UTSA AND SAN ANTONIO







UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO

n 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 40 years ago. With a population of more than 1.2 million, San Antonio is the seventh-largest city in the United States and UTSA is among the fastest-growing universities in the nation with an enrollment of more than 28,500 students.

Today, UTSA is on its way to becoming one of the preeminent public research universities in Texas, a leader in research, education and public service. As an institution of access and excellence, it embraces multicultural traditions, serving as a center for intellectual and creative resources as well as a catalyst for socio-economic development for Texas, the nation and the world.

History

Governor Preston Smith founded the University of Texas at San Antonio on June 5, 1969. The university has come a long way in its first 40 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 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 office park. Master's degrees were offered in business administration, education, bicultural-bilingual studies, English as a second language, environmental management, Spanish, biology, mathematics and systems design.



The Main Building on the 1604 Campus

In 1973 construction began on UTSA's campus of 600 acres at the intersection of Interstate 10 and Loop 1604 near the northwestern edge of San Antonio. In 1975, with growing enrollment, the university established five colleges: Business, Fine and Applied Arts, Sciences and Mathematics, Humanities and Social Sciences and Multidisciplinary Studies. 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. UTSA's athletics teams also 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 facility, Chisholm Hall, opened. The Institute of Texan Cultures, a museum dedicated to the cultural groups that settled Texas, also became a part of UTSA during this period. Samuel A. Kirkpatrick became the school's fourth president in 1990.

The concept for a UTSA Downtown Campus emerged in 1989 when the Texas Legislature expanded higher education services into the South Texas border region.UTSA received \$71.5 million, with \$20 million designated for the creation of a downtown campus. The site selected for the Downtown Campus was the vacated Fiesta Mall. San Antonio restaurant chain Bill Miller Bar-B-Q Enterprises bought the property in 1993 and donated it to UTSA. In January 1994, with a permanent downtown campus under construction, the university offered classes at Cypress Tower on Main Street. Downtown enrollment exceeded 900 students in its first



The University Center on the 1604 Campus





Chaparral Village opened in 2004 and is home to more than 1,000 students. semester. Operations began at the Frio Street Building in 1997.

Other facilities constructed or opened during the 1990s included the Engineering-Biosciences Building, Business Building, a campus visitor center, and a computer lab. The University Center also tripled its original size during that time.

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 completed in the late 1990s and early 2000s include the Downtown Campus Durango Annex, home of the UTSA Institute for Economic Development; a \$19.3-million Recreation and Wellness Center; Child Development Center; the Main Building, a \$52 million facility on the 1604 Campus; and the \$23 million Margaret Batts Tobin Laboratory Building that will be used to study emerging infectious diseases.

Academic Strength

UTSA serves more than 28,500 students in 64 bachelor's, 44 master's and 20 doctoral degree programs in the colleges of Architecture, Business, Education and Human Development, Engineering, Honors, Liberal and Fine Arts, Public Policy, Sciences and in the Graduate School.

As the region's largest generator of engineers, artists, business professionals, teachers, scientists and technology managers, UTSA has produced more than 76,000 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 public research university and is the recruiting outstanding faculty and students and

forming 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. In 2000, UTSA offered four doctoral programs. In fall 2008 there will be 20, to include studies across disciplines in biology, computer science, chemistry, physics, environmental science, engineering, English, culture, education, business, applied statistics, applied demography, and anthropology.

Student Life

During the last five years, students at UTSA have supported the expansion of the University Center, the Recreation and Wellness Center, parking facilities and additional on-campus housing.

As the campus environment at UTSA continues to shift from commuter to residential, new student housing is coming on-line. Chaparral Village, a \$45 million, 1,000-bed housing complex, opened in 2004. In November 2006, construction began on the \$39,182,000 Laurel Village project. The first phase opened for the 2007-08 school year, with living quarters for 206 residents. In summer 2008, Phase II was completed with an additional 470 beds and a total project covering 185,000 square feet. The two complexes have increased on-campus residential housing to accommodate more than 3,600 students.

Expansion of the Roadrunner Café dining facility was completed in May 2008, and a new food services provider will bring Wendy's, Chick-fil-A, Panda Express, Taco Cabana and other dining options to campus during the 2008-09 academic year.

