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UTSA FAST FACTS

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Location | San Antonio, Texas |
| Enrollment | 27,338 |
| Founded | 1969 |
| Nickname | Roadrunners |
| Colors | Orange (1655) and Blue (289) |
| Home Court | Convocation Center |
| Capacity | 5,100 |
| Conference | Southland |
| Affiliation | NCAA Division I |
| Athletic Director | Lynn Hickey |
| Alma Mater | Ouachita Baptist/1973 |
| President | Dr. Ricardo Romo |
| Alma Mater | Texas/1967 |
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| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
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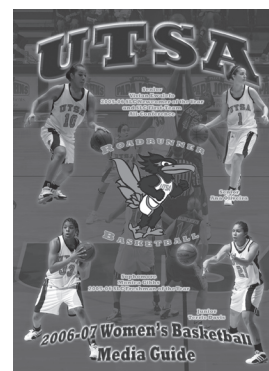
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HISTORY FAST FACTS

First Year of Basketball 1981-82
 Overall All-Time Record 338-348
 Overall SLC All-Time Record 112-136
 NCAA Appearances None
 WNIT Appearances Preseason WNIT/2004

TEAM FAST FACTS

2005-06 Record 18-12
 2005-06 SLC Record 11-5/3rd
 2006 SLC Tournament Conference Finals
 Starters returning/lost 3/2
 Letterwinners R/L 6/8
 Newcomers 3
 Runners By Class Senior (2)
 Junior (2)
 Sophmores (4)



On the Front Cover: Seniors Vivian Ewalefo (SLC Newcomer of the Year) and Ana Oliveira, sophomore Monica Gibbs (SLC Freshman of the Year) and junior Terrie Davis

Credits

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2006-07 Schedule



| Date | Opponent | Location | Time (CT) |
|----------------|--|--------------------|---------------|
| Nov. 5 | Dallas Diesel (Exhibition Game) | San Antonio | 2 p.m. |
| Nov. 10 | at Texas Tech | Lubbock | 7 p.m. |
| Nov. 12 | at SMU | Dallas | 5 p.m. |
| Nov. 17 | at UTEP | El Paso | 8:05 p.m. |
| Nov. 19 | at New Mexico State | Las Cruces, N.M. | 1 p.m. |
| Nov. 24 | LSU vs. Tulsa ! | San Antonio | 5 p.m. |
| | Eastern Washington ! | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Nov. 25 | Eastern Washington vs. LSU ! | San Antonio | 2 p.m. |
| | Tulsa ! | San Antonio | 4 p.m. |
| Dec. 2 | at Arkansas-Little Rock | Little Rock, Ark. | 7 p.m. |
| Dec. 8 | Cal State Bakersfield | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Dec. 20 | vs. Purdue # | Las Vegas, Nev. | 7 p.m. |
| Dec. 21 | Boise State/UNLV # | Las Vegas, Nev. | 7/9:30 p.m. |
| Dec. 29 | Kent State vs. Kentucky ^ | San Antonio | 5 p.m. |
| | Memphis ^ | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Dec. 30 | Kentucky vs. Memphis^ | San Antonio | 5 p.m. |
| | Kent State ^ | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 6 | at Lamar * | Beaumont | 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 11 | Central Arkansas * | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 13 | Northwestern State * | San Antonio | 2 p.m. |
| Jan. 18 | at Texas-Arlington * | Arlington | 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 20 | Texas State * | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 27 | at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi * | Corpus Christi | noon |
| Feb. 1 | Sam Houston State * | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Feb. 3 | at Stephen F. Austin * | Nacogdoches | 6 p.m. |
| Feb. 10 | at Nicholls State * | Thibodaux, La. | 2 p.m. |
| Feb. 12 | at Southeastern Louisiana * | Hammond, La. | 7 p.m. |
| Feb. 15 | Texas-Arlington * | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Feb. 17 | at Texas State * | San Marcos | 2 p.m. |
| Feb. 22 | McNeese State * | San Antonio | 7 p.m. |
| Feb. 24 | Texas A&M-Corpus Christi * | San Antonio | 6 p.m. |
| March 1 | at Sam Houston State * | Huntsville | 7 p.m. |
| March 3 | Stephen F. Austin * | San Antonio | 6 p.m. |
| March 6-10 | SLC Tournament | Houston | TBA |

*All home games will be played at the UTSA Convocation Center • ! UTSA Thanksgiving Classic • # Duel in the Desert Tournament • ^ Wells Fargo New Year's Classic • * SLC games*



2006-07 UTSA Women's Basketball Roster



Numerical Roster

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Yr.-Exp. | Hometown (Last School) |
|-----|----------------|------|-----|----------|--|
| 1 | Ana Oliveira | G/F | 5-9 | Sr.-3L | Eixo, Portugal (Clube de Povo de Esgueira) |
| 4 | Regan Burks | F | 6-0 | Fr.-HS | Abilene, Texas (Abilene Wylie) |
| 10 | Vivian Ewalefo | F | 6-0 | Sr.-1L | Las Vegas, Nev. (Barton County CC) |
| 14 | Andrea Garcia | G | 5-5 | So.-1L | Mathis, Texas (Mathis) |
| 15 | Ashtien McNeil | F | 5-9 | Fr.-HS | Bastrop, Texas (Bastrop) |
| 21 | Terrie Davis | G | 5-8 | Jr.-2L | Houston, Texas (Spring Woods) |
| 23 | Lynsey Freeman | G | 5-9 | Fr.-HS | Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman) |
| 24 | Amanda Foster | F | 6-3 | Jr.-TR | Utica, Kan. (Oklahoma State) |
| 30 | Kara McKay | F/G | 6-0 | So.-1L | Rush Springs, Okla. (Rush Springs) |
| 32 | Courtney Laing | F | 6-1 | Fr.-HS | Abilene, Texas (Abilene Wylie) |
| 33 | Monica Gibbs | G | 5-8 | So.-1L | Stillwater, Okla. (Stillwater) |
| 34 | Tia Bogan | F | 6-1 | So.-RS | Livingston, Texas (Livingston) |
| 42 | Ashley Freeman | G | 5-9 | Fr.-HS | Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman) |

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Pronunciation Chart

Vivian Ewalefo - El-a-foe

Ana Oliverira - O-le-vare-a

Lubomyr Lichonczak - Li-kon-zak



UTSA Host Institution



The NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Basketball Committees announced the 2007 Men's South Regional that San Antonio and the Alamodome have been chosen as the sites for the 2008 Men's and 2010 Women's Final Fours. The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) will serve as the host institution for all of these NCAA championship events.

