FACT SHEET 2016–17

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MISSION
To provide an excellent, research-oriented education in science that fosters the success of its students, discover important new knowledge through research, and create an intellectually and scientifically enriched environment that advances the economic and technological development of Texas and the nation.

361 faculty

ACADEMIC UNITS
Department of Astronomy
Department of Chemistry
Department of Computer Science
Department of Human Development and Family Sciences
Department of Integrative Biology
Department of Marine Science
Department of Mathematics
Department of Molecular Biosciences
Department of Neuroscience
Department of Nutritional Sciences
Department of Physics
Department of Statistics and Data Sciences
Division of Textiles and Apparel

OUR STUDENTS
Largest college at The University of Texas at Austin
10,975 undergraduates (Fall 2016 – includes double majors)
1,229 graduate students (Fall 2016)
Recent undergraduate student award winners:

OUR FACULTY
361 faculty
1 Nobel Laureate
19 members of the National Academies
47 recipients of Regents’ Outstanding Teaching Awards
21 fellows of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences
34 members of the University’s Academy of Distinguished Teachers
1 Abel Prize winner
2 Turing Award winners
3 Wolf Prize winners
3 winners of National Medals of Science
1 recipient of the National Medal of Technology and Innovation
1 Howard Hughes Medical Investigator
2 Howard Hughes Early Career Scientists
TOP-TEN RANKED PROGRAMS
(U.S. News & World Report 2015)

Analytical Chemistry  4th  
Applied Math       10th  
Artificial Intelligence  7th  
Computer Science  9th  
Computer Science–Systems  8th  
Computer Science–Theory  10th  
Cosmology/Relativity/Gravity  9th  
Ecology, Evolution and Behavior  7th  
Mathematics–Analysis  8th  
Plasma Physics  3rd  
Programming Language  8th  
Topology  8th

EXTERNAL FUNDING

$116 million in extramural funding  
(Annual three-year average 2011–14)

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Astronomy  
Biochemistry  
Cell and Molecular Biology  
Chemistry  
Computational and Applied Mathematics  
Computer Science  
Ecology, Evolution and Behavior  
Human Development and Family Sciences  
Marine Science  
Mathematics  
MD-PhD  
Microbiology  
Nanoscience and Nanotechnology Portfolio  
Neuroscience  
Nutritional Sciences  
Physics  
Plant Biology  
Statistics

COLLEGE CENTERS & INSTITUTES

Brackenridge Field Laboratory  
Center for Brain, Behavior, and Evolution  
Center for Computational Biology and Bioinformatics  
Center for Electrochemistry  
Center for Learning and Memory  
Center for Nano and Molecular Science and Technology  
Center for Systems and Synthetic Biology  
Charles A. Dana Center for Mathematics and Science Education  
Culture Collection of Algae  
Imaging Research Center  
Institute for Cellular and Molecular Biology  
LaMontagne Center for Infectious Disease  
Marine Science Institute  
McDonald Observatory  
Plant Resources Center  
Texas Institute for Discovery Education in Science (TIDES)  
Texas Materials Institute  
Waggoner Center for Alcohol and Addiction Research

DEPARTMENT CENTERS & INSTITUTES

Artificial Intelligence Laboratory  
Center for Complex Quantum Systems  
Center for Green Chemistry and Catalysis  
Center for High Energy Density Science  
Center for Information Assurance and Security  
Center for Nonlinear Dynamics  
Institute for Fusion Studies  
Institute for Theoretical Chemistry  
Weinberg Theory Group

INNOVATIVE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Career Services  
CNS Cornerstones  
Freshman Research Initiative  
Honors Center:  
  • Dean’s Scholars  
  • Health Science Scholars  
  • Polymathic Scholars  
Peer Leader Academy  
Texas Interdisciplinary Plan  
Turing Scholars  
UTEach  
Women in Natural Sciences

12 top-ten ranked programs

11,561 undergraduate & graduate students