sports program.

More than 12,000 students enrolled at UTSA in this era and a recital hall, university center and the first on-campus residence — Chisholm Hall — opened. The Institute of Texan Cultures also became a part of UTSA during this period. Samuel A. Kirkpatrick became the fourth UTSA president in 1990.

UTSA began offering classes downtown in the Institute of Texan Cultures, and as enrollment increased, the university began looking for a new location. Bill Miller Bar-B-Q Enterprises purchased the Fiesta Plaza site for the new campus. The Texas Legislature-funded South Texas Border Initiative allocated \$71.5 million to UTSA, with \$20 million stipulated for the Downtown Campus.

The 11-acre Downtown Campus was dedicated in fall 1997 and now has four academic buildings. A growing number of undergraduate and graduate degrees can be completed onsite at the Downtown Campus. Other facilities constructed or opened during the 1990s included the Engineering-Biosciences Building, Business Building, a campus visitor center, and a computer lab. The student-centered University Center has tripled its original size.

Dr. Ricardo Romo became UTSA's fifth president in 1999 and was the first Hispanic president in the university's 30-year history. Academic reorganization the following year included a move to six colleges — Business, Education and Human Development, Engineering, Liberal and Fine Arts, Sciences, and Public Policy. A School of Architecture, Honors College and The Graduate School were subsequently developed.

New construction and additions to the campuses recently completed include the Downtown Campus Durango Annex, home of the UTSA Institute for Economic Development; a \$19.3-million Recreation and Wellness Center and Child Development Center; the Main Building, a \$52 million facility located just east of the John Peace Library Building on the 1604 Campus; and a \$23 million Margaret Batts Tobin Laboratory Building that will be used to study emerging infectious diseases.

### **Academic Strength**

UTSA serves more students than any other higher education institution in South Texas, offering 58 undergraduate, 42 graduate and 13 doctoral programs through eight academic divisions: College of Business; College of Education and Human Development; College of Engineering; College of Liberal and Fine Arts; College of Public Policy; College of Sciences; School of Architecture and Honors College.

As the region's largest generator of engineers, artists, business professionals, teachers, scientists and technology managers, UTSA has produced nearly 60,000 graduates since awarding its first degrees in 1974.

While continuing to strengthen its undergraduate academic offerings through such initiatives as the Learning Communities and expanded student success program, UTSA has made the commitment to become a premier research university. Enhancing the prospect of Top 100 Public Research University status are ever-expanding, state-of-the-art teaching and research facilities, the recruitment of outstanding faculty and students



Chaparral Village opened in 2004 and houses more than 1,000 students.



UTSA Downtown Campus

and strategic collaborations with both public and private partners throughout the region, state and nation.

Development of new doctoral programs, which are designed to address the socioeconomic concerns of the region, is occurring at a rate unmatched by other Texas institutions. UTSA recently implemented doctoral programs in English, business administration, environmental science, electrical engineering, cellular and molecular biology, biomedical engineering, counseling and physics, as well as a master of social work program.

#### **Student Life**

The campus environment at UTSA is becoming increasingly residential with the opening in 2004 of Chaparral Village, a \$45 million, 1,000-bed housing complex that increases on-campus student housing to nearly 3,000 beds. Plans are in the works to expand the luxury Olympic-style housing complex by an additional 700 beds.

A 500-seat dining hall, Roadrunner Cafe, opened in fall 2005 with a contemporary feel and two outdoor dining patios. Air Rowdy, the university's wireless Internet service, is live in the cafe, which features a variety of food choices beginning with the Mongolian Grill, one of the first of its kind on a university campus.

Also enhancing campus life at UTSA are a new Recreation and Wellness Center, Health Services Clinic and Child Development Center, which provides care for the children of students, faculty and staff.

The dynamics of the student learning experience are enriched with such state-of-the-art facilities as the newly opened \$52 million Main Building, which provides more than 150,000 square feet of lecture halls and teaching labs.

For many students, their university experience is centered at UTSA's Downtown Campus, which offered its first classes in temporary facilities in 1994. Today, three beautiful new buildings in the heart of San Antonio provide instructional

service and activities space for more than 6,000 undergraduate and graduate students. The university plans to keep pace with the rapid growth through an expansion program that includes the addition of new facilities and eight acres of land, which will almost double the size of the Downtown Campus.

In spring 2004, UTSA's students approved the Campus Life Initiative that will provide additional revenue to enhance the student experience outside the classroom. One beneficiary is the university's NCAA Division I athletics program, which has grown to 16 sports with the recent addition of women's golf (started play in 2005-06) and women's soccer (begins in fall 2006). In the planning stages are a new track and soccer complex and major facility upgrades for baseball, men's and women's basketball and softball. The initiative will also fund a \$38 million expansion to the Recreation and Wellness Center and enhance student services and programs.