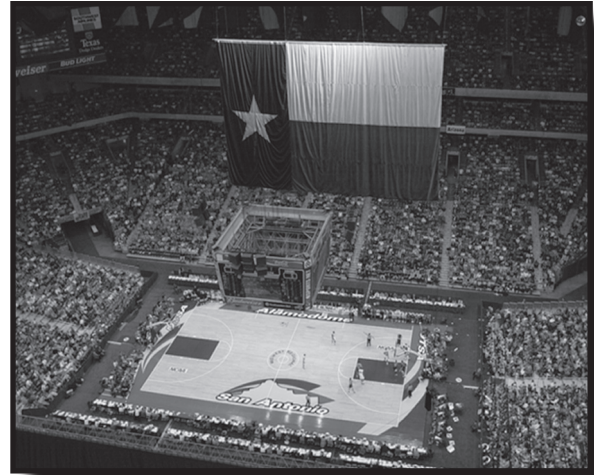
"For the NCAA to reward San Antonio with two more Final Four's is spectacular," said UTSA Athletic Director Lynn Hickey. "It's a testament to the strong local organizing committee of the City of San Antonio and the Alamodome, Sports Foundation and UTSA that we have been able to work together over the years to make this a premier site for future events. We are a proven commodity when it comes to hosting these types of prestigious events and obviously the NCAA feels the same way."

San Antonio, which hosted the 2004 Men's Final Four, was one of four cities chosen to host future Men's Final Fours through 2011, and will also host a men's regional in 2007. Other venues selected to host include Ford Field in Detroit, Mich. in 2009, the RCA Dome in Indianapolis, Ind. in 2010 and Reliant Stadium in Houston in 2011.

In addition to San Antonio hosting the 2010 Women's Final Four, other years were awarded to the St. Pete Times Forum in Tampa, Fla. in 2008, and the Edward Jones Dome in St. Louis, Mo. in 2009.

The events add to a growing list of NCAA championship events to visit the Alamo City in recent years. San Antonio has hosted past Men's Final Four's in 1998 and 2004, and a Women's Final Four in 2002. The Alamodome has also played host to Men's Basketball Regional Championships in 1997, 2001 and 2003. In addition to the future Final Fours, San Antonio will have hosted the 2005 NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball Championships and the 2006 Women's Basketball San Antonio Regional. When the clock strikes April, 2010, San Antonio will have hosted 11 NCAA championship events over a 13-year period, and that's if no future events are added to the slate.

"I believe San Antonio's success is due in large part to the unity of our SALOC team. UTSA, the City and the Sports Foundation work as one unit when we bid for these major NCAA events," said Dr. Susan Blackwood, executive director of the San Antonio Sports Foundation. "The NCAA has confidence that SALOC will work together to host spectacular Final Four championships."



UTSA's Championship Legacy

Host institution for

- 1997 Men's Basketball Midwest Regional
- 1998 Men's Final Four
- 1998 Men's Golf Central Regional
- 2001 Men's Basketball Midwest Regional
- 2002 Women's Final Four
- 2003 Men's Basketball South Regional
- 2004 Men's Final Four
- 2005 Women's Volleyball Championship
- 2006 Women's Basketball San Antonio Regional
- 2007 Men's Basketball San Antonio Regional
- 2008 Men's Final Four
- 2010 Women's Final Four





Convocation Center

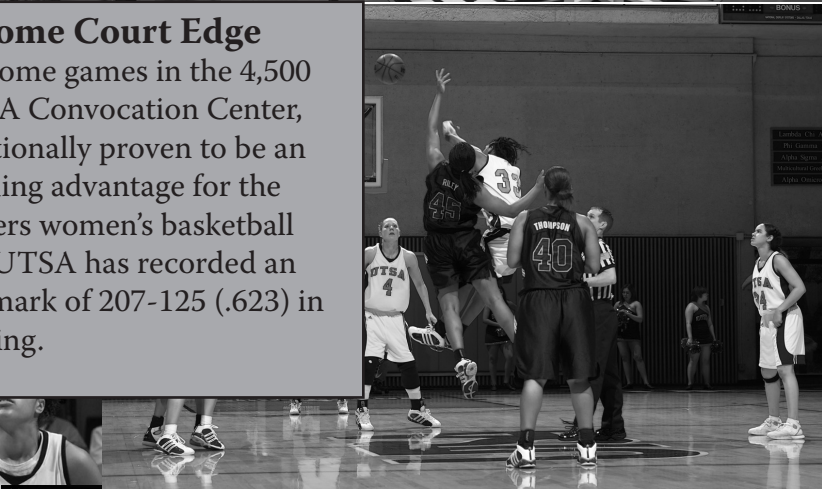


UTSA Convocation Center (The Bird Cage)

- ✓ Built in 1975.
- ✓ Features a permanent maple hardwood court which measures 17,900 square feet.
- ✓ Home to the UTSA women's volleyball, and men and women basketball teams since 1981.
- ✓ Hosted the 1993 United States Olympic Festival Volleyball Tournament, 1998 RCECA World Volleyball Championships, 2002 WBCA All-Star Game and 2004 Nike Hoop Summit.



Home Court Edge
 Playing home games in the 4,500 seat UTSA Convocation Center, has traditionally proven to be an outstanding advantage for the Roadruners women's basketball team, as UTSA has recorded an all-time mark of 207-125 (.623) in the building.





UTSA Weight Room



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



UTSA Wellness and Recreation Center



Writing an injured teammate's number on your shoes.
 The state smell of bad road food.
 Pre-game chants in the tunnel.
 Acknowledging a great pass.
 The state smell of bad road food.
 Pre-game chants in the tunnel.
 Recognizing that your team don't even know.
 Senior night.
 Carpooling to practice.
 Hanging out after the game.
 Summer league.
 Cards on the bus.
 Backside help on defense.
 An encouraging word during a timeout.
 A laugh from the bench.
 A victory dance.
 JUST DO IT.