A full-service Starbucks opened at the University Center in Spring 2008. The forthcoming expansion of the University Center, scheduled to open in Fall 2008, adds seven new meeting rooms, a lounge, a ballroom and additional office space for student organizations.

A new phase of the Recreation and Wellness Center opened in Fall 2007. The \$45.7 million project renovated 14,505 square



The Student Recreation and Wellness Center.



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feet and added 124,710 square feet, housing a two-court gym, indoor track, weight room, lazy river, swimming pool and counseling center.

In Fall 2007, UTSA students approved an athletics fee referendum to support the expansion of the university's athletics programs. This is seen as a first step to the establishment of an NCAA Division I football team at UTSA. Additionally, the university will receive a portion of the city venue tax for the development of a new athletics complex on a 125-acre tract recently acquired near the 1604 campus.

UTSA currently sponsors 16 sports: baseball, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's golf, women's soccer, softball, men's and women's tennis, men's and women's indoor and outdoor track and field and volleyball. Since 1991, UTSA has been a member of the Southland Conference, which includes 12 member schools in Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas.

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 public research university. Though home to six universities, San Antonio remains the largest city in the nation without a major research university. UTSA is committed to filling that void by 2016.

In the 2007-08 academic year, the university had 586 tenured and tenure-track faculty positions and more than 630 non-tenure-track faculty. The university has 29 endowed positions, including 12 distinguished chairs that are endowed at \$1 million each. Research and sponsored program funds accounted for \$44 million in 2007.

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 2009, respectively, will add \$150 million in instructional and research space for undergraduate and graduate programs programs for these in-demand academic areas.

UTSA has also established the South Texas Center for Emerging Infectious Diseases. The center focuses research efforts on cholera, AIDS, SARS, Legionnaire's disease, Lyme disease and food-borne diseases, as well as microorganisms that may be used as biological weapons. The center has been of particular importance in light of the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

Additionally, cyber security has become a major area of research at UTSA. 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. CIAS continues to earn national support, with federal funding of \$6.4 million in 2008.

In 2004, UTSA became a major center for demographic research with the creation of the Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Research. State Demographer Steven Murdock moved to UTSA as the director of the institute. He was later selected by President George W. Bush to become the head of the United States Census Bureau. Karl Eschbach, who succeeded Murdock at the institute, now serves as state demographer.

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, such as the 2008 NCAA Men's Basketball Final Four and 2010 Women's Basketball Final Four. By the end of the 2009-10 academic year, UTSA will have hosted 11 NCAA Championship events in a 13-year period.

The university's 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.

The university's strategic plan, "UTSA 2016: A Shared Vision" creates a model for growth over the next eight years. Under this plan, the university will pursue five strategic initiatives to improve the value of a UTSA education and emerge as a premier research institution: Enriching Educational Experiences to Enable Student Success; Serving Society through Creativity, Expanded Research and Innovations; Promoting Access and Affordability; Serving the Public through Community Engagement; and Expanding Resources and Infrastructure.



A view of the San Antonio skyline from the Downtown Campus.

UTSA SPIRIT

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 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 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.

"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 AND DANCE













UTSA ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Il 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 successfully 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 Student-Athlete of the Year honors since the award's inception in 2002. During that time, 12 Roadrunners have combined to collect 18 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.

Jessica Rogers (softball) earned the award for the third time during her illustrious four-year career in 2006-07. That came on the heels of three UTSA student-athletes collecting four awards — junior Kurt Attaway (men's basketball), junior Meagan Daniel (volleyball) and senior Bryan Wolfe (indoor and outdoor track & field) — and 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

2006-07 (1)	
Jessica Rogers	<u>Softball</u>
2005-06 (4)	
Kurt Attaway	Men's Basketball
Meagan Daniel	<u>Volleyball</u>
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
Achley McDonald	Woman's Cross Country

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Student-Athlete of the Year Honorees

2003-04 (2)

Meghan Chance Women's Indoor Track & Field
Jessica Rogers Softball

Men's Indoor Track & Field

<u>Men's Outdoor Track & Field</u>

2002-03 (3)Women's TennisSvenja FuhrigWomen's TennisKatie PoindexterWomen's Indoor Track & FieldMike SrpBaseball

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 five Academic All-Americans, 20 *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District VI honorees and 57 Academic All-Southland Conference selections the last five academic years.