### Research and Service: Building Partnerships

There are certain accepted requisites for a city to be considered a "great city," and one of those is a premier research university. Though home to five universities, San Antonio remains the largest city in the nation without a major research university. UTSA is committed to filling that void by becoming, in the next 10-15 years, one of the top 100 public research universities in the United States.

To reach this goal, the university will build on the strengths of its current 450 tenure and tenure-track faculty by hiring at least 75 new professors each year for the next eight years and increasing the amount of research funding it attracts from \$15.5 million to \$100 million a year. These are significant steps since premier research universities are, in part, measured by the quality and size of the faculty and annual funding for research.

UTSA has already made great strides in the research arena. The newly-opened \$83.7 million, 227,000-square-foot

Biotechnology, Sciences and Engineering Building is one of the largest science-related educational facilities in Texas. Phases II and III of the facility, scheduled for completion in 2007 and '09, will add \$150 million in instructional and research space for undergraduate and graduate programs for these in-demand academic areas.

Among life science programs, UTSA's Department of Biology ranks 22nd in the nation and second in Texas in research funding from National Institutes of Health. An example of the impact of such funding is the Cajal Neuroscience Research Center, established in 1999 through a \$6.3 million NIH grant.

To address one of the nation's greatest concerns, the Center for Infrastructure Assurance and Security was designed to



A shot of UTSA's downtown campus

leverage San Antonio's security strengths as part of the solution to the nation's homeland defense needs. With the support of UTSA's congressional delegation, \$8 million has been invested in the center.

In 2004, UTSA also became a major center for demographic research with the creation of the Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Research and the relocation of the official state demographer, Steve Murdock, and the State Data Center to the university.

### UTSA: Making an Impact on the Community

UTSA is a crucial component of the state and regional economy. Not only is the university graduating thousands of well-prepared professionals into the workforce each year, the institution also is taking a leadership role by partnering with public schools in San Antonio to increase the number of high school students going on to college.

University events and athletics bring in an estimated

\$30 million annually to the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area — including revenue from NCAA Championship events hosted by UTSA.

The university's own impact on the local economy during the past five years has approached \$1 billion annually, an amount that should increase dramatically in the next decade. Fueling the growth will be a projected \$500 million construction program and the hiring of 600 new faculty members.

UTSA will continue to provide access to higher education for growing numbers of students, while embodying the concepts of service to society and creation of new knowledge.



Newest addition to the 1604 campus the Engineering Building.

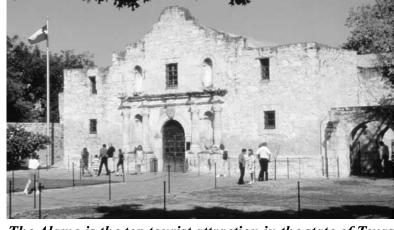
## This Is San Antonio...

Born a small Indian camp along the banks of a gentle river nearly 300 years ago (1718), the city of San Antonio has grown up into one of the most diversified cities in the United States.

Long considered a favorite of

tourists, the "Alamo City" has kept its small town feel while becoming the eighth-largest city in the country with more than 1.2 million people calling it home.

It is easy to see why people love the ambiance of San Antonio. Its modern amenities are interwoven into the rich-history of the city's past. A multicultural center of the Southwest, San Antonio ranks among the lowest in cost of living for metropolitan areas with at least one million people. A 1998 survey showed it as 10 percent below the national average. San Antonio is a young city. The median age of its citizens is just



The Alamo is the top tourist attraction in the state of Texas

under 30 years old, almost three years younger than the national average (32.6).

It is a multi-cultural center with seven museums, including the first museum of modern art in Texas, the Marion Koogler McNay Art Museum. Historic downtown landmarks include the Alamo, Majestic Theatre, River Walk and the Tower of the Americas. Among all tourist attractions in the state of Texas, the Alamo is ranked as the top attraction, while the River Walk is the second-most visited.

The town also boasts popular tourist attractions Six Flags Fiesta Texas and Sea World (the world's largest marine-life theme park). More than 20 million tourists visit the city per year.

The city also hosts concerts by George Strait, Eric Clapton, Tony Bennett and Janet Jackson to name a few. Broadway touring productions perform at the Majestic Theatre, while musicians perform at the newly-built SFX Verizon Amphitheatre.

San Antonio is also a sports town. It is the home of the three-time NBA World Champion Spurs and four professional sports franchises



The Alamodome has hosted three NCAA Final Fours since 1998

overall. In addition to the Spurs, the Missions are a member of the Texas League and the Double-A affiliate of the Seattle Mariners. The Rampage compete in the American Hockey League, and the newest addition to the professional ranks in San Antonio are the WNBA Silver Stars, who opened play in 2003.