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 Basketball program**

UTSA



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.

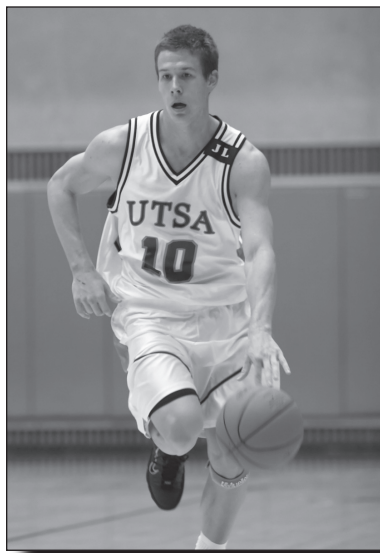
Last year, three UTSA student-athletes collected four awards: junior Kurt Attaway (men’s basketball), junior Meagan Daniel (volleyball) and senior Bryan Wolfe (indoor and outdoor track & field). Attaway and Wolfe collected awards for the second consecutive year, while Daniel was a first-time honoree. 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

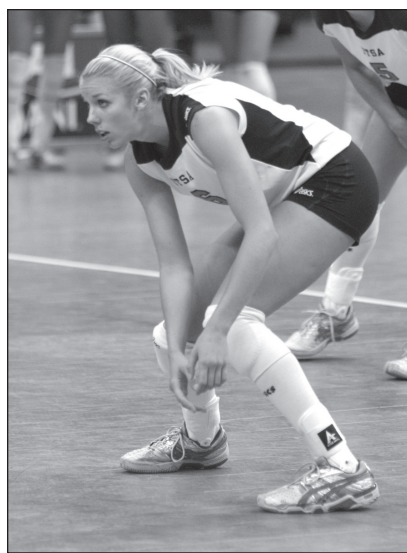
| UTSA Southland Conference Student-Athlete of the Year Honorees | |
|---|------------------------------|
| 2005-06 (4) | |
| Kurt Attaway | Men’s Basketball |
| Meagan Daniel | Volleyball |
| Bryan Wolfe | Men’s Indoor Track & Field |
| Bryan Wolfe | Men’s Outdoor Track & Field |
| 2004-05 (8) | |
| 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 |
| 2002-03 (3) | |
| Svenja Fuhrig | Women’s Tennis |
| Katie Poindexter | Women’s Indoor Track & Field |
| Mike Spr | Baseball |

two seasons. The final component is the service requirement, for which the winner must have demonstrated significant contribution to the campus or community through service.

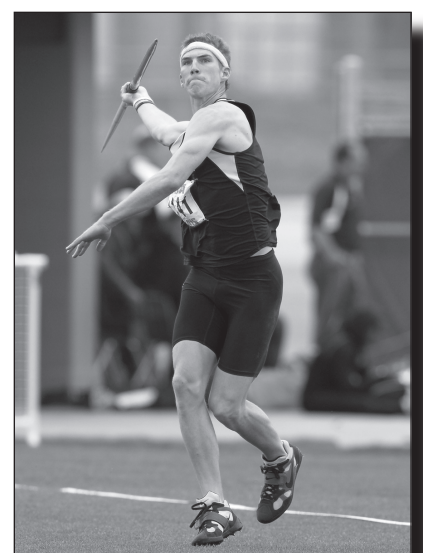
Additionally, UTSA has had four Academic All-Americans since 2004, nine *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District VI honorees the past two years and 29 academic all-conference selections the last two seasons.



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.



