ORIENTATION 2018

Welcome New Comets
Life as a Comet

Student Success

The Campus Experience

UT Dallas at a Glance
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‣ GPA data shows improvement in grades when visiting the Student Success Center regularly

‣ 214 student employees serve as peer tutors who have scored an A- or higher in supporting courses

‣ Open to all undergraduate students

‣ No appointments necessary
‣ Schedule appointments online, by phone or in person
Peer Tutoring - Math and Science
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- MC 1.401
- Math drop in tutoring for 1000 and 2000 level courses
- Science drop in tutoring for chemistry, organic chemistry and physics
- Weekly reviews
- Virtual exam reviews
- One-on-one appointments
Peer-Led Team Learning
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- MC 1.302
- 80-minute group sessions once a week
- Students typically earn half to one grade higher than non-participants
- Student-to-Peer Leader ratio: 8:1
- Registration required
Supplemental Instruction
utdallas.edu/studentsuccess

- MC 1.302
- 40+ courses supported
- 50-90 minute sessions weekly
- Sessions based on class content
- Students typically earn half to one grade higher than non-participants
- No registration required
## What is the difference?

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Academic Success Coaching
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Assists with:
- Time management
- Prioritizing tasks
- Effective study strategies
- Note taking
- Goal setting and motivation
- Managing test anxiety
- MC 1.425 and RHNW 4.003
- successcoaching@utdallas.edu
Comet Cents
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- MC 1.413
- Free finance information
- Ways to save and invest
- Budgeting
- Credit management
- Student loans
- Avoiding identity theft
- Financial responsibility after college
- Individual appointments available
CommLab
utdallas.edu/studentsuccess

- MC 1.310 and 3.612
- Feedback/resources for oral/group presentations
- Individual/group appointments
- Supports COMM 1311 and other courses with a public speaking component
Writing Center
utdallas.edu/studentsuccess

- MC 1.310
  Build skills in:
  - Organizing and clarifying thoughts
  - Drafting and revising
  - Writing styles
  - Citing
  - Essay exams

- Note: proofreading and editing services are not provided
Academic Success Camps
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General Chemistry
For students entering CHEM 1311

Organic Chemistry
For students entering CHEM 2323

Pre-Calculus
For students entering MATH 2413/2417

College 101
For all students
Employment
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- Earn an A- or higher in supported courses
- Apply, take content exam and/or interview
- Earn certificates for peer mentoring and tutoring
- Attend an open house to learn more
View open house events

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Dean of Students
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I'm in trouble.
Dean of Students
utdallas.edu/deanofstudents

- Student Counseling Center
- Student Health Center
- Student Wellness Center
- Center for Students in Recovery
- Office of Student AccessAbility
- University Recreation
- Community Standards and Conduct
- Student Volunteerism
- Student Development
- Spirit Programs
- Student Engagement Initiatives
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Student Transition Programs
- Military and Veteran Center
- Career Center
- Student Union
UT Dallas Community

Send a text to 37607 with UTDCOMMUNITY followed by words associated with a positive campus community.
As a Comet I pledge honesty, integrity and service in all that I do.
Community Expectations

utdallas.edu/conduct

Academic Honesty
- Plagiarism
- Cheating
- Fabrication
- Collaboration/collusion
Why does academic honesty matter?
Read the code of conduct, talk with your professors and don’t procrastinate. If you don’t know, ask!
Alcohol and drug use

- U.S. drinking age is 21.
- If you are 21 or over, do not give alcohol to anyone underage.
- Alcohol is only allowed in specific areas on campus (The Pub or apartments where all residents are over 21).
- Any use of illicit substances is a violation of the Code of Conduct.