UTSA Team Academics

Jessica Rogers

Bryan Wolfe

Bryan Wolfe

Mission Statement

Team Academics was established in order to provide academic services for student-athletes. We provide the necessary academic support services for all student-athletes to be successful in the classroom and pursue an undergraduate degree while competing as an athlete. The center is dedicated to the academic and personal development of all student-athletes.

Consistent with the mission of the University of Texas at San Antonio, the Athletic Department is committed to provide an environment in which student-athletes can be successful academically, athletically and socially. In doing so, the Department dedicates itself to absolute compliance with the rules of the University of Texas System, the University, the Southland Conference and the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Vision Statement

The UTSA Athletic Department will be successful in its mission when ...

- · Student-athletes achieve academically and compete athletically at the highest level and are prepared with skills for life.
- · It achieves a level of social responsibility, honesty and integrity higher than is expected by the public and is required by laws, policies, guidelines and rules.
- · Athletics is the focal point for school identity, pride and spirit among students, faculty, staff, alumni and the surrounding community.
- The community benefits from public service, affordable entertainment and economic growth derived from athletics.







DR. RICARDO ROMO

ne of the most decorated athletes in San Antonio history, Dr. Ricardo Romo has returned to his roots and is making UTSA one of the most highlyregarded universities in the region.

Romo became the fifth president of The University of Texas at San Antonio in May 1999. As President, he leads one of the fastest growing institutions of higher education in Texas and the nation. UTSA, under his leadership, is now poised to be one of the state's next premier research universities.

Romo has led strategic efforts to enhance both access to education and excellence in scholarship and service at the University.

During his tenure, UTSA's enrollment has grown nearly 50 percent and the university has added numerous programs and facilities

to enhance student life. He also has implemented new student support programs designed to help students succeed at earning a university degree. The number of advisers has tripled and UTSA, with more than 28,500 students in 2007-08, is recognized as a leader in "Closing the Gaps," a statewide initiative by the Legislature to enroll more Texans in higher education.

A native of San Antonio's West Side, Romo graduated from Fox Tech High School and attended The University of Texas at Austin on a track scholarship. He served as captain of the track & field and cross country teams and earned All-America honors in 1966. Romo was the first Texan to run the mile in less than four minutes and his mark still stands as a university record. He earned a bachelor's degree in education.

Romo holds a master's degree in history from Loyola Marymount University and a Ph.D. in history from UCLA. A nationally respected urban historian, Romo is the author of *East Los Angeles: History of a Barrio*, which is now in its ninth printing (one in Spanish).



Dr. Romo was inducted into the San Antonio Sports Hall of in 2001. Joining Dr. Romo were (left to right): Robert Quiroga, Rudy Davalos and Nelson Wolff.



In 1980, President Romo returned to UT Austin to teach history before becoming a Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education.

In 2002, President Bush appointed him to the President's Board of Advisers on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Two years later, former Secretary of State Colin Powell appointed Romo as a U.S. representative to the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization. The following year, Romo was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, San Antonio branch and was reappointed in 2007. Romo currently serves as the Vice Chair.

He was honored by the UT Austin Friar Society as "Outstanding Friar Alumnus" in 2006. Romo was elected Chairman of the

Board for the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (the largest U.S. Hispanic Chamber organization) for 2006. In 2007, Governor Rick Perry appointed Romo to serve on the "Commission for College Ready Texas." He serves on nearly 20 boards, many of them in San Antonio and is active in several museum boards and is especially proud of his work with the United Way.

Romo is married to Dr. Harriett Romo, an associate professor of sociology at UTSA. She also serves as Director of UTSA's Mexico Center and works with the Child and Adolescent Policy Research Institute. They have one son, Carlos, who graduated from Stanford University and The University of Texas School of Law. Their daughter, Anadelia, attended Princeton as an undergraduate and received a doctoral degree from Harvard University and presently teaches at Texas State University.