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



Roadrunners Off The Court

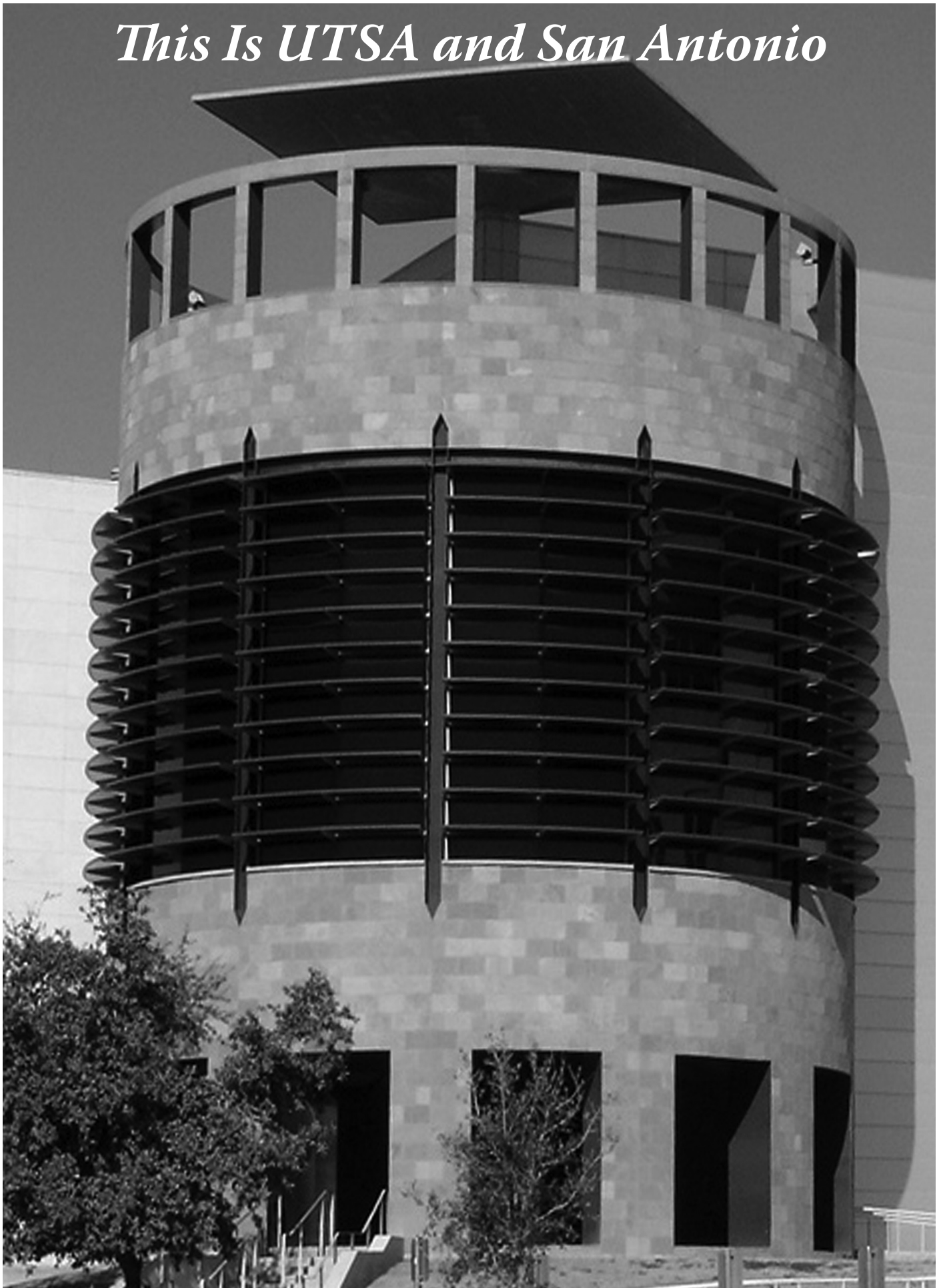


The UTSA women's basketball program puts forth its best efforts on the court and in the classroom, but also in the community as well. Year in and year out, the Roadrunners make appearances at the Methodist Children's Hospital, help with Roadrunner move in days and the Read Along Program at Reagan High School.



UTSA

This Is UTSA and San Antonio





This Is UTSA



In 1969, San Antonio was a 250-year-old 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



The Main Building

business administration, education, bicultural-bilingual studies, English as a second language, environmental management, Spanish, 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 on-



The University Center at the 1604 Campus



This Is UTSA



site 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



UTSA Downtown Campus

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 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



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



This Is UTSA



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.



A shot of UTSA's downtown campus

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

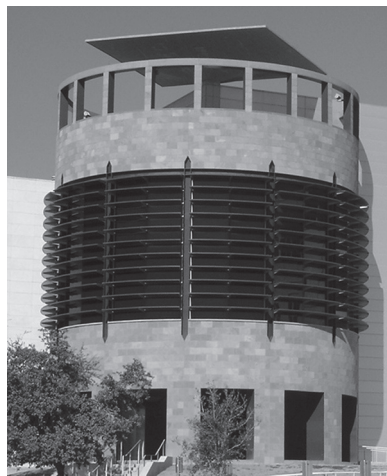
UTSA: Making an Impact on the Community

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



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

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 San Diego Padres. 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



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 Quaid 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 of 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.



This Is UTSA Spirit

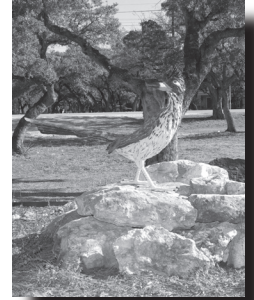


The School Colors

Official colors for The University 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 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 Alma Mater

Music to "Hail UTSA" the alma mater of the University 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 Division of English, Classics and philosophy at UTSA.

"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.



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)

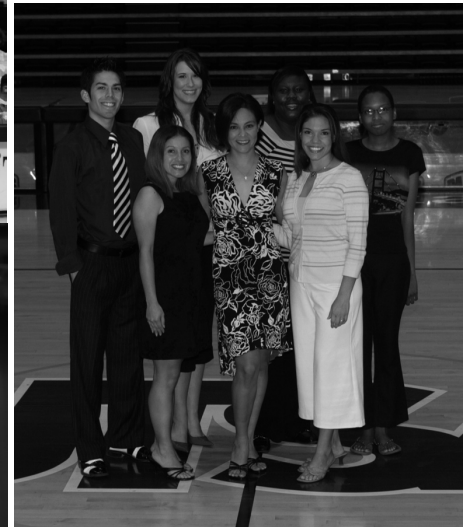




UTSA Cheer/Dance

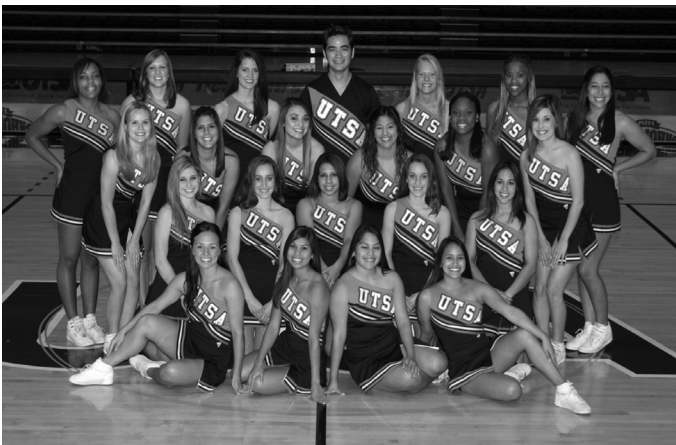


The Cheer and Dance Staff



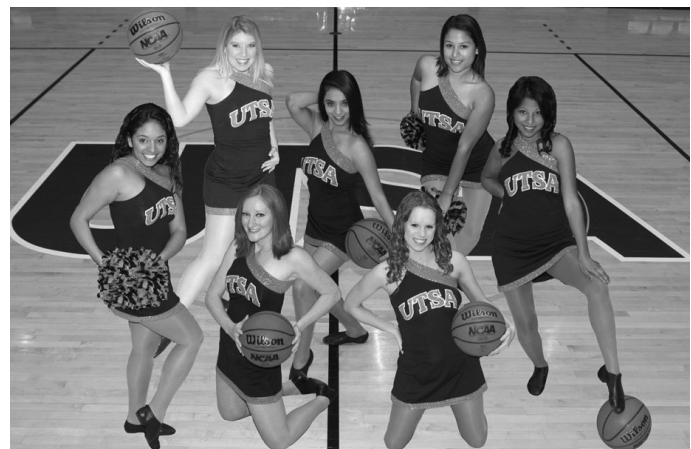
Back Row (L to R): Daniel Bernal (Mascot Coordinator), Brooks Kahlic (Mascot Coordinator), Katrina Ware (Music/Manager) and Krystal Williams (Manager), Front Row (L to R): Monica Perez (Volunteer Assistant), Melissa Martinez (Head Cheer and Dance Coach) and Nicole M. Nava (Assistant Cheer Coach)

2006-07 Cheer Team



Front Row (L to R): Anna Gross, Marleny Martinez, Delissa Uresti, Stephanie Maldonado. 2nd Row (L to R): Danielle Sauber, Lauren Mirakian, Denise De La Garza, Ashley Mirakian, Lyndi Gutierrez. 3rd Row (L to R): Amber Sutton, Victoria De La Garza, Miranda Rangel, Jessica Chavez-captain, Shun-Taye Williams, Serina Sanchez. 4th Row (L to R): Treshayla Wilson -co-captain, Ashley Hext, Cecily Farmer, Gibran Solis, Brittany Modisette, (left team), Denise Cabello.

