A parking permit is required to park at the Main or Downtown campus unless the vehicle is parked in a short-term paid space or in the South Parking Garage at the Main campus, which also provides paid spaces at the rate of $2.00 per hour.

- UTSA Parking and Transportation Services offers students a wide array of parking permits and prices to best fit the needs of each student. Before purchasing your permit, review a complete description of each parking permit, including cost, by referring to a Student Parking Brochure or visit [http://www.utsa.edu/auxiliary/parking.html](http://www.utsa.edu/auxiliary/parking.html).

- Purchase your UTSA Parking Permit on-line through ASAP. You can access and update Your Parking Account, register your vehicle, and view your Parking Account. Permits ordered online will be mailed to the address listed by the applicant and should be received within 3-5 business days. Payment options include E-check, Visa, American Express, Master Card, Discover credit cards, and the ability to add the fee to your Tuition and Fee bill.

Parking Violations
- University citations are issued for offenses listed in Parking and Traffic Rules & Regulations, Section VII: Driving and Parking Offenses: [http://www.utsa.edu/auxiliary/rulesandregs.html](http://www.utsa.edu/auxiliary/rulesandregs.html)

- Any person receiving a University citation must remit the amount of the charge or submit an appeal within 14 days after issuance of the citation.

- Failure to pay or appeal the citation within 14 calendar days will result in a $10 late fee per citation. Unpaid citations can result in student financial holds, preventing students from receiving grades, refunds, official transcripts, or graduating. Multiple violations within one academic year may result in suspension of driving and parking privileges on campus and/or disciplinary action.

Park & Ride
- Two VIA Park & Ride locations offer the convenience of parking without a permit and accessing campus using the VIA routes 93 or 94. The University Park & Ride is located below the IH 10 and Loop 1604 interchange. The Crossroads Park & Ride is located at 151 Crossroads Blvd. Students must purchase a VIA bus pass to utilize this service.

Tip #1: Parking at UTSA

- There are two university locations where you can purchase or rent your books. At the Main campus, you can purchase books at the University Center in the bookstore on the 1st floor. At the Downtown campus, visit the bookstore in the Buena Vista Building on the 1st floor. (Note: Books for classes held downtown are only sold or rented at the downtown bookstore. Books for classes held at the Main campus are only sold at the Main campus.)

- L&M Bookstore has two locations to serve you:
  - 1716 N. Main Ave. (behind San Antonio College), San Antonio, TX (210) 222-1323
  - 15503 Babcock Rd. (Across Loop 1604 from Main Campus), San Antonio, TX (210) 695-8872

- You can also purchase your books online: [www.UTSA.bkstr.com](http://www.UTSA.bkstr.com)
The myUTSA email account will be a primary source of communication between the university and you. If you would like the University to communicate with you via a personal email, you can request this on ASAP.

Your myUTSA ID will be your login for Student Labs, Lab Print Stations, and use of AirRowdy (Free Wireless Internet) on campus. You must activate this computer logon account before being granted access to any SCS computer system. Visit any of the lab Help Desks for further information or to activate your account. Your UTSA Card (see tip #7) displaying the Banner system student number will speed the processing of your lab account. This account will also allow access to UTSA’s Wireless Network.

**Tip #4: Activate Your “myUTSA” Account**

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**Tip #5: Using ASAP**

- ASAP is the Automated Student Access Program which will provide you with the access to the most important information you will need while attending UTSA. Log on at http://asap.utsa.edu.
- Through ASAP, you will be able to access grades, view your tuition & fee account summary, register for classes, purchase your parking permit, access the graduate catalog, view and accept financial aid awards, and a number of other useful resources.

**Tip #6: Computer Lab Locations**

There are computer labs available for you to use in the following locations:
- Business Building - BB 2.01.20
- John Peace Library - JPL, Library Information Commons
- Frio Street Building (DT Campus) – FS 2.400

For hours of operation please visit: [http://www.utsa.edu/oit/scs/SCS_lab_hours.cfm](http://www.utsa.edu/oit/scs/SCS_lab_hours.cfm)

**Tip #7: Your UTSA Card (UTSA ID Card) and Its Uses**

**Accessing your card:**
- You may obtain the UTSA Card at either the Main Campus office (MS 1.01.52) or the Downtown office (FS 1.506). Call (210) 458-4639 for office hours.
- A valid photo ID (driver's license, military ID, state issued ID, or current passport) is required to obtain the UTSA Card. In order to get your student ID, you must first register for at least one course.
- The UTSA Card serves as the University’s official identification card.
- It is mandatory that you carry the UTSA Card at all times while on University property.
Uses for the **UTSA Card**:

- **Rowdy Dollars**: **UTSA Card** Rowdy Dollars act as a pre-paid debit plan at all locations on campus where Rowdy Dollars are accepted. With each transaction made, the balance declines. Sufficient funds must be added to the account before transactions can be made against that balance. There are a variety of methods to add funds to your account. Please refer to [http://www.utsa.edu/utsacard/](http://www.utsa.edu/utsacard/) under Rowdy Dollars for the methods in which you can add funds to your account.

- **Copier use**: Walk-up copiers are located on the Main and Downtown Campuses. These units are capable of making 8 ½ x 11 copies. For a list of printing station locations, please visit [http://www.utsa.edu/oit/printing/locations.cfm](http://www.utsa.edu/oit/printing/locations.cfm).