The city also hosts the Alamo Bowl each December and two

professional golf events — the PGA Tour Valero Texas Open at the Resort Course at La Cantera Golf Club and Champions Tour AT&T Championships at Oak Hill Country Club.

The Alamodome has brought numerous sporting events to the city, including the 1998 and 2004 Men's Final Four, 2002 Women's Final Four, three NCAA Men's Basketball Regionals and 1998 Big 12 Conference Football Championship Game.

Future events at the dome include the 2007 NCAA Men's Basketball South Regional, 2007 Big 12 Football Championship

Game, 2008 Men's Final Four and 2010 Women's Final Four. By 2010, the city will have hosted 11 NCAA Championships events in a 13-year period.

The town's newest arena, the AT&T Center, became the new home of the Spurs in 2002 and it hosted the 2006 NCAA Women's Basketball South Regional. The arena also is home to the Silver Stars.

In 2005, the city served as the temporary home of the New Orleans Saints, who were displaced by Hurricane Katrina. The Alamodome hosted three of the Saints' regular seasons games (vs. Buffalo, Atlanta and Detroit) and averaged nearly 63,000 fans per contest, including a facility-record 65,562 against the Falcons. NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue stated San Antonio was successful in hosting the team and that the city would be on the short list for any future NFL expansions.

San Antonio also has hosted the Dallas Cowboys and Houston Oilers preseason camps in the past. In 2006, the city announced they came to an agreement with the Cowboys and the team will hold its preseason workouts in San Antonio from 2007-11.

UTSA graduates do not have to look far to find careers. San Antonio is the corporate home of Valero Energy Corporation; USAA, one of the nation's largest insurance providers; regional grocery giant H-E-B; LaQuinta Hotels; Taco Cabana restaurants and communications giant AT&T.

It also is the home of Clear Channel Communications, the largest media conglomerate in the United States. Clear Channel owns more than 1,200 radio stations worldwide and is the owner of Eller Outdoor Media, the largest outdoor billboard company in the United States and SFX Entertainment.

At the entrance of the rolling Hill Country, San Antonio is a few short hours by car to the Gulf of Mexico beaches and the Mexico border.

### The RiverWalk

The stream, known to the Payaya Indians as Yanaguana, was variously utilized over the first three centuries by Franciscan missionaries, explorers, soldiers, and even a settlement of Canary Islanders.

Through the late 1800s and early 1900s, San Antonio's increasing population and expanding boundaries experienced an increasing degree of problems brought about by flooding. In 1921, a cloudburst over the Olmos Basin and San Antonio River put nine feet of water on Houston Street downtown, which resulted in flooding that killed 50 people and caused millions in property damage.

For three years after the calamity, flood control plans were worked on by city officials and the Army Corps of Engineers, whose plans called for straightening the river in several spots.

The river development project broke ground in 1939. Since then, the "RiverWalk" has emerged into one of the top tourist attractions in the United States.



Lined by shops and restaurants, the RiverWalk is an important part of San Antonio's urban culture.

### Did You Know...

- The filming location of 36 movies including The Alamo starring Dennis Quiad and Billy Bob Thornton, Miss Congeniality starring Sandra Bullock, The Newton Boys with Matthew McConaughey, All the Pretty Horses with Matt Damon and Jennifer Lopez as Selena.
- The home of four professional sports teams. The 1999, 2003 and 2005 NBA Champion San Antonio Spurs, the Double-A affiliate of the Seattle Mariners in the 2002 and 2003 Texas League champion San Antonio Missions and the Rampage of the American Hockey League, and the Silver Stars fo the WNBA.
- The home of the 1968 World's Fair. As a permanent reminder, the Tower of the Americas overlooks downtown San Antonio.
- Located in a mild climate that averages more than 300 days of sunshine a year, an average temperature of 68.8 degrees and 27 inches of rain a year, San Antonians spend most of their time enjoying the outdoors.
- The cultural center of South Texas with seven award-winning museums.



SeaWorld San Antonio is the world's largest marine-life theme park.



Six Flags Fiesta Texas, renovated expanded for the 2006 season, features six roller coasters and a water-theme park.

### **Weight Facilities**

- UTSA is running faster and getting stronger thanks to the commitment to an enhanced weight and conditioning program
- Strength and conditioning coach Michael Cox begins his fifth year at UTSA in 2006.
- Also available is the new UTSA Wellness and Recreation Center, which opened its doors in January, 2003. UTSA athletes can now use



UTSA Weight Room

the largest weight facility in the state of Texas for non-football institutions.