Dr. Romo has received many honors during his academic career. One of the most recent recognitions was the Isabel la Catolica award, the highest award given to non-Spanish subjects, bestowed upon him by King Juan Carlos of Spain.



Dr. Romo speaking at the UTSA Athletics Banquet.

UTSA ATHLETIC DIRECTOR LYNN HICKEY

ynn 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 nine years, UTSA has claimed three Southland Conference all-sports championships while consistently winning both team and individual awards in all 16 sports sponsored by the university.

Hickey has led the charge for UTSA and its hosting of numerous NCAA Championship events. Since her arrival on campus, UTSA has served as host institution for the 2001 NCAA 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 South Regional, 2007 Men's Basketball South Regional and 2008 Men's Final Four and will host 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.

In 2007, Hickey was named to the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee, one of the most prestigious appointments in all of collegiate athletics. The 10-member committee oversees administration of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship, including the selection and seeding of teams for the tournament. Hickey became just the second female ever selected to the committee, joining UNC Charlotte Athletics Director Judy Rose, who served from 1999-2003.

 $Hickey\ has\ been\ honored\ nationally\ for\ her\ hard\ work\ at\ UTSA.$

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 from 2002-04 and as the SLC's representative to the NCAA Championship/Competition Cabinet.

"It has been an exciting nine years," said Hickey, who served on the Women's Basketball Rules Committee from 2003-06, 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.



Lynn Hickey with the 2008-09 Southland Conference Commissioner's Cup and Men's Trophy.



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SENIOR STAFF



Lynn Hickey Director of Athletics



Ross Cobb Associate AD/Business & Facility Operations



Elizabeth Dalton Associate AD/Internal Operations/SWA



Jerry Greeson Associate AD/ Athletic Medicine



Brad Parrott Associate AD/ External Affairs



Jim Sarra Associate AD/ External Operations

Administrative Staff



Kenneth Barnwell Athletics Business Manager



James Blackwood Track/Cross Country Meet Director



Rebel CampbellAdministrative Associate I



Robert Castillo Academic Advisor



Michael Cox Strength & Conditioning Coach



Josh Daume Assistant AD/Compliance



Brenna Ellis Associate Athletics Trainer



Denise Fitzpatrick Marketing Coordinator



Brian Fox Athletics Ticket Manager



Cari Goodyear Assistant AD/ Academic Services



Patrick Grant
Director of Athletics
Facilities



Andrew Haring
Director of Annual Fund



Brian Hernandez Associate Sports Information Director



Joseph Hernandez Athletics Training Intern



Bill Hickey Program Coordinator



Derrick Jenkins Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach



Dee Kennedy Athletics Learning Coordinator



Young Kim Athletics Training Intern



Keri Kreuzer Administrative Assistant I



Rhodie Moss Assistant Athletics Trainer



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Administrative
Associate II



Amanda Russell Accounting Clerk III



Kyle Stephens Sports Information Director



Carlos Valdez
Assistant Sports
Information Director

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Steve Ballard Soccer



Rae Rippetoe-Blair Women's Basketball



Erin Boisclair Women's Tennis



Carrie Cole Women's Golf



Lori Cook Softball



Sherman Corbett Baseball



Aaron Fox Track & Field/ Cross Country



John Knauer Men's Golf



Melissa Martinez Spirit Program Coordinator



Laura Neugebauer-Groff Volleyball



Brooks Thompson Men's Basketball



Dr. Oliver Trittenwein Men's Tennis

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Dr. Jorge Gomez Sports Medicine



Dr. Richard Holcomb Team Physician



Dr. David Schmidt Team Orthopedist

STUDENT TRAINERS



Krystal Cervantes



Daniele Delgado



Kisha Dorsey



Natalie Fowler



Liz Powers



Yoneida Sanchez



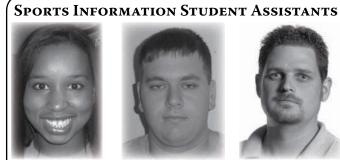
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Luis Villarreal



Veronica Walker



Arielle Andres



James Pelech



Greg Ruder





THE CITY OF 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.

