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A CAMPUS TRANSFORMED

The monumental growth experienced at The University of Texas at Dallas over the last decade has allowed for an astounding level of achievement in academics, landscaping, housing, infrastructure, and service. We have seen this University flourish under the presidential guidance and leadership of Dr. David E. Daniel, who served this campus from 2005-2015, as well as Dr. Hobson Wildenthal, president ad interim from 2015-2016, and Dr. Richard C. Benson, our president since 2016, who continues to provide the high energy leadership that is such a part of the UT Dallas culture. When I arrived at UT Dallas in 2007, there were roughly 14,000 students and the campus stood at a much smaller scale. Today, we have doubled enrollment to more than 29,500 students and created our own thriving campus community that is uniquely UT Dallas.

Since 2007, we have added more than 11.5 million square feet of new or renovated infrastructure and more than $1.5 billion in development to the campus. This book offers a look at the transformation of this campus, highlighting the growth as it encompasses the University’s vision of excellence. We as a community can take pride in the campus’ external growth, in addition to a tremendous surge in internal service excellence initiatives. As we continue to prosper and serve, the level of campus spirit thrives like never before.

As our student, faculty, staff and alumni populations continue to grow, the Office of Facilities and Economic Development and its departments remain committed to scaling our operations, infrastructure and services to support the University’s overall mission. With each new building and service, we are defining our legacy and the future of our University. We understand that part of attracting and retaining the best and the brightest students and employees comes from creating strong infrastructure, a caring and inclusive culture, and an energizing and service-oriented environment where people feel they can grow and make an impact. In a very short period, UT Dallas has become that attractive destination where excellence thrives!

Dr. Calvin D. Jamison  
Vice President for Facilities and Economic Development  
The University of Texas at Dallas
Fun Fact: More than 107,000 feet of heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) piping was installed inside Engineering & Computer Science West (page 14). That’s the equivalent of 20.4 miles of piping — enough to stretch from the UT Dallas bookstore to the Dallas Zoo!
Natural Science and Engineering Research Laboratory

With expanding milestones in campus research and discoveries, the Natural Science and Engineering Research Laboratory was dedicated in June 2007. This research facility is home to scientists and engineers who work in an array of fields including biology, brain and behavioral science, materials science and engineering, electrical engineering, and chemistry. Within this four-story, 192,000-square-foot facility, scientists and engineers are able to work collaboratively with specialized lab equipment and engage in cutting-edge innovations and research.
Edith O’Donnell Arts and Technology Building

Breaking ground in 2011 and completing construction in August 2014, this 157,920-square-foot building is home to programs in arts and technology, visual arts, emerging media and multimedia communications. The facility includes classroom space for game design, visual arts, sound design, motion capture animation, 2-D and 3-D art studios, and photography labs. Key features include an echo-free sound chamber, a motion-capture lab, and a sound design studio. Students and faculty have the opportunity to cultivate their creativity and innovation by utilizing the 1,200-seat auditorium as well as the many creative spaces provided in order to expand their visionary mediums.
Science Learning Center

Completed in the summer of 2010, the 74,000-square-foot, three-story facility known as the Science Learning Center boosted the number of instructional science labs at UT Dallas. Math and science courses are the predominate focus in this facility. Its aesthetic tile exterior was inspired by atomic emission spectra of gases and the human DNA after it is separated in the process of gel electrophoresis. The building features 150-seat and 300-seat lecture halls, as well as offices for faculty and tutors. Students and faculty utilize lab space to provide an effective immersive learning experience through various teaching techniques.
Founders Hall Renovation

Founders Hall is the oldest building on campus and sits as the historical heart of the University. Renovations on the east side of the facility began in 2008 and included the creation of an open lab, classrooms, offices, and an atrium lobby. The computer lab contains 105 computers and is available to all students, faculty, and staff.
Bioengineering and Sciences Building

