

The University of Texas at Tyler was established in 1971 as Tyler State College, renamed as Texas Eastern University in 1975, and joined The University of Texas System as The University of Texas at Tyler in 1979. The university is dedicated to supporting students primarily within the 14-county East Texas region. However, UT Tyler students also come from around the United States and from dozens of countries around the world.

The University offers more than 80 undergraduate and graduate degree programs, including two Ph.D. programs and two professional doctoral degrees. The university awards approximately 2,000 degrees a year. The University is organized into six academic colleges: Arts and Sciences, Business and Technology, Education and Psychology, Engineering, Nursing and Health Sciences, and Pharmacy.

The University of Texas at Tyler is one of eight academic institutions within The University of Texas System. The University is therefore subject to all policies and procedures within The University of Texas System. The University of Texas at Tyler is governed locally through the University President, and is also subject to all decisions made by The University of Texas System Board of Regents and the System Chancellor.

The University of Texas Tyler employs more than 950 full-time employees, including full-time faculty members. The University receives revenue from a variety of sources, including state appropriations, federal appropriations, philanthropic donations, and tuition revenue.

UT Tyler Vision:

The University of Texas at Tyler will be nationally recognized as a destination university for high-ability, flagship-capable students. UT Tyler will be the premier public university in Texas, offering challenging academic programs and an exciting, personal university experience with smaller classes, service opportunities, and a residential, park-like campus that encourages learning.

UT Tyler Mission Statement:

The University of Texas at Tyler is a comprehensive institution of higher education offering undergraduate and graduate degree programs as an institution of the renowned University of Texas System. The University of Texas at Tyler's vision is to be nationally recognized for its high quality education in the professions and in the humanities, arts and sciences, and for its distinctive core curriculum. Guided by an outstanding and supportive faculty, its graduates will understand and appreciate human diversity and the global nature of the new millennium. They will think critically, act with honesty and integrity, and demonstrate proficiency in leadership, communication skills, and the use of technology.

The university is committed to providing a setting for free inquiry and expects excellence in the teaching, research, artistic performances and professional public service provided by its faculty, staff, and students. As a community of scholars, the university develops the individual's critical

thinking skills, appreciation of the arts, humanities and sciences, international understanding for participation in the global society, professional knowledge and skills to enhance economic productivity, and commitment to lifelong learning.

Within an environment of academic freedom, students learn from faculty scholars who have nationally recognized expertise in the arts and sciences, and in such professions as engineering, public administration, education, business, health sciences, and technology. The faculty engages in research and creative activity, both to develop and maintain their own scholarly expertise and to extend human knowledge. The results of that research and other creative efforts are made available to students in the classroom and to the general public through publication, technology transfer, and public service activities.

The institution also seeks to serve individuals who desire to enhance their professional development, broaden their perspectives, or enrich their lives.