Misuse of campus property

- Do not let anyone borrow your Comet Card or login to campus computers using your NetID.
- Stealing, damaging or destroying university property is strictly prohibited.
Code of Conduct Violations

policy.utdallas.edu/utdsp5003

Breaking the law = breaking the Code of Conduct

Break the law and you could face sanctions from both the police and the university.
Community Expectations
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What could possibly go wrong?
Community Expectations
utdallas.edu/conduct

- Grade modifications
- Educational sanctions
- Warning
- Suspension
- Expulsion
- Student conduct record
**Sexual misconduct/Sexual Assault**
- Non-consensual sexual contact, non-consensual sexual intercourse or sexual exploitation

**Sexual Harassment**
- Unwelcome sexual advances
- Request for sexual favors
- Verbal or physical harassment of a sexual nature

**Stalking**
- Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause that person to fear for his or her safety or the safety of others (i.e. following, monitoring)

**Dating/Domestic Violence**
- Crime of violence committed by a current or former intimate partner
Your Rights

- Investigation
- Reporting to responsible employees
- File a police report (or not)
- Interim measures
- Counseling and other support services
- Participate in proceedings with an advisor
How can you help?
Your responsibility

What can you do?

- Recognize potential harm
- Choose to respond
- Take action

Campus security authorities
We are here to help

- Haven modules
- Student Health Center
- Student Wellness Center
- Student Counseling Center
- Galerstein Gender Center
- Multicultural Center
Resources

- **Report to the Police**
  911 or UT Dallas Police, 972-883-2222

- **Title IX Initiatives**
  Brandy Davis, 972-883-5202

- **File a complaint/express concerns**
  Dean of Students, 972-883-6391

- **Counseling Center**
  972-883-2575

- **Student Health Center**
  972-883-2747

- **Residential Life Coordinators**
- **Multicultural Center**
  972-883-6390

- **Galerstein Gender Center**
  972-883-6555

- **Dean of Students Office**
  972-883-6391
dos@utdallas.edu
SSB 4.400
The Campus Experience
State certified police department

- Patrol of campus grounds and facilities
- Enforcement of traffic laws on campus
- Department of jurisdiction for reported crimes

Programs

- Self defense program for men and women
- Crime prevention and safety programs

Services

- Student patrol
- Safe walk campus escort
- Self defense classes
- Vehicle assists
National Council of Home Safety and Security ranked UT Dallas 23rd in the country, #1 in Texas out of 2,167 campuses with enrollment of at least 15,000

- Annual security report
- Crimes against persons
- Stranger-on-stranger crime
- General theft
- Bicycle theft
- Open carry vs. campus carry
- Knives on campus
- Pepper spray
- Tasers / stun guns
UT Dallas has partnered with VBikes to bring an expanded bike-sharing program to campus.

VBikes can be rented and returned to any bike rack on campus.
Emergency Management

Emergency notification system
- Email
- Text message
- Voicemail
- Outdoor warning system
- UT Dallas homepage
- Campus lockdown

Community emergency response team
- Student enrollment encouraged

Families text **UTD ALERT** to 888777 to signup for emergency notifications.
Students sign up at utdallas.edu/textme
EMERGENCY CONTACTS

- Police / Fire / Ambulance
  911
- UT Dallas Police
  972-883-2222
- Emergency Management
  972-883-2420
- Environmental Health and Safety
  972-883-4111
- Facilities Management
  972-883-2141
- Energy Management Services
  972-883-2147

EVACUATE when building alarms sound
- Leave the building immediately
- Don’t use elevators, assist the disabled

LOCKDOWN when given the order
- Stay in your room or building
- Lock or barricade doors, close blinds, turn off lights

SEEK SHELTER when outdoor warning sounds
- Find a safe room away from doors/windows
- Listen for instruction from the indoor warning system
For more information

Dean of Students Office
Student Services Building, SSB 4.400
972-883-6391
dos@utdallas.edu