With a total of 222,651 square feet, the Bioengineering and Sciences Building is the University’s largest academic facility. This building provides research space with instructional laboratories for faculty and research assistants, as well as undergraduate and graduate assistants from a variety of academic backgrounds. It is home to programs in bioengineering, neuroscience, biology and chemistry. Like its neighbor, the Natural Science and Engineering Research Laboratory, this facility was designed to encourage collaboration between labs and researchers from multiple disciplines.
In August 2014, students returned to campus to find an expansion of the Naveen Jindal School of Management. A 107,455-square-foot addition provided 50 percent more space for the School, which boasts the largest enrollment of all eight schools on campus. Students, faculty, and staff enjoy executive education classrooms, meeting spaces for student organizations, a trading and sales lab, Jason’s Deli, and more.
Callier Center Richardson Addition

The expansion of the Callier Center Richardson facility in 2016 added 50,000 square feet to the existing facility. This additional space allowed for the advancement of care for children and adults with speech, language, and hearing disorders. The unparalleled communication disorders center offers cutting-edge research laboratories, clinical facilities, and assistive technology that delivers treatment and services to patients while giving students hands-on experience.
This 200,000-square-foot facility is home to the Department of Mechanical Engineering, adding more research labs, faculty offices, and classrooms to those offered by Engineering and Computer Science North and South. The building includes lecture spaces with 60-300 seats, common areas to promote collaborative studying and project-based learning opportunities, and laboratories approved by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) and American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) for building formula racing cars. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are easily available at The Market, which includes vegetarian and halal options.
Brain Performance Institute

This 62,000-square-foot facility opened in October 2017 to promote the improvement of brain health as well as brain resilience and regeneration for people of all ages. The exterior ellipse of the facility features panels inspired by an electroencephalogram (EEG) strip.

A grand staircase commands attention in the entry lobby beneath a dramatic bowed ceiling. The building’s elliptical design takes inspiration from the frontal lobe of the brain and neuron-inspired art installations decorate several rooms.
Davidson-Gundy Alumni Center

A generous gift from Jindal School of Management alums Charles Davidson (MS ’80) and Nancy Gundy (BS ’80) supported the creation of this 30,000-square-foot facility. The center is a versatile multipurpose event space that allows for a unique gathering experience on the UT Dallas campus. Completed in 2017, the facility is open to alumni and community members to book meetings and special events. Conference rooms are available as are numerous seating areas throughout the building. A 5,700-square-foot ballroom holds over 400 people, and an outdoor patio —complete with a beautifully manicured lawn, private gardens, and grove of shade trees— serve as outstanding spaces for any event.
Within its walls, UT Dallas’ Waterview Science and Technology Center contains a closed-loop atmospheric boundary layer wind tunnel, only the second one of its kind to be created in the United States. The tunnel’s turbine generates wind speeds of up to 55 meters per second — enough to replicate the friction off the Earth’s surface and allow for scale experimentation in aerodynamics as well as other research.

Synergy Park North

The Wellness Center facility in the Synergy Park North building provides a space for full-time staff and members of the athletics department to work out and improve their health. Key features include various exercise machines, areas for stretching, and instructor-led classes.

Synergy Park North 2

Home to a 6,000-square-foot art complex with exhibition spaces, project rooms, and an office, the SP/N gallery holds the Comer Collection of Photography.

This facility also includes a 300-seat computer lab and testing center.
Research Operations Centers

Acquired in 2010, the Research Operations Center is home to the Department of Geosciences, Information Technology, Information Security, additional offices for the Registrar, Enrollment and Financial Aid, and the Venture Development Center (VDC). The 20,000-square-foot VDC provides a place for students, faculty, and alumni to collaborate on projects and embark on startups that can become fundable companies.

Constructed in 2015, Research Operations Center West is home to the Science and Engineering Education Center (SEEC). Their mission is to improve access to quality science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education by bringing learning programs into the community.
Fun Fact: Thanks to active participation and planting efforts with UT Dallas’ Tree Campus USA program, there are nearly as many trees on the UT Dallas campus as there are people living within the city of El Paso, Texas! UT Dallas is dedicated to maintaining its “urban forest” by supporting a Tree Advisory Committee that keeps an inventory of all trees on campus.
University Parkway and Entrance

The beautification of the UT Dallas campus was made possible through the generous donation of the late Margaret McDermott, wife of UTD founder Eugene McDermott. The project, designed by Peter Walker Partners and completed in the Fall of 2009, added more than 6,000 native trees and shrubs to campus. Each tree used for campus enhancement was hand-picked, inspected, and placed in a specific location by the landscape architect.