UTSA Recreational/Wellness Center

### **Roadrunners in the Community**

- The student-athletes at UTSA not only put forth their best on the playing field and in the class-room, but Roadrunners student-athletes are involved in community activities as well.
- Roadrunners For Education is an innovative program designed to foster positive attitudes among elementary and junior high school students while allowing UTSA student-athletes to serve as role models for the youngsters. This is one small way for the student-athletes to give something back to the community which has supported Roadrunners athletics over the years.
- The Roadrunners For Education program, under the direction of the UTSA Athletics Department, has taken off in the 10 years since its inception. Over the years, Roadrunners For Education has visited more than 500 elementary and junior high schools throughout San Antonio, reaching approximately 40,000 young minds. The department also sponsors numerous sports skill clinics for the various UTSA sports.

## This Is UTSA Spirit...

### The Mascot

The Roadrunner, a bird representative of the Texas Hill Country and the Southwest, was voted by the student in 1977, to become the official mascot of UTSA. The Roadrunner was officially adopted one year later.



### The School Colors

Official colors for The Unviersity of Texas Systems are orange and white. Upon recommendation from the UTSA Student Representative Assembly, the Board of Regents approved the addition of navy blue to the orange and white for UTSA's colors for athletic competition.



### The Alma Mater

Music to "Hail UTSA" the alma mater of the Unviersity of Texas at San Antonio, was composed by Dr. Joe Stuessy, Professor of Music, and lyrics were written by Dr. Alan Craven, Director of the Divison of English, Classics and philosophy at UTSA.

# The Fight Song "GO ROADRUNNERS GO"

Go, Roadrunners, Go!
On to victory with all your might.
Fight Roadrunners, Fight!
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 version)

"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 Texas at San Antonio.





### **Student-Athlete Success**

All too often, the term "student-athlete" ends up just becoming "athlete." However, the UTSA Department of Athletics takes tremendous pride in the academic achievements of its student-athletes, in addition to their accomplishments on the playing field. Several student-athletes have found a way to balance athletics and academics, defying stereotypical expectations of their roles on the UTSA campus.

This is particularly evident by the number of Roadrunners who have earned Southland Conference (SLC) Student-Athlete of the Year honors since the award's inception in 2002. During that time, 12 Roadrunners have combined to collect 17 awards.

"It is always an honor to have our student-athletes considered the best individual in their respective sport when combining athletics and academics," UTSA Athletics Director Lynn Hickey said.

Last year, three UTSA student-athletes collected four awards: junior Kurt Attaway (men's basketball), junior Meagan Daniel (volleyball) and senior Bryan Wolfe (indoor and outdoor track & field). Attaway and Wolfe collected awards for the second consecutive year, while Daniel was a first-time honoree. That came on the heels of a SLC-record eight Roadrunners earning awards in 2004-05.

The award is presented annually to the top student-athlete in each of the conference-sponsored 17 sports. It is voted on by the head coaches, sports information directors and academic/compliance administrators from each SLC school. The winner must have earned at least a 3.5 cumulative grade point average to meet the minimum academic requirement. Athletics standards include superior achievement, having brought significant recognition to the institution and having competed in at least two seasons. The final component is the service requirement, for which the winner must have demonstrated significant contribution to the campus or com-

UTSA Southland Conference	
Student-Athlete of the Year Honorees	
<u>2005-06 (4)</u>	
Kurt Attaway	Men's Basketball
Meagan Daniel	Volleyball
Bryan Wolfe	Men's Indoor Track & Field
Bryan Wolfe	Men's Outdoor Track & Field
<u>2004-05 (8)</u>	
Kurt Attaway	Men's Basketball
Meghan Chance	Women's Indoor Track & Field
Nicole Dunson	Women's Basketball
Matt Johnston	Men's Golf
Ashley McDonald	Women's Cross Country
Jessica Rogers	Softball
Bryan Wolfe	Men's Indoor Track & Field
Bryan Wolfe	Men's Outdoor Track & Field
2003-04 (2)	
Meghan Chance	Women's Indoor Track & Field
Jessica Rogers	Softball
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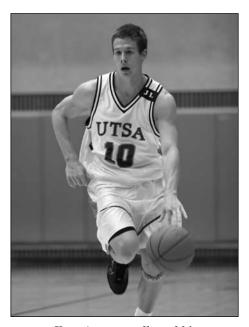
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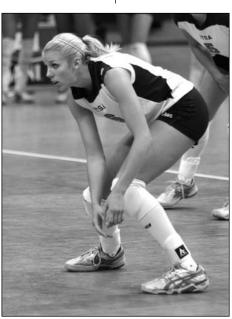
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Additionally, UTSA has had four Academic All-Americans since 2004, nine *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District VI honorees the past two years and 29 academic all-conference selections the last two seasons.



Kurt Attaway collected his second SLC Student-Athlete of the Year award a year ago.



Meagan Daniel became UTSA's first volleyball player to earn Student-Athlete of the Year honors last fall.



Women's Tennis

Baseball

Women's Indoor Track & Field

Bryan Wolfe swept both track & field awards for the second year in a row last season.