Larry Zacharias
UT Dallas Police Chief
Police, PD 1.802
972-883-2222
larry.zacharias@utdallas.edu
UT Dallas at a Glance
Comet Camp
utdallas.edu/cometcamp
July & August
25-27 & 1-3
Convocation
Sunday, August 19
Weeks of Welcome
utdallas.edu/weeksofwelcome
August 19 - 31
Student Leadership Programs
utdallas.edu/leadership
Freshman Engaging in Service Together

utdallas.edu/volunteer
Freshman Ignite
Comet Families
utdallas.edu/family

Newsletter:
› 3 per semester

Comet Families Ambassadors:
› Orientation
› Memories on the Mall
› Homecoming

Helpline:
› 844-UTD-FMLY (844-883-3659)
› Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
› Follow Comet Families on social media
Family Day
utdallas.edu/familyday
Saturday, Oct. 13
UT Dallas at a Glance
Bursar, Financial Aid and Registrar

Financial Aid
- Disbursement to student bursar accounts begins the first day of class each term.
- View account status at utdallas.edu/ezpay.

Bursar
- Bills and collects tuition and fees.
- Answers questions about tuition plans and student accounts.
- Short-term loans.

The Bursar’s Office and Office of Financial Aid will have an optional session at noon in the SSA Auditorium on day two of orientation.
University Bookstore
utdallas.edu/bookstore

UT Dallas gear and textbooks
- Order online, pickup in store
- Save 25 percent on used textbooks

Technology Store
- Discounted software
- Computer accessories
- Located in the Visitor Center

Post Office
Shuttle Service and Zipcar
utdallas.edu/parking

DART bus
- Shuttle bus service on - and off - campus (limited area - 883 route)
- Shuttle stops at Walmart (Friday/Sunday) and Collin Creek Mall (Monday-Sunday)
- Passes available to all registered students (includes bus and rail)
Shuttle Service and Zipcar
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VBikes
$1 per hour or $14.95 per month.

Parking
Parking permits
Comet Cabs
TollTags

Booster Fuel
Zipcar
Car sharing available for students 18+.
$8-10 hourly rate. Includes gas, insurance and up to 180 miles.
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Student AccessAbility
utdallas.edu/studentaccess

Services

- Academic accommodations for students with documented physical, mental or sensory disability
- Resources and referral information
- Advocacy and support

Office
SSB 3.200
972-883-2098
Student Health Center
utdallas.edu/healthcenter

Services
Diagnosis and treatment of acute illness, minor injuries, stabilized chronic illness, allergy injections, pharmacy services. Limited onsite radiology services and dental screenings.

Online appointment scheduling
utdallas.edu/healthcenter

Insurance
Available at utdallas.edu/insurance
Student Wellness Center
utdallas.edu/studentwellness

Promotes health, fitness and responsible personal choices through group programs and individual consultations.

**Programs and topics**

- Nutrition
- Comet Voice: bystander intervention
- Alcohol and other drugs
- Sexual assault prevention
- Sexual responsibility
- Men’s and women’s health
- Suicide prevention
- Stress management
- Healthy relationships
- Homesickness
- Roommate issues
Student Counseling Center
utdallas.edu/counseling

Confidential, free services for students in a safe, culturally affirming setting.

Services
Individual, group and couple counseling. Better manage anxiety, depression and other mental health concerns. Explore and gain awareness around identities and relationships.
Center for Students in Recovery
utdallas.edu/recovery

Services
- Addiction recovery counseling
- Assessments
- 12-step meetings
- SMART recovery
- Eating disorder support group
- Sober social events

- Service opportunities
- Students for Recovery (Student Organization)

Contact CSR
972-883-7320
recovery@utdallas.edu
Career Center
utdallas.edu/career

Services
- Career advising
- Career interest assessments
- Resume assistance
- Mock interview training
- On-campus job interviews
- Job listings (on-and off-campus)

Programs
- Career seminars
- Career expos/fairs
- Explore the WOW!
- Job shadowing
- Internships
- Employer networking events
Galerstein Gender Center
utdallas.edu/gendercenter

Fosters a safe and inclusive environment by advocating for gender equality and diversity through leadership, development, education, programs and services.

