



# **UTRGV After 10 years**

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**A DECADE OF GREATNESS**



# UTRGV in 2025

## Began AY25 with an enrollment of over 35,000

- About **85%** are undergraduate students; about **3%** are in doctoral or professional programs
- About **94%** of undergraduates and **75%** of grad/prof. students are Hispanic/Latino
- Almost two-thirds of undergraduates are Pell Grant eligible; **78%** of students who receive some sort of financial aid are Pell eligible



ABOUT  
**55%**

of undergraduates are  
first generation students

ALMOST  
**2/3**

of undergraduates are  
full time students

OVER  
**88%**

of undergraduates are  
traditional in terms of  
age (under 24)

ABOUT  
**1,200**

are collegiate high  
school/dual credit students





# UTRGV 10 Years In

## Texas' largest distributor of need-based financial aid

- During 2025-26, UTRGV will distribute over **\$125 million** in Pell Grants
- During 2025-26, UTRGV will distribute close to **\$60 million** in Texas Grants
- During 2025-26, UTRGV will distribute **\$25 million** in institutional funds





# UTRGV 10 Years In

## **We are built on 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 fees for 4 years for **all undergraduates**
- Provides free tuition & mandatory fees for qualifying Texas residents in good academic standing whose family income is **\$125,000 or less**

## **As a result,**

- **91% of UTRGV fulltime undergraduates pay no tuition or fees**
- UTRGV undergraduates have the lowest debt load in Texas public 4-yr institutions
- 4-year graduation rates have increased from **24.7% to 36.3%**
- UTRGV students have the best Return on Investment in Texas



# Progress over 10 years

## Enrollment

**35,000+**

UTRGV (2015-2025)

**8,009**

UTB (2014-2015)

**21,015**

UTPA (2014-2015)

## 1st Yr. Retention Rate

**80.1%**

UTRGV (2015-2025)

**71.1%**

UTB (2014-2015)

**76.1%**

UTPA (2014-2015)

## Four-Year Graduation Rate

**36.3%**

UTRGV (2015-2025)

**12.4%**

UTB (2014-2015)

**20.6%**

UTPA (2014-2015)

## Six-Year Graduation Rate

**54.3%**

UTRGV (2015-2025)

**27.6%**

UTB (2014-2015)

**44.8%**

UTPA (2014-2015)

## Time to Degree (years)

**4.7**

UTRGV (2015-2025)

**5.8**

UTB (2014-2015)

**5.1**

UTPA (2014-2015)

## Total Academic Cost of Degree

**\$4,512**

UTRGV (2015-2025)

**\$11,298**

UTB (2014-2015)

**\$4,631**

UTPA (2014-2015)

## Average Debt Load

**\$15,660**

UTRGV (2015-2025)

**\$25,182**

UTB (2014-2015)

**\$17,093**

UTPA (2014-2015)

## Research Expenditures

**\$103.7**

MILLION  
UTRGV (2015-2025)

**\$5.8**

MILLION  
UTB (2014-2015)

**\$11.3**

MILLION  
UTPA (2014-2015)

## Total External Fundraising

**\$302.8**

MILLION  
UTRGV (2015-2025)

**\$1.7**

MILLION  
UTB (2014-2015)

**\$4.4**

MILLION  
UTPA (2014-2015)



# Recognition After 10 Years

## 2026 U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges Rankings

**#213**  
nationally among  
all universities  
(up 86 places in three years)

**#118**  
nationally  
among public  
universities

**#56**  
nationally among  
Most Innovative  
universities (debut)

**#1**  
in Texas among  
top performers  
for Social Mobility

## 2025 Washington Monthly Rankings

**#1**  
in Texas

**#7**  
Nationally

**#3**  
nationally among  
top doctoral  
universities

**#2**  
Best Hispanic  
Serving University  
in the nation

**#2**  
Best Bang for the  
Buck among  
Southern Colleges

## 2025 Wall Street Journal/College Pulse Social Mobility

**#1**  
in Texas for  
Best Value among  
public universities

**#1**  
in Texas for  
Best Social Mobility  
among all universities

**#5** overall among public  
Texas universities



# UTRGV 10 Years In

## We have expanded health care in the RGV. In 2025:

- **24 health sites** around the RGV saw more than **127,199 patients** (FY25)
- **225** medical students; **288** graduates since 2016
- **123** medical residents; **449** graduates since 2016
- **109** students in podiatric medicine





# UTRGV 10 Years In

## We have assisted in workforce & economic development. In 2025:

- **3,116** business and community clients were served
- **109** businesses were created or expanded and **1,950** jobs created or saved
- **\$7.2 million** in capital formation was developed and **\$154 million** in new sales and contracts





# UTRGV 10 Years In

## **We have made significant investments in our faculty and staff**

- 10 consecutive years of either merit or equity adjustments or both
- Over **\$80 million** in salary adjustments
- More than **1500 new positions**

## **We have made significant investments in facilities**

- More than **\$813 million** in new facilities
- **12** new buildings and **35** major renovations
- **\$410 million** in new construction and renovation planned over the next few years



**UTRGV**

THE FUTURE OF TEXAS

**10<sup>TH</sup>**

2015

ANNIVERSARY

2025

Welcome to the  
#FIRSTCLASS  
UTRGV

2016  
UTRGV