2006-07 Dance Team



Front Row (L to R): Ashley Starkweather -co-captain and Lisa Colwell
Middle Row (L to R): Nikita Bhappu, Rochelle Banuet and Crystal Esquivel
Back Row (L to R): Courtnie Mercer-co-captain and Amanda Gonzales



Media Information



Media Coverage

The UTSA Sports Information office assists members of the media with their coverage of all Roadrunners sports by providing player and coach interviews, feature ideas, pregame notes and updated statistics. In addition to the 2006-07 women's basketball media guide, media members may check UTSA's official athletics Web site — *goUTSA.com* — for the latest information on all the department's 16 sports.

Interviews

All interviews with coaches and student-athletes must be arranged at least 24 hours in advance by contacting soccer contact Carlos Valdez. Telephone interviews are available to the media on a "call-back" basis at a time that is convenient for the coach or student-athlete. Post-match interviews with coaches and players will be conducted on the field following a 10-minute "cooling off" period. The Roadrunners locker room is closed to the media.

Media Services

Media members are encouraged to contact the UTSA Sports Information Office photography and media

credentials at least 24 hours before a home game. Credentials can be picked up with proper photo identification at the ticket pass table inside the convocation center. A fax machine also is available in the UTSA Sports Information Office. That number is 210/458-4569.

Practices

UTSA welcomes all media to attend soccer practices during the season. Please call the Sports Information office for practice times and requests for interviews. In most cases, coaches and student-athletes are available before and after practice. Pre-game practices are closed to the media.

Internet

Fans and media members can keep up with the latest information on all 16 UTSA sports on the official Web site for Roadrunners Athletics at *goUTSA.com*. You will find match recaps, box scores, updated statistics, weekly notes, player and coach biographies, schedules, rosters, archives, photos and play-by-play coverage of most basketball games.

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Stephens is in his first year as sports information director after serving three years as assistant sports information director at UTSA.

Stephens will oversee day-to-day operations of the sports information office and media relations for all 16 of the department's intercollegiate sports and continue to serve as editor of the official athletics web site, www.goUTSA.com.

He was the assistant media liaison for the 2004 NCAA Men's Final Four and the 2005 NCAA Women's Volleyball Championship and will be the local media coordinator for the 2006 Women's Basketball Regional.

Stephens came to UTSA in October 2003 after serving as a media relations assistant at the University of Texas from 2001-03. There he was the primary contact for the men's and women's track and field programs and the secondary contact for men's basketball, as well as helping with the daily media operations with the football team. Stephens also was the co-editor for the home football game programs and served as media director for the 2003 Big 12 Outdoor Track and Field Championships and as assistant media director for the 2002 and 2003 Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays.

Stephens was a sports information graduate assistant at Texas A&M from 1998-2001. There he helped coordinate publicity for the men's and women's cross country and track and field teams, as well as assisting with media services for all home football, basketball, soccer and baseball events.

A native of Kountze, Texas, Stephens earned his bachelor's degree in kinesiology with an emphasis in sport management from Texas A&M in 1998. He has worked more than 10 NCAA events and four bowl games, including the "Snow Bowl" — the 2000 Independence Bowl overtime thriller between Mississippi State and Texas A&M. He is a member of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). Twelve of his publications have been honored by CoSIDA, including four as Best In The Nation.



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Hernandez is in his first year as associate sports information director at UTSA. Hernandez is the primary media relations contact for the Roadrunners' baseball and volleyball teams and also serves as the editor of the school's official athletics Web site, www.goUTSA.com.

He has more than five years of sports information experience, with stops at the University of Texas-Austin (2000-2003), California State University-Fresno (2000) and Kansas State University (1998-1999). Prior to his arrival at UTSA, Hernandez spent the previous three years managing a private business in Kansas City, Mo.

The 32-year-old native of Olathe, Kan., has worked multiple conference and NCAA Championship events in addition to four bowl games. He is a member of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) and several of his publications have been honored for excellence by CoSIDA, including the 2000 Fresno State baseball game program, which was tabbed "Best In The Nation."

Hernandez began his tenure at UT-Austin in June 2000 as a media relations assistant. In that role, he was the primary contact for the Longhorns' men's track & field team and secondary contact for UT's nationally-ranked football program. He also served as the assistant media director for the 74th Annual Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays. A year later, he was promoted to assistant media relations director and was instrumental in the department's launch of www.MackBrown-Texas-Football.com in August 2001.

He arrived in Austin after serving as a media relations assistant at Fresno State in spring 2000. Hernandez coordinated the day-to-day publicity of the Bulldogs' nationally-ranked baseball and women's soccer squads. He also was the media director for the 22nd annual Pepsi/Johnny Quik Baseball Classic.

At Kansas State, Hernandez was responsible for the publicity of Wildcats' rowing team and also assisted with media relations for all home football, basketball and baseball games. He earned his bachelor's degree in print journalism with an emphasis in business administration from K-State in December 1999.



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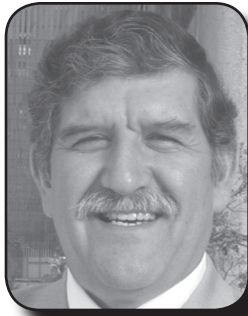
Valdez is in his second year as assistant sports information director at UTSA. He will also serve as the primary SID contact for women's soccer, men's and women's golf and men's and women's tennis.