Hike and Bike Trail

A scenic 3.5-mile hike-and-bike trail winds around and through campus. Starting at Waterview Parkway and Franklyn Jenifer Drive, then extending north to Synergy Park Boulevard, the trail turns toward the east to connect with more paths on Floyd Road.
South Mall: 
Landscaping Phase 1

After the $30-million transformation of the south mall, Phase 1 was completed in 2009, expanding from Campbell Road to Founders Hall. More than 33 needlepoint holly hedgerows contour the campus entrance from east to west. A copse of 78 live oaks stand at the entry, forming a horseshoe around an 80-foot-long limestone monument indicating you’ve arrived at the University. A forest and waterway span the University Parkway. This entrancing beauty features five reflecting pools, trellis, mist fountain, plinth, wall clocks, and magnolia trees.
North Mall: Landscaping Phase 2

Phase 2 of architect Peter Walker’s campus landscaping project aimed to “cut the pavement by half” and incorporate green space, such as lawn terraces and elm groves, for a more park-like setting in the northern part of the University. Mr. Walker’s mission was accomplished in 2015. This $20-million renovation spans 575,000 square feet of outdoor space. Texas Instruments Plaza, located between Founders Hall and the University Theatre, features a six-fountain display as a centerpiece. This enhancement stretches north from McDermott Library to the Administration Building.
UT Dallas regularly improved and added to its roads as its facilities expanded.
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Fun Fact: In many ways, UT Dallas functions as a small city! In 2018, more than 28,000 students attended classes, supported by more than 3,500 faculty and staff. UT Dallas’ total population rivals the populations of Texas cities like Cleburne, Weatherford, and Southlake!
Over the years, the University’s housing facilities have experienced exponential growth. With five residence halls built over the past decade, students now have access to more than 2,200 residence hall beds. Living in these halls, students are able to take advantage of the comforts of home within walking distance to their classes.
Residence Halls

The five residential halls on campus feature three-bedroom suites that allow students to be well accommodated with the highest level of comfort. In addition, the facilities offer 24/7 reception desks, study and meeting areas, laundry facilities, and kitchens, as well as lighted outdoor basketball and volleyball courts.

Residence Hall South: 400-bed unit completed August 2009.

Residence Hall North: 400-bed unit completed August 2011.

Residence Hall Northwest: 400-bed unit completed August 2012.

Residence Hall Southwest: 400-bed unit completed August 2013.

Residence Hall West: 600-bed housing complex completed in Fall 2014. This 316,532-square-foot facility is the largest residence on campus, providing a dining hall, recreation center, lounges, gaming rooms, and thirty-one study spaces.

Canyon Creek Heights

Completed in 2017, Canyon Creek Heights North and South are a pair of fully furnished apartment complexes providing 800 beds for the University’s upperclassmen. Each unit comes with support staff, laundry facilities, outdoor recreation areas, and bicycle racks.
Fun Fact: From 2007 to 2019, UT Dallas expanded its campus from 83 facilities covering 2.7 million square feet to 160 facilities covering 7.04 million gross square feet. While 35 buildings were acquired during that time, the rest were built, along with new roads and parking spots.
Parking

Over the years, the need for parking has grown exponentially, and UT Dallas has worked to ensure that students, faculty, staff, and campus visitors are well accommodated. Thirty-two parking locations, including three parking structures, provide commuters with 10,338 individual spaces. Also, 17 specific parking locations with a total of 3,950 spaces are available for on-campus student residents.

