Organization

UTSA is an institution of The University of Texas System. Governance of the University is vested in the nine-member Board of Regents of The University of Texas System, whose members are appointed biennially for six-year, staggered terms by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Board of Regents delegates administrative authority to the Chancellor of The University of Texas System. In turn, the administrative authority of each institution, such as UTSA, is delegated to the President of that institution.

The President of UTSA (http://utsa.edu/president) is assisted by a staff including the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Vice President for Business Affairs, the Vice President for Community Services, the Vice President for Research, the Vice President for Student Affairs, and the Vice President for External Relations. The President’s Office also includes the Office of Legal Affairs, the Office of Equal Opportunity Services, and the Office of Audit, Compliance and Risk Services.

The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs (http://provost.utsa.edu/home) is the university’s chief academic officer. The provost is charged with ensuring the quality of academic programs and with supporting the hiring of top faculty. A high priority of this office is to guide UTSA toward its goal of being a Tier One research institution. UTSA’s provost reports directly to the president and oversees the eight academic colleges, the Graduate School, Honors College, the Libraries, Information Technology and many other initiatives.

The Vice President for Business Affairs (http://utsa.edu/bussvc/departments/office.html) provides the President with advice and counsel on fiscal affairs and has direct responsibility for the business operations of the University, including budgeting and financial forecasting, human resources, facilities and capital improvement projects, campus police operations and emergency preparedness, environmental health and safety, purchasing and auxiliary services, including food service, bookstore operations and parking and transportation operations.

The Vice President for Community Services (http://utsa.edu/vpcs) provides the President with advice and counsel on outreach and community engagement. The Vice President is responsible for extending the University beyond its campuses and into San Antonio and South Texas through public service, extension, outreach, and community education. This is accomplished through the following: the Institute for Economic Development, the Institute of Texan Cultures, the PreFreshman Engineering Program, the Office of Community Outreach, the Office of Extended Education, the Downtown Campus Special Events Office, the UTSA Mexico Center, the Office of P-20 Initiatives, and the Child and Adolescent Policy Research Institute.

The Vice President for Research (http://research.utsa.edu) oversees all support services for research and other creative endeavors among all colleges, research institutes and collaborating partners. This is accomplished through the following offices: Vice President for Research, Senior Associate Vice President for Research, Sponsored Project Administration, Research Support, Research Integrity, Commercialization and Innovation.

The Vice President for Student Affairs (http://utsa.edu/students) is responsible for overseeing student life; financial aid; enrollment services; admissions, orientation and family programs; registrar; athletics and athletic academic support programs; student services, including counseling and health services; and for providing advice to administrators on all aspects of student activities at UTSA.

The Vice President for External Relations (http://utsa.edu/vper) provides the President with advice and counsel for all areas of development, marketing, communications and alumni programs. The Vice President serves as Chief Development Officer and acts as a liaison between the Office of the President and University Development Board and the University’s Campaign Committee and serves as an executive-level representative of the President in the community. The Vice President is responsible for the development and management of plans and programs to produce and promote the University identity as a premier public research university. The Vice President is also directly responsible for alumni affairs with the academic colleges and coordination of the three University campuses.