A favorite of tourists, the "Alamo City" has kept its small-town feel while becoming the seventh-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

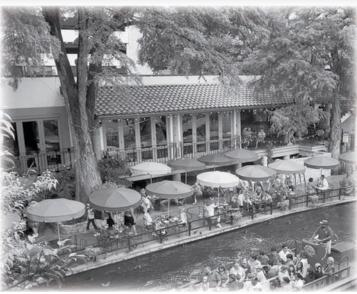
ranks among the lowest in cost of living for metropolitan areas with at least one million people. A 1998 survey showed it as 10 percent below the national average. San Antonio also is a young city. The median age of its citizens is 32 years old, which is younger than the national average (32.6).

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 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 Alamodome was the site for the 2008 NCAA Men's Final Four and is the future site for the 2010 NCAA Women's Final Four.



The River Walk is one of San Antonio's main tourist attractions.

The city also hosts concerts by all styles of music. Musicians perform at the Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre, while Broadway touring productions perform at the Majestic Theatre.

San Antonio is also a sports town. It is the home of the four-time NBA World Champion Spurs (1999, 2003, 2005, 2007) and four professional sports franchises 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's Silver Stars, who opened play in 2003.

The city also hosts the Valero 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, 2004 and 2008 Men's Final Four and 2002 Women's Final Four, four NCAA Men's Basketball Regionals (1997, 2001, 2003, 2007), the 2005 NCAA Women's Volleyball Championship and the 1998 and 2007 Big 12 Conference Football Championship Game.

The 2010 Women's Final Four will take place at the facility and, by 2010, the city will have hosted 11 NCAA Championships events in a 13-year period.



The Alamo is the top tourist attraction in San Antonio and is one of the state's most important historical landmarks.

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 San Antonio 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 and averaged nearly 63,000 fans per contest, including a facility-record 65,562 against the Atlanta Falcons. Former NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue stated the city was successful in hosting the team and it 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 Toyota Motor Manufacturing Texas.

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.

Did you know San Antonio is ...

- The filming location of several movies including *The Alamo* starring Dennis Quaid and Billy Bob Thornton; *All the Pretty Horses* featuring Matt Damon; *Miss Congeniality* with Sandra Bullock; *The Newton Boys* starring Matthew McConaughey; and *Selena* featuring Jennifer Lopez.
- The home of four professional sports teams. The 1999, 2003, 2005 and 2007 NBA Champion Spurs; the 2002, 2003 and 2007 Texas League Champion Missions, the Double-A affiliate of the San Diego Padres; the Rampage of the American Hockey League; and the Silver Stars of the WNBA.
- Located in a mild climate that averages 300 days of sunshine, 68.6 degrees and less than 30 inches of rain per year, which gives residents several outdoor choices in their free time.
- The cultural center of South Texas with seven awardwinning museums, including the Alamo, historic Majestic Theatre and Marion Koogler McNay Art Museum (first modern art museum in Texas).
- The location of the 1968 World's Fair. As a permanent reminder, the Tower of the Americas overlooks downtown.



The AT&T Center is the home to the San Antonio Spurs and San Antonio Silver Stars.



Six Flags Texas features several roller coasters and a water theme park.



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



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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 2008 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 SID 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-game 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 for photography and media credentials at least 24 hours before a home game. 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 basketball practices during the season. Please call the Sports Information Office for practice times and interview requests. 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 soccer matches.



LIVE AUDIO & VIDEO STREAMING

Live audio for all 31 UTSA women's basketball games plus any postseason contests will be streamed through the official athletics Web site — *goUTSA.com*. In addition, a live video stream that includes the audio feed for all 18 home and selected road contests will be available to Rowdy Zone subscribers at *goUTSA.com*. The broadcast schedule is subject to change

Live video streaming for home games is made available through the generous assistance of the UTSA Center for Distance Learning and Academic Technology.







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UTSA on Time Warner Cable San Antonio

Kevin Brock (expert analysis) and Jason Minnix (play-by-play) will call the action for both Time Warner Cable broadcasts this season. UTSA's games on Jan. 24 vs. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi and Feb. 14 vs. UT Arlington can be seen on TWC-SA channel 50.