In 2016, the University installed new parking guidance systems in all parking structures. These systems help students quickly find available spaces on each level. This technology also enables students to check parking availability on their phones by visiting the UTD Map.
Parking Structure 1

Opened in August 2013, the 251,000-square-foot Parking Structure 1 (PS1) provides 750 parking spaces for the students, staff, and faculty at facilities near the core of campus, such as the Edith O’Donnell Arts and Technology Building and the Naveen Jindal School of Management. This five-story structure includes a 220kw solar photovoltaic array on the fifth floor that provides enough energy to make PS1 a zero-net energy building. The array was funded through an incentive from Oncor energy, awarded to UT Dallas to replace older cooling equipment with energy-efficient equipment in the adjoining Supplemental Utility Plant and the Residence Halls.
Parking Structure 3

Parking Structure 3 (PS3) is a multi-use facility that broke ground in 2012, adding 750 new parking spaces to the University. It is the only parking structure on campus that houses restaurants and offices, including Einstein Bros. Bagels, IHOP Express, Auxiliary Services, and Blackstone Launchpad. The facility’s innovative perimeter beams obscure the view of parked vehicles from the outside while flooding the inside in natural light during the day.
Parking Structure 4

Parking Structure 4 (PS4) is the most recent parking addition on campus. Completed in Fall 2016, PS4 provides the UT Dallas community with approximately 1,150 parking spaces. The facility features energy-efficient LED lighting, three elevators, and two entrance/exit ramps to ease traffic flow. The structure is strategically located on the western portion of campus near the newly opened Engineering and Computer Science West building.
Supplemental Utility Plant

The Supplemental Utility Plant (SUP) is a 6,000-ton variable-primary chilled water plant located next to Parking Structure 1. This plant came online in 2012, supplementing the power provided by the University’s existing Energy Plant (EP). Over a third of the energy used at The University of Texas at Dallas is for laboratory temperature control. In addition to building the SUP, UT Dallas has employed a variety of strategies to improve its energy efficiency and sustainability, from using centralized campus air conditioning to upgrading the cooling equipment in the residence halls.
Roads

As University facilities have expanded, so have the roads in and around campus. Working with the City of Richardson, various entrances to The University of Texas at Dallas have been widened, providing extra turning lanes and safer crosswalks.

Inside UT Dallas, Loop Road has been expanded to run throughout the inside of campus, circling from the University Commons residence halls area on the northwest end, past Parking Structure 3, through Parking Lots A-D, past Parking Structure 1 on the east, into the traffic circle on the south end of the mall, between the athletic fields and the University Village apartments on the south, and ending near the Canyon Creek Heights apartments on the southwest end.
SERVICES

Fun Fact: The Market (page 41) bakes 17,654 cookies a year. If each cookie had a three-inch diameter, all those cookies laid side by side would stretch halfway across the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.
Visitor Center and University Bookstore

Standing at 33,000 square feet, the Visitor Center and University Bookstore building serves as the first stop for campus visitors, families, and students to receive valuable information about the campus, attend recruitment events, and learn much more through group and family tours. This large space serves a significant role in accommodating both current and future Comets by housing a copy center, coffee shop, technology store, bookstore, and a multipurpose room.

The rotunda provides a welcoming atmosphere to those on campus and a great space for informal gatherings. The rotunda’s stack ventilation — controlled by curved glass containment, its concentric rings of sunshades constructed of structural steel, and its huge fan — keeps it temperate in the hot Texas climate. Finely detailed steel tension members keep it light and delicate like the best of traditional Texas porches.
Student Union Food Court

Dedicated in September 2009 as a dining hall, this facility now serves as a food court and seats 400 diners. With the addition of a new Starbucks and a renovated Pub, this facility offers a wide selection of dining options. Semi-private dining spaces are also available for faculty, staff, and invited guests.
Food Truck Park

Local food trucks are featured west of the Student Union in UT Dallas’ Food Truck Park. Open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. most weekdays, 25 different food trucks rotate and provide an assortment of options to satisfy anyone’s cravings.

The Market

Five buildings on campus have The Market: a convenient one-stop shop for coffee, snacks, and other grab-n-go items for a quick meal option between classes.
Dining Hall West

Completed in the Fall of 2014, this grand all-you-care-to-eat location has multiple stations serving a wide variety of tasty foods, from home-style favorites to unique international flavors. Open seven days a week, Dining Hall West provides guests a one-stop shop for student meals.