Valdez, a graduate of UTSA in 2003, returns to his alma mater after a short stint at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington from 2003-04. He served as the primary contact for the women's soccer and basketball, softball and volleyball programs at UNCW.

Valdez returned to his hometown of Laredo, Texas, where he worked for a custom brokering firm from Oct. 2004-Aug. 2005, before returning to the UTSA Athletic Department.

While working on his undergrad at UTSA, Valdez worked as a student-assistant in the sports information department. He helped with all home events and served as the primary softball contact from 2002-2003. He was a media relations assistant for several NCAA events, including the 2001 and 2003 NCAA Men's Basketball Regionals, 2002 NCAA Women's Final Four, 2005 NCAA Volleyball Championship and the 2006 NCAA Women's Regional.

Valdez received his bachelor's degree in communications from UTSA in May of 2003.



Dr. Ricardo Romo *University President*

One of the most decorated athletes in San Antonio history, Dr. Ricardo Romo returned to his roots and is making UTSA one of the most highly-regarded universities in the region.

In February 2002, President George W. Bush appointed Romo to serve on the 21-member President's Board of Advisers on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. The group advises the President on issues and challenges facing many of the country's historically black institutions of higher education, including an expanding need at all institutions for additional scholarships.

Romo was inducted into the San Antonio Sports Hall of Fame on Oct. 8, 2001 along with former UTSA Athletics Director Rudy Davalos, Robert Quiroga, Charley Parker and Nelson Wolff.

Beginning his eighth year as the President of the University of Texas at San Antonio, Romo has made education a top priority. Under Romo's direction, UTSA ranks fourth nationally among U.S. colleges and universities in the number of bachelor's degrees to Hispanic graduates, according to a survey by *Hispanic Outlook* magazine.

Romo holds a master's degree in history from Loyola Marymount University and a doctorate in history from the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA).

He began his university teaching career at California State University at Northridge, then taught at UC San Diego. In 1980, Romo returned to his undergraduate institution, the University of Texas at Austin, to teach history. Before he assumed the UTSA presidency, he served as vice provost for undergraduate education at UT.

Romo has earned national respect as an urban historian and



President Romo speaking at the 2006 UTSA Sports Banquet

is best known for his 1983 book, *East Los Angeles: History of a Barrio*. Now in its eighth printing, the book details the growth of the largest Mexican-American community in the United States and describes its



Dr. Romo with Members of the 2001 San Antonio Sports Hall of Fame, from left to right: Robert Quiroga, Rudy Davalos and Nelson Wolff.

contribution to Southern California's early 20th-century development.

From 1987-93, Romo directed the Texas office of the Tomas Rivera Center, housed at Trinity University in San Antonio. The Center is a national organization that evaluates the impact of governmental policies on Latinos.

As an athlete, Romo gained fame while competing for San Antonio Fox Tech High School. He won the mile at the University Interscholastic League (UIL) Class 4A state meet as a junior and senior in 1961 and '62. He also won the 1961 UIL Cross Country Championship.

Romo won the mile run at the 1964 and '66 Southwest Conference Track and Field Championships and became the first Texan to run a mile in less than four minutes, clocking a time of 3:58.8 at a meet in Los Angeles. He earned All-America honors in 1966 and finished third in the mile at the NCAA Championships. He also earned a bronze medal in the mile for the U.S. Track & Field Team at the Commonwealth Games.

Romo met his wife, Harriett, when they were students at UT-Austin, where she earned an undergraduate degree in elementary education. She holds a doctorate in sociology and is a UTSA associate professor of sociology.

Their son, Carlos, graduated from Stanford University in 1999 and their daughter, Anadelia, is a doctoral candidate at Harvard University.



Lynn Hickey *UTSA Athletics Director*



Lynn Hickey has made student-athlete welfare one of her top priorities as she continues to work to bring the UTSA Athletics Department to the upper echelon of the NCAA Division I standings.

Under Hickey's direction the last seven years, UTSA has claimed two Southland Conference all-sports championships while consistently winning both team and individual awards in all 16 sports sponsored by the university. In fall 2004, the department announced the addition of two new sports, women's golf (began competition in 2005-06) and women's soccer, which begins play this fall.

Hickey has led the charge for UTSA and its hosting of numerous NCAA Championship events. UTSA has served as host institution for the 2001 NCAA Men's Basketball Midwest Regional, the 2002 Women's Final Four, the 2003 Men's Basketball South Regional, the 2004 Men's Final Four, the 2005 Women's Volleyball Championship and the 2006 Women's Basketball South Regional. This year, the university will host the 2007 Men's Basketball South Regional. Future championship events include the 2008 Men's Final Four and the 2010 Women's Final Four. When the calendar is turned to 2010, UTSA will have hosted 11 NCAA Championship events in a 13-year period.

Hickey has been honored nationally for her hard work at UTSA. She was named the National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators 2005 Division I-AAA Administrator of the Year. Hickey earned her second national award in June 2006 as the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA)/GeneralSports TURF Systems Division I-AAA West Region AD of the Year (ADOY). She also was selected to and completed the Masters Leadership Program of San Antonio and Bexar County.

"UTSA is very fortunate to have an athletic leader with both the administrative and coaching experience of Lynn Hickey," UTSA President Dr. Ricardo Romo said. "Lynn not only is a leader who can take our athletic program to the next level, but she is also well respected nationally and serves as an excellent role model for all student-athletes at this university."

In serving as the fourth athletics director in UTSA history, Hickey assumed the lead athletics role at one of the youngest NCAA Division I universities in the country (UTSA began athletic competition in 1981). The only female Division I athletics director that oversees both men's and women's sports in the state of Texas, she served as President of the Southland Conference in 2002-04 and currently is the SLC's representative to the NCAA Championship/Competition Cabinet.

"It has been an exciting seven years," said Hickey, who served on the Women's Basketball Rules Committee the last four years, the last two as Chair. "We have made some good strides to bring the program to prominence nationally. San Antonio is an outstanding city and is a tremendous asset to the unlimited potential of the UTSA athletics program."

Hickey came to San Antonio from Texas A&M University, where she served as senior associate athletic director/senior woman administrator since 1994. At Texas A&M, her responsibilities included event management and marketing and promotions for 16 of the university's 19 Division I sports. She also represented the Big 12 Conference as a member of the NCAA Championship Cabinet.

