

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM
MESSAGE FROM THE CHANCELLOR



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Dear Friends:

As the world works to protect the health and security of its people and institutions, I want to assure you that The University of Texas System remains committed to your education and future careers and continues to offer the highest level of excellence in education and research. Faculty, staff and students across the UT System and the people of Texas join me in extending the warm welcome generations of international students and scholars have experienced during their study sojourns with us.

Certainly, these are times of uncertainty as we seek to overcome the difficulties of a global pandemic. But these are also times of innovation and creative flexibility as UT institutions focus on the core mission of educating students, preparing them for productive roles in society, and advancing knowledge across the full range of disciplines supporting exploration in science, engineering, the humanities, social sciences, and professional pursuits.

I urge you to remain part of these efforts and, for those contemplating beginning university and post graduate study at a UT institution, to join us in our critically important endeavors.

We are preparing for renewed openings during the fall 2020 term. Since March, UT institutions have been refining teaching methods and laboratory operations that will enable students to take advantage of all available resources and provide the educational rewards you expect from your investment in education.

The fall term will most likely see a return to face-to-face learning on campus, together with a robust utilization of online teaching resources, new ways to access labs and archives, and opportunities that allow continuing and new students who are unable to join us in Texas to begin their University of Texas educational experiences from their home countries.

We are working closely with American government agencies to help ensure access to UT institutions despite COVID-19 restrictions currently affecting non-immigrant visas and international travel. I am confident we will eventually make progress in these areas.

Meanwhile, continue to communicate with your contacts at UT admissions offices and with advisors in international offices and university departments.

I personally urge you to study with us and enjoy the very special experience only Texas can offer.

James B. Milliken

Chancellor