State of the University

OCTOBER 20, 2020
RICHARD C. BENSON, PRESIDENT
UT Dallas ranks 3rd best value among Texas public universities.

(U.S. News & World Report)
Rapid Growth of Student Body (per Academic Year)
Fall 2020 Student Profile

**Top States:**
- Texas (23,406)
- California (230)
- Oklahoma (83)
- Illinois (72)
- Louisiana (67)
- Florida (57)

**Top TX Counties:**
- Collin (7,058)
- Dallas (6,379)
- Denton (2,152)
- Tarrant (1,384)
- Harris (1,119)
- Travis (1,011)

**Top Countries:**
- USA (24,843)
- India (1,905)
- China (741)
- Taiwan (149)
- Iran (113)
- Vietnam (112)

**Gender Distribution:**
- Male: 16,110
- Female: 12,560

**Study Status:**
- Full-Time: 22,943
- Part-Time: 5,727
- Graduate: 7,486
- Undergraduate: 21,184

**Youngest Student:** 15
**Oldest Student:** 86

*Figures current as of September 14, 2020*
28,670 ENROLLED FALL 2020

45.1% Bachelor's degrees awarded to economically disadvantaged students (AY19)

63.6% Undergraduates who received merit- and need-based aid (AY19)

31.5% Undergraduates who received Pell grants (fall 2018)
Top Declared Majors of Full-Time Incoming Freshmen

3,476 freshmen (fall 2020)

193 National Merit Scholars

- Behavioral and Brain Sciences: 37%
  - #3 Neuroscience
  - #10 Psychology

- Management: 18%
  - #7 Finance
  - #9 Business Administration

- Engineering and Computer Science: 16%
  - #1 Computer Science
  - #5 Mechanical Engineering
  - #8 Biomedical Engineering

- All Other Schools: 17%
  - #4 Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication
  - #6 Healthcare Studies

- Natural Sciences and Mathematics: 12%
  - #2 Biology

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Degrees Awarded by Academic Year

Figures current as of September 14, 2020
New Transfer Student Success (NTSS) is UT Dallas’ Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP)

- Multi-year project
- Enhances transfer support services
- Engages all new transfer students
- Includes a transfer mentor program
- Creates an Office of Transfer Student Services

NTSS is part of “Orbit: Keeping New Comets on Course” for all new students.
Total and Federal Research Spending

FY08 to FY19:
- Total and Federal spending trends over the years.

FY20:
- Total spending: $132.1 million
- Federal spending: $55.9 million

All figures in millions.
Innovation and Commercialization

PRINCETON REVIEW RANKINGS

#15 Best Graduate Program for Entrepreneurs

#13 Best Undergraduate Program for Entrepreneurs

#6 Best Overall Program for Entrepreneurs

OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY COMMERCIALIZATION

197 currently active patents

162 patents pending

48 active licenses/options

IN FISCAL YEAR 2019:

22 patents issued

17 licenses/options executed

$3.9 million license revenue
CerSci Therapeutics was a VDC member startup and active in UTD entrepreneurship programs. Focused on developing nonopioid pain therapeutics for acute and chronic pain, CerSci was acquired by Acadia Pharmaceuticals, Aug. 2020, in a transaction valued up to $940 million.

Co-founders of CerSci, left to right: Dr. Greg Dussor, Lucas Rodriguez MS'14, PhD’16 and Dr. Theodore Price BS’97
Student Engagement

426 students registered for the Homecoming 5K in fall 2019. Homecoming was among the last large-scale campus events before the pandemic hit. Due to COVID-19, it has been rescheduled for spring 2021.

68% of new students engaged with Student Affairs-centric events or organizations (fall 2019)

59,411 participants in 681 Student Affairs events/programs
ASC Championships
Men’s Cross Country
Men’s Basketball
Women’s Volleyball

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ASC Distinguished Scholar
Athletes of the Year

3
All-Americans
MORE HONORS

Women’s golf named Academic National Champion, with 3.90 team GPA.

Men’s basketball, golf and soccer, and women’s soccer and volleyball received national academic honors.
Six ASC Coaches of the Year

Marci Allison
Volleyball

Terry Butterfield
Men’s Basketball

Olivia Cicci
TABC Assistant Coach of the Year

Jason Hirsch
Men’s Soccer

Danielle Kcholi
Men’s Cross Country

Polly Thomason
Women’s Basketball
For five consecutive years, UTD students won the oratorical contest at the Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference. Thirty-three UTD students attended the conference in 2019.
Faculty Partnerships

150 faculty members partnered with 10 Living Learning Communities in FY19-FY20

30 classes taught in residence halls with 1,048 student participants

LIVING LEARNING COMMUNITIES
- Arts & Humanities
- Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication
- Computer Science
- Engineering
- Exploration
- First Generation
- Management
- Pre-Health
- Social Sciences
- Women in STEAM
Office of Student Volunteerism: 5,889 service hours
Fraternity and Sorority Life: 10,530 service hours
Student Affairs Staff: 721 service hours
Of the 43 new tenured and tenure-track faculty, these received STARs or Rising STARs awards from UT System PUF, totaling $2 million.
More than $40M has been awarded through these programs since 2004.
Teaching Awards

