General Information

The University’s Main Campus address is The University of Texas at San Antonio, One UTSA Circle, San Antonio, TX 78249. The address of the Downtown Campus is 501 César E. Chávez Boulevard, San Antonio, Texas 78207. The main telephone number is (210) 458-4011. Visit UTSA on the Web at utsa.edu (http://www.utsa.edu).

The Alma Mater

“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 of Texas
San Antonio.

The Mascot

The roadrunner, a bird representative of the Texas Hill Country and the Southwest, was voted the UTSA mascot in 1977.

The School Colors

Official colors of The University of Texas System are orange and white. Upon recommendation from the UTSA Student Representative Assembly, the Board of Regents approved the addition of blue to the orange and white for UTSA’s school colors.

Statement of Equal Educational Opportunity

No person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity sponsored or conducted by The University of Texas System or any of its component institutions on any basis prohibited by applicable law, including, but not limited to, race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, veteran status, or disability. Discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression are also prohibited pursuant to University policy.

Accreditation

The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (http://www.sacscoc.org) to award baccalaureate, master’s, and doctoral degrees. Contact the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA).

University Catalogs

UTSA Information Bulletin gives important information about academic policies and procedures that apply to all students, regardless of the catalog under which they are seeking their degree. It includes residence requirements, policies on grades and the grade point average, credit by examination, adding and dropping courses and withdrawal from the University, and scholastic probation and dismissal. This annual publication also gives historical and current information about the University’s organization and physical facilities.

The UTSA Undergraduate Catalog and the UTSA Graduate Catalog provide information about degrees offered by the colleges, degree requirements for all majors, courses offered in the departments, and the faculty in each area.

Academic Advising

UTSA views sound academic advising as a significant responsibility in educating its students. Employing developmental advising principles, UTSA academic advisors offer academic advising and guidance to empower students to realize their full potential. For this reason, each student is assigned to a particular professional academic advisor so the student can establish a strong mentoring relationship with her or his advisor, whom he or she may consult on all academic and curricular issues. Each advisor has a caseload of students which allows the advisor to be knowledgeable about their students’ strengths, weaknesses, and preferences. Students should be comfortable and confident in the advice given them by their advisors, and know the advice they receive will be consistent and accurate. Students are encouraged to develop mentoring relationships with faculty for additional information and support.

Students are ultimately responsible for knowing and meeting degree requirements, for enrolling in appropriate courses to ensure orderly and timely completion of their degree programs, and for following the rules and policies of UTSA as found in the catalog, the current UTSA Information Bulletin, and the online schedule of classes. Each professional advisor sees students concerning all matters related to their academic status, such as progress toward degree completion, graduation status, academic warning, academic probation, academic dismissal, and changing majors. Students who are on academic warning or academic probation for the first time or who are reinstated after academic dismissal or with a Texas Success Initiative (TSI) deficiency are required to be advised, and holds are placed on their registration records to ensure that the student meets with the advisor. Students may also be required to meet with an advisor to obtain approval to register for restricted courses.

Frequent advisor contact provides students with current academic information and promotes progress toward educational goals. All students, regardless of classification or major, accepted into the Honors College (http://honors.utsa.edu) are advised through the Honors College. In some cases, a student may be advised by more than one advising component.

All academic advising is organized into the following components:

- Academic Major Advising: Architecture and Construction Planning (Downtown), Arts and Humanities, Business Studies, Engineering, Interdisciplinary Education, Life and Health Sciences, Mathematical and Physical Sciences, Public Service and Policy Studies (Downtown), Social Sciences
- Student Placement Advising (includes students without declared majors; CAP students)
- Pre-Professional Advising: Health Professions, Pre-Law
- Honors
- Athletics
- Teacher Certification