



Tower and Littlefield Fountain at UT Austin

The University of Texas System

impact on Austin

The University of Texas at Austin ★ The University of Texas System Administration

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY IMPACT

The University of Texas System Administration and The University of Texas at Austin generate critical tax revenue and jobs for the Austin area. With just over 600 employees, of which most are self-supported positions not funded by general revenue, and an annual operating budget of \$148.5 million (FY 2011), the UT System Administration is responsible for the management and coordination of the nine academic and six health institutions across the state.

The UT System is one of the nation’s largest higher education systems and has an annual operating budget of \$12.8 billion (FY 2011) including more than \$2.3 billion in research funded by federal, state, local and private sources. Student enrollment exceeded 211,00 in the 2010 academic year. The UT System confers more than one-third of the state’s undergraduate degrees and educates nearly three-fourths of the state’s new health care professionals annually. With more than 87,000 employees, the UT System is one of the largest employers in the state.

About 14,500 people work at UT Austin’s 350-acre main campus, making it the area’s largest employer. The university, one of the major research institutions in the world, has an annual operating budget of more than \$2 billion and annual research funding of nearly \$549 million. According to a Institute for Economic Impact study, UT Austin generates annually \$8.2 billion in business activity and \$2.4 billion in personal income. UT Austin’s students provide an annual economic boost of \$823 million into the local economy. Student spending leads local businesses and their employees to spend another \$5.8 billion across the state.

STUDENTS

With just more than 50,000 students, UT Austin is one of the largest campuses in the nation. Just over 80 percent of its students are from Texas, but all 50 states and more than 120 foreign countries are also represented. Of the 17,044 college students from Travis County enrolled at Texas public higher education institutions, 52 percent attend UT System universities, with the largest number, 7,444, at UT Austin. Similarly, almost 37 percent of Williamson County and 68 percent of Bexar County students attend UT System institutions. UT Austin offers 115 undergraduate and 192 graduate degree programs, with nearly 13,000 degrees earned every year.

ALUMNI

Many of UT Austin’s more than 450,000 alumni live and work in the Austin area and surrounding counties, or continue to work in Texas and contribute to the fabric of our society.

ACADEMIC GROWTH AND SUCCESS

UT Austin’s faculty includes a Nobel Prize laureate, a Pulitzer Prize winner, four National Medal of Science winners and members of the Institute of Medicine, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the National Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Engineering, the American Law Institute and the American Academy of Nursing.



O. Henry Hall - former Federal Courthouse and Post Office - is the main administrative building for the UT System

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ACCESS AND OPPORTUNITY

UT Austin provides access and opportunity for large numbers of historically underserved students. It annually ranks among the national leaders in minority bachelor's degrees awarded and bachelor's, master's and doctor's degrees awarded to Hispanics.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE REGION

Area residents, other Texans, and a wide variety of tourists from other states and countries come to Austin to enjoy art, artifacts, music and historic documents at UT Austin's libraries, museums and research facilities:

- The Jack S. Blanton Museum of Art is one of the nation's top 10 university museums.
- The Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center is visited by international scholars who come to study its manuscripts, rare books, photographs, costumes and music. Among its treasures are the world's first photograph and a rare, complete copy of the Gutenberg Bible.
- The Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum houses 40 million pages of historic documents, including the papers from LBJ's political career, as well as those of his closest associates.
- The Center for American History contains extensive holdings on the history of Texas, as well as major collections on the South, the Southwest and the Rocky Mountain West.
- The Texas Natural Science Center offers exhibits and educational programs at its Texas Memorial Museum on campus. The museum houses more than 5.7 million specimens in paleontology, geology, biology, herpetology, ichthyology and entomology. Spotlights in the exhibits are the largest flying creature ever found – the Texas Pterosaur, with a wingspan of nearly 40 feet – and the 30-foot Mosasaur that swam the shallow sea that once covered most of Texas.
- The Nettie Lee Benson Latin American Collection is internationally known for its comprehensive holdings from and about Latin America.
- And, speaking of culture, a UT Austin football game attracts about 36,000 out-of-town visitors to Austin. Their spending creates a total economic impact of \$24 million per game.

GROUNDBREAKING UT SYSTEM INITIATIVES

- *Bachelor's Accelerated Completion (BAC) Program*: Designed to meet the needs of the more than 3.4 million adults in Texas who have some college credit but no degree, the Bachelor's Accelerated Completion program enables working adults with 60 or more hours of college credit the opportunity to complete their degrees in a fast-track format administered entirely online.
- *Transfer 101: From Community College to University*: A collaborative effort among the UT System, The Texas A&M University System and the Texas Association of Community Colleges, Transfer 101 is a statewide initiative designed to help students and parents understand the process of transferring from a community college to a four-year university.
- *Clinical Safety and Effectiveness (CS&E)*: The UT System stands at the forefront of health care reform efforts to improve the safety and quality of medical care. Clinical Safety and Effectiveness efforts introduced at UT MD Anderson Cancer Center are finding wide success on each of the six UT health campuses. Clinical staff — physicians, nurses and assistants — team with administrative and financial staff to improve efficiencies and quality.
- *Shared Services*: Aimed at cutting costs through bulk purchases and sharing services across UT institutions, Shared Services has already netted \$1.4 billion in savings, cost avoidance, and increased investment earnings since its inception in 2006.



The clock on the tower at
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facts at a glance

UT AUSTIN

Year Established: 1883
 Enrollment: 51,195 (Fall 2010)
 Degrees Awarded: 13,215 (2009-2010)
 Faculty: 3,271 (Fall 2010)
 Personnel*: 11,230 (FY 2010)
 Budget: \$2.13 billion (FY 2011)
 Research Spending: \$548.9 million (FY 2010)
 President: William C. Powers Jr.
 Website: www.utexas.edu

UT SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION

Personnel: 612 (FY 2010)
 Budget: \$148.5 million (FY 2011)
 Chancellor: Francisco G. Cigarroa, M.D.
 Website: www.utsystem.edu

* Does not include student employees.

UT SYSTEM'S COMMITMENT

The core commitment of the University of Texas System is to education as a life-transforming experience. The System is dedicated to strengthening the entire education enterprise, from pre-kindergarten through post-graduate studies. UT System's 15 institutions are composed of thousands of people who are making a difference in Texas and in the global community.



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