2020 Regents’ Outstanding Teaching Awards

Dr. Jonas Bunte
School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences

Dr. Joanna Kain Gentsch
School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences

2020 Piper Professor

Dr. Denise Paquette Boots
School of Economic, Political and Policy Sciences
Changes in Academic Leadership

Dr. A. Dean Sherry
Interim Dean, School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
January 15, 2020

Dr. Angela Shoup
Executive Director, Callier Center for Communication Disorders
September 1, 2020
Meeting the Challenge of COVID-19
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<td>March</td>
<td>Extended spring break, transitioned to online learning; decreased number of students who live on campus</td>
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<td>Announced that all summer classes would be online; conducted first virtual presidential town hall</td>
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<td>Student emergency funds and waiving of summer fees announced</td>
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<td>Launched Comets United Return to Campus guide</td>
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<td>Fall semester begins with 5 instructional modalities</td>
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United as a Community

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Donations of personal protective equipment and more to UT Southwestern, Parkland and Methodist Richardson

- Disposable Lab Coats: 30
- Containers of Disinfectant Wipes: 40
- Spray Bottles of Disinfectant: 74
- Face Shields: 101
- N95s: 191
- Disposable Gowns: 600
- Shoe Covers: 720
- Hand Sanitizer (2 oz. bottles): 973
- Surgical Gloves: 2,425
- Alcohol Wipes: 2,850
- Facemasks: 12,070
- Gloves: 120,360
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**Make a Mask Campaign**

Volunteers in the Make a Mask campaign gathered donated materials and sewed over **1,800 masks** that were given to campus essential workers.

**Debra Greszler**, Manager of Information Resources in the Office of Information Technology, spearheaded the effort, for which she was named Staff Council Member of the Year.
In the move to virtual classes, the Office of Information Technology (OIT) purchased devices with funds from the CARES Act and distributed to **362 students**. OIT also provided technical help to support student learning and opened a computer lab so students had access to computers and technical support.
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<th>Year Combination</th>
<th>Total Degrees Awarded</th>
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<td>Spring 2020</td>
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<td>2,448</td>
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<td>1,671</td>
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fall and spring totals
The Student Emergency Fund — an additional source of institutional aid for students — was created in coordination with the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, the Division of Student Affairs and the International Student Services Office.

$1.05M in institutional emergency aid has been disbursed to 1,906 students for unanticipated expenses due to the pandemic.

The need is ongoing. Please visit online to make a donation and help current students.
Majority of University Housing staff continued to work in-person and on campus, providing essential services for residents.

Launched a software program, Roompact, to engage residents virtually.

University Housing provided students living on campus with masks and hand sanitizer.
University Housing launched Living Learning Communities (LLC) space in eLearning for programming, community building, student engagement.

By summer’s end, **65 percent of students** enrolled had already engaged with LLC staff.
Fall 2020 classes according to the 5 modalities of instruction

This model of instruction allows UT Dallas to:

- Provide students with the highest quality education;
- Maintain the health and safety of the campus community;
- Prepare to pivot to all online instruction if needed, as in the spring.
To assist faculty in the delivery of online courses, the Office of Information Technology (OIT) and Educational Technology Services (ETS) integrated MS Stream with MS Teams and upgraded the classrooms with webcams and tablets.

In addition, OIT, ETS and the Center for Teaching and Learning made available:

- Online and Remote Instructional Resources
- Webinars
- Tutorials
**FY 2021 Revenue**

$35.4M below Pre-COVID Expectations

Fall 2020 tuition increase moderated total revenue loss

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<th>Pre-COVID Estimate</th>
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All figures in millions.
To address decreasing revenues and increasing costs, UT Dallas took \$47.3M in mitigating actions in Summer 2020.

**Budget Reductions**
- \$13.4M - Schools: 5% Core Funds
- \$8.1M - Vice Presidents: 10% Unrestricted Funds

**FY 2021 Expenditure Reductions**
- \$11.8M - Deferral of Debt Service Principal Payment
- \$2.5M - Fringe Benefit Savings from Workforce Reductions

**Reallocations**
- \$7.0M - National Research University Fund (NRUF)
- \$4.5M - Investment Earnings
Living Our Values
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The inaugural Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dream Week highlighted the legacy of Dr. King.

Forums facilitated by student leaders, faculty and staff were hosted online to discuss the racial violence in America.

The Multicultural Center converted the popular Welcome Back Block Party to a virtual experience to celebrate start of the school year.
Diversity Scholars Program
Established in 2010

Scholarships
236 students have received scholarships since 2010.
$5,000 per year for up to 8 semesters of undergraduate study.

Programming
Annual fall orientation, monthly student success meetings, career and internship help, and support to attend diversity conferences.

Advising
Four academic check-ins per semester with scholarship advisor.
Staff provide referrals and support as needed.

Read more and apply
Young Women in Science and Engineering Investigators

Established in 2012

12th year of serving Dallas and Richardson ISDs. High school teams mentored by UTD faculty and students during a 9-month long research competition.

