

UTRGV: How Far We Have Come and Where We are Going

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As We Conclude Our 8th Year



We have grown our enrollment substantially

- 4353 total students 15.8%
- 1160 graduate students 36.9%
- 825 doctoral students 240%
- Graduated over 50,000 students (equivalent to 3% of the RGV population)
- Fall 2023 enrollment 31,931

We have added a wide range of new programs

- 16 Bachelor's degrees
- 15 Master's degrees
- 5 Doctoral degrees
- 4 Professional degrees (M.D., DPM, DNP, Doctor of Occupational Therapy)



As We Conclude Our 8th Year (Continued)

- We have made significant investments in the Rio Grande Valley
 - Net worth of UTRGV has grown from \$737 million to \$1.1 billion (52.1%)
 - Operating revenues have grown from \$478 million to \$705 million (47.5%)
 - Number of employees has increased from 5265 to 7401 (40.58%)
 - Increased minimum wage for FTEs to \$16.25 and students to \$12
 - Provided salary increases each of the past eight years (\$63 million total)
 - Have invested over \$813 million in new construction and renovation
 - 12 completed buildings and 11 in progress across the RGV
 - 35 major renovations completed and 11 more in progress
- We have built a significant research enterprise
 - Have increased research expenditures from \$20.78m to \$82.44m
 - Have developed research foci in (1) diabetes and obesity; (2) human genetics; (3) neurosciences; (4) cancer; (5) rail safety; (6) additive manufacturing; (7) coastal studies among other things





As We Conclude Our 8th Year (continued)



We have developed a new model of higher education finance that

- Is designed to minimize student debt
- Limits tuition and mandatory fees to the maximum payout of a Pell Grant + Texas Grant
- Guarantees tuition & mandatory fee rate for 4 years for all undergraduates
- Limits tuition & mandatory fees to 12 hours anything over 12 hours is free
- Provides free tuition & mandatory fees for Texas residents in good academic standing whose family income is \$125,000 or less

As a result,

- 86% of UTRGV undergraduates pay no tuition and fees
- UTRGV undergraduates have the third lowest debt load in the U.S.
- 4-year graduation rates have increased from 24.7% to 34.1% (38%)



As We Conclude Our 8th Year (continued)

- We have assisted in workforce and economic development (FY23)
 - 3,274 business and community clients served
 - 109 businesses created or expanded
 - \$9 million in capital formation
 - 619 jobs created
- We have expanded healthcare in the Rio Grande Valley (FY23)
 - 60,105 patients seen
 - 29 UTRGV health sites around the RGV
 - Podiatrists began seeing patients on 9/11/23
 - 211 medical students; 256 medical residents; 61 students in podiatry





Recognition As We Conclude Our 8th Year



Washington Monthly

- # 60 among national universities; #31 among public universities
- #1 among all Texas universities
- #1 in Texas for social mobility; #1 in Texas for lowest net price of attendance; #1 in Texas for performance of Pell Grant students

U.S. News and World Reports

- #227 among all universities (up 72 places); #123 among publics
- #62 among all universities for undergraduate teaching
- Degree Choices (based on relative economic value of universities)
 - #15 among all universities; # 7 among all publics
- Third Way (based on an economic mobility index)
 - # 6 among all universities



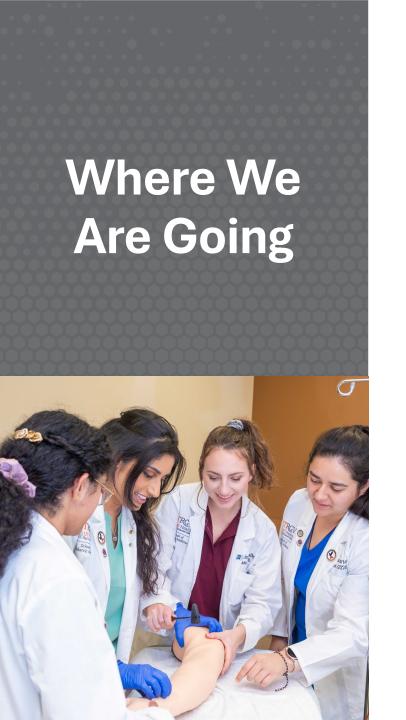
Where We Are Going

Coming soon

- \$410.8 million in new construction and renovation over the short term
- Continued enrollment growth, especially among graduate and professional students
- Continued addition of new programs (not an exhaustive list)
 - Ph.D. in Computer Science (Fall 2024)
 - Doctor of Physical Therapy (Fall 2025)
 - Doctor of Optometry (in the approval process but anticipate Fall 2027)
- Continued hiring to keep pace with enrollment growth and new programs
- Recognition as a research university
 - Emerging Research University status (Fall 2024)
 - Carnegie R1 status (2030)







Expanded medical education and healthcare

- Increase the size of the first-year medical school class
- Implement new residency programs with HCA (2025)
- Implement residency programs for podiatry
- Open the Cancer and Surgery Center in McAllen (2025)
- Create a diabetes management and limb preservation center (2024/25)

Expanded Luminary Scholarships

 Provide the best students in the RGV with scholarships that span both their undergraduate and graduate education in exchange for a commitment to live and work in the RGV after graduation



Where We Are Going

- Expanded student life and athletics
 - Construct new housing and dining on the Edinburg campus (Fall 2026)
 - Expand student activities marching band and spirit squads (2024)
 - Begin women's swimming and diving (2024)
 - Begin playing football (2025)













Thank You