Rec Center West

Located next to Residence Hall West and Dining Hall West, this facility’s courts are primarily used for badminton and volleyball. In addition, this building provides fitness space and a multipurpose room for all other fitness needs.
Student Services Building

This 73,343-square-foot facility, opened in 2010, houses many essential resources and services that help students succeed during their time at UT Dallas: the Career Center, Multicultural Center, Galerstein Gender Center, Admissions and Enrollment, Financial Aid, Office of the Registrar, and Bursar Office.

The Student Services Building became UT System’s first academic structure — and 11th statewide — to be awarded LEED Platinum status by the Green Building Council.
In Fall 2017, this 74,343-square-foot addition to the Student Services Building was completed to further expand essential resources and services to students. Key features in this building include a 500-seat auditorium, food and retail locations, and a gaming wall. In addition to providing event, meeting, office, and study space, the many resources offered such as Comet Card office, Military and Veteran Center, and Student Affairs prove to be convenient for students across the campus.
Apiary

Dr. Scott Rippel, senior lecturer in biological sciences at UT Dallas, helped establish bee hives on campus in 2011. These apiaries provide students firsthand experience with an important pollinator species. In addition, the University has set aside areas for cultivating native Texas plants that support local pollinating insects, as well as waystations for migrating Monarch butterflies. UTD’s efforts to protect pollinators and create a healthy habitat have earned it the Bee Campus USA designation through the Xerces Society.
Northside I and II

Northside at UT Dallas, also known as “Comet Town,” is a mixed-use facility offering several housing options, restaurants, and shopping within walking distance of campus and public transportation.

Northside Phase I was completed in 2016 and covers 407,000 gross square feet, including 20,760 gross square feet of first-floor retail space housing a convenience store and several restaurants: Pinto Urban Thai Diner, Chopped Halal Grill, Delish Bubble Tea, Jimmy Johns, Northside Drafthouse and American Taproom. This complex contains 313 living units, including furnished and unfurnished apartments and townhomes, providing a total of 595 beds.

Completed in 2018, Northside Phase II added 275 living units, 900 beds and 389,648 gross square feet to the facility. This addition includes 3,925 gross square feet of retail space. Northside residents can enjoy its sky lounge, game room, clubhouse, barbecue space, pool, gym, cross-fit equipment, and giant chessboard.
Northside Live

The Northside complex was designed to host events for UT Dallas and the surrounding community. This facility’s central boulevard, lined with trees and accented with trellises and outdoor seating, can be closed off to create a pedestrian plaza. Northside has served as the setting for a food and beer festival, corporate meetings, cooking competitions, and live music. The University’s own Welcome Back Block Party, a celebration held before the start of Fall classes, has been staged at Northside ever since the first phase of this complex was built.
Comet Cruiser
Neighborhood Bus Service
Students and members of the community can ride DART shuttle 883 for free to nearby apartments, stores, and commuter rail on buses equipped to carry bicycles and wheelchairs. The Comet Cruiser runs many different routes and schedules, some going from early morning to late at night.

Comet Cab
Campus Shuttle Service
Seven shuttle routes criss-cross the campus, connecting students from University housing, to classroom buildings, to the outer edges of our farthest parking lots. Comet Cabs can be waved down from anywhere along a route, providing it doesn’t obstruct traffic. Wheelchair-accessible shuttles can be requested in advance and special shuttle routes are arranged for finals week, commencement, and other major events on campus. Students can check for the arrival of the next shuttle in real time online.
**VBikes - Bike-Sharing Program**

UT Dallas has partnered with a vendor to provide our students easy, affordable access to bicycles on campus. While five main bike-sharing stations are distributed at strategic locations around the University, these VBikes can be picked up or returned from any campus bicycle rack. The bikes can be found and rented directly through a phone app.

**Zipcar - Car-Sharing Club**

The University offers self-service, on-demand car sharing through its fleet of Zipcar vehicles, which can be picked up and dropped off at one of five reserved parking spots next to campus housing, plus a nearby off-campus location. When the UT Dallas service started, it became one of the fastest-growing in the country.