- Advocate for inclusive campus policies and practices
- Educate campus community on gender and LGBT+ topics
- Resources, mentors, scholarships, internships and volunteer opportunities
Multicultural Center
utdallas.edu/multicultural

Promotes cultural awareness on campus and provides an area for students to meet and dialogue.

**Cultural celebrations**
- Asian American Heritage Month
- Black History Month
- European Heritage celebration
- Hispanic Heritage Month

**Programs**
- Native American Heritage celebration
- Multicultural Peer Advocates
- Diversity Merit Scholars
- Diversity Dinner Dialogues
Military and Veteran Center
utdallas.edu/veterans

Supports students who served in the military, are currently serving in the military (active duty, National Guard, Reserves), ROTC cadets and military family members.

- Academic success
- Professional development
- Networking
- Campus navigation
- Information about federal and state benefits, financial aid, scholarship and veteran support services
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Student Government
utdallas.edu/sg

Representative body and voice of UT Dallas students.

Services include:
- Legal counsel
- Comet Discount Program
Student Union & Activities Advisory Board (SUAAB)

- Homefest celebration
- Events, bands, comedians, speakers, splatter dance, casino night, Springapalooza

Meteor Theater

- Mainstream, classic and blockbuster films
- Cosmic film festival, drive-in movies, Cinematheque, cinema camp workshops
Comet Spirit Programs
utdallas.edu/spirit

Spirit programs include Cheerleading, Power Dancers and the mascot, Temoc.

- Cheerleaders and Power Dancers appear at home basketball and volleyball games and various campus and community events
- Compete at NCA Collegiate Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship in Daytona, FL
Student Organization Center
utdallas.edu/soc

320+ student organizations
- Academic interest
- Art and music
- Cultural
- Departmental/educational
- Greek
- Honor
- Political
- Religious
- Service
- Special interest
- Sponsored
Fraternity and Sorority Life
utdallas.edu/gogreek

1K Students
25 Chapters
4 Councils
Student Volunteerism
utdallas.edu/volunteer

Year-round group volunteer events, including:

- Viva Volunteer
- Alternative Spring Break
- National Volunteer Week
- Earth Week
- Community Garden Program
- Butterfly Flutter by Monarch Waystation
- Operation Upcycle
- Donation drives
- Advocacy and awareness activities
University Recreation
utdallas.edu/urec

Open seven days a week.

Indoor Facilities

- Activity Center - racquetball, squash and basketball courts
- Fitness center and programs
- Pool and aquatics program
- Climbing wall
- Lockers and equipment checkout
- Multipurpose fitness room
University Recreation
utdallas.edu/urec

Recreation Center West
- Fitness center and programs
- Gym courts for badminton and volleyball
- Multipurpose fitness room

Outdoor Facilities
- Basketball courts
- Soccer fields
- Tennis courts
- Disc golf course
- Multipurpose fields
- Sand volleyball courts
University Recreation
utdallas.edu/urec

Intramural Sports
Compete against other college students in leagues and tournaments such as flag football, soccer, tennis, dodgeball and more.

Club Sports
Student-run organizations that travel and compete against other schools regionally and nationally.
Varsity Athletics
cometsports.utdallas.edu

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Golf
Soccer
Softball
Tennis
Volleyball
Road Warriors serves the commuter student population by providing information, resources and social programs.

**Services**
- Point of contact for commuter students
- Socialize with commuter students
- Campus involvement information
- Road Warriors email list

**Contact**
972-883-6171
newstudentprograms@utdallas.edu
SSA 14.431
Experience Dallas

- **Free Trips** (Tickets and transportation)
  Past events have included the Nasher Sculpture Center, Dallas Stars hockey game and Lion King, the musical
- **Free Dart Transit Passes**

- **Discount Tickets from the Comet Card Office**
  Past events have included Fort Worth Zoo, Dallas World Aquarium, Six Flags Over Texas and more.
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