From 1984-94, Hickey served as head women's basketball coach for Texas A&M. She directed the 1993-94 Aggies basketball team to the NCAA Tournament Sweet 16, becoming the lowest-seeded team to ever reach that milestone. Texas A&M finished the year ranked No. 19 in the CNN/USA Today Top 25 poll. Following the season, Hickey relinquished her coaching duties to accept the promotion to senior associate athletic director. She finished her coaching career with an overall mark of 279-167 in 15 years of collegiate coaching.

Before her stint at A&M, Hickey was head women's basketball coach at Kansas State University from 1979-84. She averaged more than 23 wins per season in posting a 125-39 (.762) record over five years and led the Wildcats to five consecutive NCAA Tournament berths. She was inducted into the Kansas State Athletics Hall of Fame in September 2004.

A native of Welch, Okla., Hickey graduated summa cum laude from Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Ark., with a bachelor's degree in education. She was an All-American for OBU's nationally-ranked basketball team and a member of the USA National Team in 1973.

Hickey and her husband, Bill, have one daughter, Lauren Nicole.



In seven years as athletics director, Lynn Hickey has helped UTSA work its way toward the upper echelon of NCAA Division I. By 2010, UTSA will have hosted 11 NCAA Championship events in a 13-year period.



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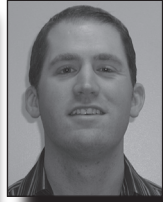
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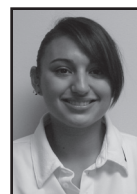
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Season Outlook



U TSA begins its 26th season of basketball in 2006-07 with head coach Rae Rippetoe-Blair back for her seventh season at the helm. With seven letterwinners back and a promising recruiting class on campus, the winningest coach in school history has many reasons to be optimistic about the squad she will put on the floor this season.

UTSA will look to build upon an 18-12 season in 2005-06 that ended with the program's second appearance in the Southland Conference (SLC) Tournament Championship Game in the past four years. The Roadrunners look to pick up where they left off last season, but with a different ending.

Despite the loss of three veteran players — Nicole Dunson, Lacy Mingee and Katie Sandefur — that combined for a total of 283 games played during their careers, Blair welcomes back an experienced ball club with seven letterwinners, headlined by 2005-06 SLC Newcomer of the Year Vivian Ewalefo, a senior forward from Las Vegas, Nev., and 2005-06 SLC Freshman of the Year Monica Gibbs, a sophomore point guard from Stillwater, Okla. That list also includes senior Ana Oliveira, junior Terrie Davis and sophomores Tia Bogan, Andrea Garcia and Kara McKay.

Joining the current Roadrunners are four freshmen — Regan Burks, Ashley Freeman, Lynsey Freeman and Courtney Laing — and senior Amanda Foster, a transfer from Oklahoma State who will sit out the 2006-07 season per the NCAA transfer rule.

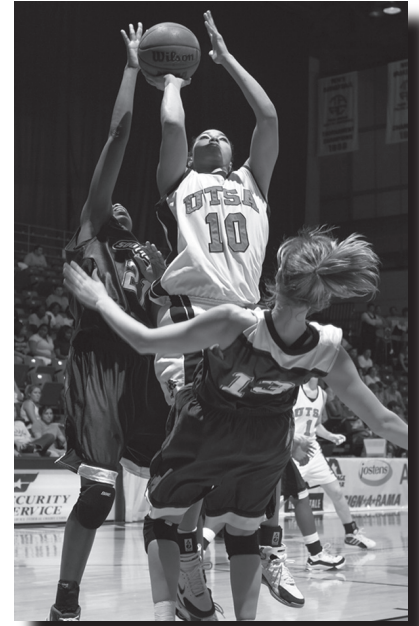


Senior Ana Oliveira played in 29 games, while making eight starts in 05-06.

The Frontcourt

With the losses of Mingee and Sandefur down low, Ewalefo is the only post player with playing experience heading into this season. She averaged a team best 12.2 points and 7.6 re-

bounds per game, while in conference play she upped her scoring to 15.3 points and 9.1 rebounds per game en route to earning SLC Newcomer of the Year and first-team All-SLC honors. Ewalefo led the team with seven double-doubles last season. She also hauled in 10 or more rebounds 17 times and scored in double figures 12 times, including 20 or more points in six contests last season.



Senior Vivian Ewalefo led the team in scoring 12.2 points per game and rebounding 7.6 per game.

A trio of post players looks to provide support for Ewalefo in the frontcourt. Redshirt sophomore Tia Bogan and freshmen Regan Burks and Courtney Laing should see plenty of playing time this season.

Bogan, a 6-0 forward, missed all of last season due to a leg injury. The Livingston native appeared in 11 contests during the 2004-05 season, averaging 2.5 points per game. She dropped in a career-high 17 points against Prairie View A&M that season.

A pair of high school teammates from Wylie High — Burks and Laing — will split playing time in the post. Burks, a 6-0 forward, lettered four years at Wylie, where she helped her team to a runner-up finish in the state finals a year ago. She received all-tournament honors at the Polk-Key City and Catclaw tournaments.

Laing, a 6-1 power forward, averaged 14.4 points and 8.0 rebounds per game during her senior year. She was a three-time first-team all-district selection for the Bulldogs and a two-time TABC/TGCA all-star member. In 2006, she was named to the *Texas Basketball Magazine* All-State Team.

Foster played in 27 games as a junior at Oklahoma State last season, posting 2.6 points and 2.6 rebounds



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per game for the Cowgirls. She was also a Junior College All-American at Seward Community College.

The Backcourt

Despite the loss of sharpshooter Nicole Dunson, UTSA returns a plethora of guards, including SLC Freshman of the Year Monica Gibbs. She made 22 starts in 28 games played last season, leading the team in assists with 4.9 per game, which ranked second in the league. Gibbs was second on the team with 7.1 rebounds per game and ranked fifth on the squad with 7.1 points per game.

Junior Terrie Davis steps into the shooting guard role this season. She has plenty of game experience with 28 starts last season. Davis ranked second on the team with 39 3-pointers and averaged a career-high 7.8 points per game, while in conference play she upped her scoring to 8.9 points per game. Currently, Davis stands eighth in school history with 59 career 3-pointers.