Students presented their research posters in a virtual competition in April 2020.

73% of this year’s participants were underrepresented minorities.

Read more
Established in 2000 to help high potential, first generation college students, the Academic Bridge Program has served 760 students and experienced 20 years of special funding by the Texas Legislature.
UT Dallas is currently ranked the #1 most LGBTQ-friendly campus in Texas.

(Campus Pride Index)
AY20 undergraduate enrollment growth was shallow, but will make gains.

Graduate enrollment is affected by decline in international students.

Figures current as of September 14, 2020
In AY2020-2021, Provost Musselman is piloting a program to increase the number and quality of incoming doctoral students in programs in BBS and EPPS.
First Time in College Freshmen

Growth stalled in AY21 because of the pandemic.

Figures current as of September 14, 2020
Progress Toward Quantitative Targets for Academic Year 2022-23

Academic Space

- Academic Space Target: 2.300

An ambitious goal to address instructional and research needs for a fast-growing university.
Progress Toward Quantitative Targets for Academic Year 2022-23

Tenure-System Faculty

Aggressive hiring plan has been hindered by the pandemic.

T-S FACULTY TARGET: 710

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Robust research endeavors have brought significant growth in 3 years.
Progress Toward Quantitative Targets for Academic Year 2022-23

Four-Year* and Six-Year** Graduation Rates

The ORBIT programs are helping improve retention for first-year students. UTD is among the top 3 public universities in Texas for graduation rates.

*Percentage of FTIC freshmen who arrived four years prior to the census date and had graduated.

**Percentage of FTIC freshmen who arrived six years prior to the census date and had graduated.
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Endowment (millions)

New comprehensive campaign will help reach the target.
What Lies Ahead
UT System is providing $90 million in PUF funds for a new research building:

*UT Dallas/UT Southwestern Translational Biomedical Engineering and Science Building*
Implementing recommendations of the Living Our Values task force and other advisory committees

1. Consider new academic programs in African and African Diaspora Studies
2. Launch the inaugural Police Oversight Committee
3. Promote nondiscrimination training for fraternities and sororities
4. Enhance diversity and inclusion training for faculty and staff
5. Enhance the accessibility of a UT Dallas education for individuals with disabilities
6. Conduct a campus climate survey and needs assessment
7. Support Employee Resource Groups
8. Expand outreach, recruitment and orientation programs for underrepresented student populations

Read more
Sciences Building

The Sciences Building, completed in Summer 2020, includes lecture halls, spacious laboratories, several classrooms and study spaces. It is the new home of the Department of Physics.

The 187,000 sq. ft. building was recently awarded with LEED Gold certification.
Campus Landscape Enhancement: Phase 3

Phase 3 will enhance the pedestrian experience, improve signage at the entrances to campus, restore Cottonwood Creek and create a tree canopy through the campus core.
**UT Dallas DART station opens in 2022 on the Silver Line**

The UT Dallas station on the Dallas Area Rapid Transit’s Silver Line is underway.

The 26-mile commuter rail line will cross through Collin, Dallas and Tarrant counties, taking passengers from Plano to the Dallas Fort Worth International Airport.
87th Texas Legislature Funding Priorities

1. Maintain Formula Funding Gains from 86th Legislature

2. Maintain Funding for the Texas Research Incentive Program (TRIP)

3. Restore 5% Cuts

4. Reimburse COVID-19 Costs
Texas Research Incentive Program (TRIP) backlog total as of May 2020: $234.8M
What's at Stake in Future Years?

- Sufficient Reserves for Campus Upgrades
- Increasing the Number of T/TT Faculty
- Merit Increases
- Expanding Athletic Programs or Facilities
- Strategic Priorities
- Debt Service for New Construction and Renovations
- Revenue Incentive Programs and Alternative Allocation Models
- Infrastructure Support and Expansion
Positive trends in philanthropic giving, alumni donors, endowment

- **$47.2M** in philanthropic gifts
- **19.1%** increase in number of gifts from FY19
- **16,003** gifts from **8,398** donors
- **4.04%** alumni giving participation

Highest percentage to date
113% increase since FY14, 23% over FY19
In commemoration of UT Dallas’ 50th anniversary, Comets Giving Day lasted 1,969 minutes and its efforts were focused on raising funds for Student Emergency Funds. Despite the pandemic, the fourth-annual event was record-breaking with 2,644 gifts and over $1.1M raised for more than 70 causes.
Planned Gift for Student Travel Honors Rick Brettell

The Rob Kendall and Tony Holmes Travel Award To Honor Rick Brettell will support travel for UT Dallas students. The contribution is the University’s largest planned gift of cash recorded to date.

Read more on UT Dallas’ News Center.
The Texas Instruments Early Career Award in Electrical and Computer Engineering for scholars who have the potential to become leaders in new and emerging research fields. The $5M endowment was announced in 2019 on Founders Day during the celebration of UTD’s 50th anniversary.

Read more on UT Dallas’ News Center.
Next comprehensive campaign
To be announced in 2021
Campaign will focus on funding
to attract talented faculty and students,
to advance research and to enrich the arts.
Comets United Day

December 21, 2020