**Booster Fuels - Refueling Service**

UT Dallas partners with Booster Fuels to provide on-demand fuel delivery to our main campus on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Instead of visiting a gas station, students and staff can have their cars refueled at a University lot while they’re in class or at work.
AWARDS FOR

2011
City of Richardson Community Revitalization Award
DFW Topping Out Association Top 10 Project Award for the Landscape Enhancement Project
Association for Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education Innovation in Green Building Award for the Student Services Building
College Planning & Management Magazine Judges Choice Award for Energy Efficiency and Conservation, for the Student Services Building Education Design Showcase’s Green Judges Choice Winner Award for the Student Services Building
Texas Governor’s Committee on People with Disabilities and the Accessibility Professionals Association Accessibility Award for the Student Services Building
Dallas Business Journal Green Deal of the Year Award for the Student Services Building
ENR Texas & Louisiana Region Green Project of Merit Award for the Student Services Building
US Green Buildings Council Balcones Chapter Green School Award in the Higher Education Category for the Student Services Building
State of Texas RecycleMania 4th place finish in three categories for the Facilities Management Recycling Team

2013
National Night Out Award
Dream Study Award for UTD Cotton Belt Transit-Oriented Development Study

2014
Princeton Guide to Green Colleges recognized UT Dallas
American Professional Grounds Management Society Green Star Honor Award
OFPC Silver STEP (Safety) Award for Parking Structure 1
Corporate Challenge 4th place overall finish
Princeton Guide to Green Colleges recognized UT Dallas

Association of College Unions International Award for Best Student Affairs Architectural Project for the Student Services Building

OFPC Silver STEP (Safety) Award for Parking Structure 3

OFPC Silver STEP (Safety) Award for Naveen Jindal School of Management Addition

OFPC Silver STEP (Safety) Award for Bioengineering and Sciences Building

Richardson EDGE Award for Northside Commercial Real Estate Project

The State of Texas Alliance for Recycling (STAR) Rick Fuszek Award for Outstanding Sustainable Materials Management

College Food Service Innovator of the Year

Chef Gene Christiano was awarded Chef of the Year by the Texas Chefs Association American Culinary Federation

Economic Development, Growth & Expansion (EDGE) Award

Illumination Award of Merit

ASID Legacy of Design Award for Callier Center Richardson Addition

R&D Magazine Lab of the Year Award - Special Mention for Engineering and Computer Science West

APPA Sustainability Innovation Award in Facilities Management for Food Waste Reduction

UEDA Award of Excellence in Place + Innovation for the UT Dallas Intellectual Transit-Oriented Transformational Incubator (DITTI)
The University hasn’t stopped growing. In the near future, expect to see:

- $18M worth of additional landscaping
- A larger athletics concession stand
- A new housing operations building
- Even more facilities for art, science, living, and commuting to campus

The new Science Building is expected to be open for classes in 2020. This 187,000-square-foot facility will become the new home for the Department of Physics, the William B. Hanson Center for Space Science, and the UTeach program.
Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) just broke ground on a commuter rail station at the north end of campus. Part of DART’s new Silver Line route, the train will run to DFW airport, better connecting UT Dallas to the world. Rail service is expected to begin in 2022.

Plans are underway to design the Arts and Performance Complex, an artistic hub for the University that will house the Edith O’Donnell Institute of Art History, the Wildenstein Library, and the newly-gifted Barrett and Crow art collections. The over 400 works of the Barrett Collection comprise the most definitive collection of Swiss art outside of Switzerland. The Trammell and Margaret Crow Museum Collection includes more than 1,000 pieces of art representing a dozen Asian cultures and a 12,000-volume library.
Northside’s next phase, currently being built, is expected to add 370 beds, 246 living units and 211,607 gross square feet to the complex. The project will also bring another Starbucks to serve the UT Dallas community. When completed, the entire Northside facility will cover over 1 million gross square feet.
THANK YOU

The Office of Facilities and Economic Development acknowledges the dedication and contributions of many individuals who collaborated to develop facilities and services used each day on campus. We honor them with an online Wall of Fame:

utdallas.edu/fed/timeline/thanks