Senior Ana Oliveira will provide an offensive boost this season for the Roadrunners. Last season, the Eixo, Portugal, native saw action in 29 games, while making eight starts. She averaged 10.9 minutes per game and averaged 1.5 points per contest.

Also looking to see playing time are sophomores Andrea Garcia and Kara McKay.

Garcia saw limited action during the 2005-06 season. She played in 17 games, including eight during SLC play. McKay played in 20 games and averaged 1.5 points per game last season.



Sophomore Monica Gibbs dished out a team best 138 assists and ranked second in the SLC averaging 4.9 assists per game

Twin sisters Ashley and Lynsey Freeman, who starred at Bishop Gorman High School in Las Vegas, will see action off the bench.

The Schedule

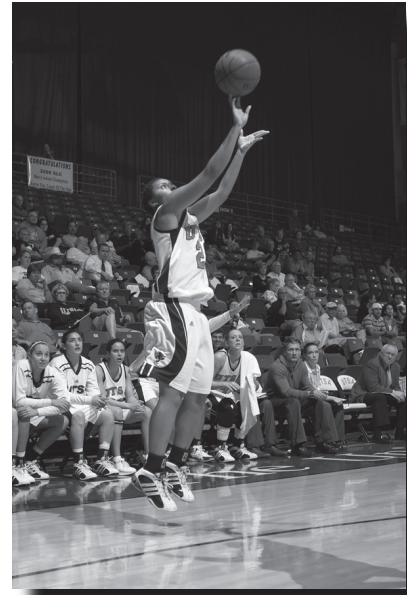
With one of the toughest non-conference slates in recent memory, UTSA plays in three holiday tournaments and has games against Big 12 Conference member Texas Tech, Big Ten Conference affiliate Purdue and four Conference USA schools (Memphis, SMU, Tulsa and UTEP).

The Roadrunners open the season with two exhibition games at home on Oct. 29 and Nov. 5) before officially tipping off the campaign with four consecutive road games: Texas Tech (Nov. 10), SMU (Nov. 12), UTEP (Nov. 17) and New Mexico State (Nov. 19).

UTSA returns to the Convocation Center for the UTSA Thanksgiving Classic on Nov. 24-25, with NCAA Final Four participant LSU, Tulsa and Eastern Washington comprising the field.

UTSA opens December at Arkansas-Little Rock (Dec. 2) and returns home to face Cal State Bakersfield on Dec. 8. The Runners then travel to Las Vegas for the Duel in the Desert Tournament, with Purdue, Boise State and UNLV completing the field. UTSA returns home to host the annual Wells Fargo New Year's Classic the last weekend of the year. Taking part in the classic will be Kent State, Kentucky and Memphis.

The Runners open Southland Conference play on Jan. 6 at Lamar, then host new SLC member Central Arkansas and Northwestern State on Nov. 11 and 13, respectively. UTSA hits the road for a single game



Junior Terrie Davis Averaged a career best 7.8 points per game.



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against Texas-Arlington on Nov. 18, then comes back to San Antonio to play I-35 rival Texas State two days later. UTSA opens February against Sam Houston State (Feb. 1), then travels to SLC Tournament Champion Stephen F. Austin two days later. The Runners make their only trip to Louisiana for a two-game road swing against Southeastern Louisiana (Feb. 8) and Nicholls State (Feb. 10). UTSA closes out the month by hosting three of its final four regular season games. This year's SLC Tournament will be played from March 7-10 at the Campbell Center in Houston.



Head Coach Rae-Rippetoe-Blair talks with her team during a timeout.

2006-07 SLC PRESEASON TEAM

First Team

| Name | Ht. | Cl. | Pos. | School | Hometown / Last School |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|----------|-------------|---|
| Terra Wallace | 5-7 | Sr. | G | UTA | Round Rock, Texas / Austin Leander HS |
| Vivian Ewalefo | 6-0 | Sr. | F | UTSA | Las Vegas, Nev. / Barton County CC |
| LaToya Carson | 5-9 | Sr. | G | Lamar | Long Beach, Miss. / Long Beach HS |
| Joyce Ekworomadu | 5-10 | Jr. | F | Texas State | Coppell, Texas / Coppell HS |
| Brenita Williams | 6-0 | Sr. | F | SLU | Cedar Hill, Texas / Lon Morris College |

Second Team

| Name | Ht. | Cl. | Pos. | School | Hometown / Last School |
|-----------------|------|-----|------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| Maryann Abanobi | 5-8 | Jr. | G | UTA | Sugar Land, Texas / Seagoville HS |
| Jamie Octave | 5-7 | Sr. | G | Nicholls State | St. James, La. / Donaldsonville HS |
| Ashley Bobb | 5-11 | Sr. | F | UTA | Garland, Texas / Texas Tech |
| Nikki Carr | 5-6 | Jr. | PG | SFA | Hawkins, Texas / Hawkins HS |
| Chassidy Jones | 5-10 | Sr. | G | NW State | Crowley, La. / Crowley HS |

2006-07 SLC Preseason Polls

Coaches Poll

EAST DIVISION

| | Points |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Southeastern Louisiana (8) | 62 |
| 2. Northwestern State (2) | 47 |
| 3. Lamar (2) | 39 |
| 4. McNeese State | 37 |
| 5. Nicholls State | 32 |
| 6. Central Arkansas | 29 |

WEST DIVISION

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|-----------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Texas-Arlington (7) | 62 |
| 2. Stephen F. Austin (3) | 51 |
| 3. UTSA (2) | 47 |
| 4. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi | 38 |
| 5. Texas State | 32 |
| 6. Sam Houston State | 16 |

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SID Poll

EAST DIVISION

| | Points |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Southeastern Louisiana (8) | 66 |
| 2. Northwestern State (1) | 50 |
| 3. Lamar (3) | 47 |
| 4. McNeese State | 44 |
| 5. Nicholls State | 24 |
| 6. Central Arkansas | 21 |

WEST DIVISION

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Texas-Arlington (5) | 60 |
| 2. Stephen F. Austin (4) | 54 |
| 3. UTSA (2) | 49 |
| 4. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi (1) | 45 |
| 5. Texas State | 31 |
| 6. Sam Houston State | 13 |