- **The UTSA Card** is used to access library services, the Rec Center, and grants entrance to UTSA “home” sporting events (free of charge).

- If you have any questions, please refer to [http://www.utsa.edu/utsacard/](http://www.utsa.edu/utsacard/) for more information.

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**Tip #8: Food Service Locations**


### Main Campus

- **University Center**
  - Starbucks
  - Taco Cabana
  - Panda Express
  - Subway
  - Chili’s Too
  - Convenience Store

- **John Peace Library**
  - Chick-Fil-A
  - Subway
  - Sushic
  - Smoothie King
  - Starbucks
  - Papa John’s Pizza

- **Main Bldg**
  - Provisions on Demand

### Main Campus

- **Biotechnology, Science & Engineering**
  - Einstein Bros. Bagels

- **McKinney Humanities Bldg**
  - Provisions on Demand

- **Flawn Sciences Bldg**
  - Provisions on Demand

- **Business Bldg**
  - Extreme Pita

- **Recreation Center**
  - Smoothie King

- **Chaparral Village**
  - Roadrunner Cafe

### Downtown Campus

- **Frio Street Bldg**
  - Subway
  - Starbucks
  - Pizza Hut
  - Java City Gourmet Coffee
  - Grille Works
  - Home Zone
  - Grab ‘N Go:
    - Sushic
    - Einstein Bros. Bagels
    - Extreme Pita

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**TIPS EVERY UTSA GRADUATE STUDENT SHOULD KNOW!**
**Tip #9: Shuttle Service**

### Main Campus

**You may ride free of charge on any of the UTSA Shuttle buses.**

**On-Campus Routes:**

The Shuttle operates from 7:00 a.m. to 10:25 p.m. Monday – Thursday and 7:00 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Friday. When planning to use these shuttles, remember these important tips:

- Bad weather, rush hour traffic, and peak class times can affect schedules and seating availability. Please allow yourself 30 to 45 minutes before your scheduled class time for shuttle transportation, especially at the beginning of each semester. For passenger safety and comfort, UTSA does not allow eating, drinking, or smoking on the shuttles. Items left on the bus will be held at UTSAPD. You can reach them at (210) 458-4242 to recover lost items.
- For a map of these locations, please refer to the UTSA Student Parking brochure located online: [http://www.utsa.edu/auxiliary/shuttle.html](http://www.utsa.edu/auxiliary/shuttle.html)

**Off-Campus Routes:**

- Shuttle service is available from several apartment complexes surrounding the UTSA campus.
- The Off-Campus shuttles operate from 7:00 a.m. to 10:25 p.m. Monday – Thursday and 7:00 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Friday.

**VIA Metropolitan Transit System:**

- VIA’s bus service is designed to get riders where they need to go quickly and easily. VIA has service throughout the San Antonio area, including service between the UTSA Main and Downtown campuses. At the Main campus the VIA stop is located on the north side of campus along Margaret Tobin Avenue, near John Peace Boulevard. At the Downtown Campus the VIA stop is located at Buena Vista and Frio Streets.
- VIA routes serving the Downtown campus: 93 and 94. VIA routes serving the Main campus: 93, 94, 603, and 605. Information regarding routes, schedules, special services, fares, and additional information are located on the VIA web site [http://www.viainfo.net](http://www.viainfo.net).

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**Tip #10: FREE access to the Recreation and Wellness Center**

- All currently-enrolled students are considered members, and can use the facility at no extra charge.
- Please visit [http://www.utsa.edu/recreation/](http://www.utsa.edu/recreation/) to find out the hours of operation and the myriad of services available, which you have already paid for through your student services fee.
Tip #11: UTSA History & Traditions

- Founded by the Texas Legislature in 1969, UTSA now offers access and opportunity for more than 30,000 students overall, including over 4,000 graduate students.
- In 1973, construction began on UTSA’s original campus (now known as the Main Campus) on a 600-acre tract in the rolling foothills of San Antonio’s northwest side.
- In 1986, the UT System designated The Institute of Texan Cultures as a campus of UTSA.
- In 1997, UTSA opened the 11-acre Downtown Campus, West of IH-37 and Cesar Chavez Boulevard.
- UTSA is a member of the Southland Conference and San Antonio’s only NCAA Division I institution.
- The roadrunner, a bird representative of the Texas Hill Country and the Southwest, was voted the UTSA mascot in 1977. His name is Rowdy the Roadrunner.
- UTSA’s Homecoming began in 1985 to allow students and alumni to share in the excitement of supporting the Roadrunners and originally occurred in the spring during the UTSA Basketball season. With the start of UTSA’s football program in fall 2011, Homecoming has been moved to fall and will include many events such as tailgating and Roadrunners on the Riverwalk pep rallies.
- Texas State University in San Marcos is our main rival. Each year, UTSA fights for the right to keep an I-35 sign that is passed between the schools based on the winner of the men’s basketball game.
- Fiesta UTSA has been held as part of FIESTA for over 25 years and has been a part of the traditions at UTSA for more than 27 years. The event features food and activities in booths sponsored by student organizations, a visit by the Fiesta Royalty, and several musical performances. This event is always one of the first official events on the San Antonio FIESTA calendar and was the first FIESTA event held north of the city.
- The Official UTSA ring, sponsored by the UTSA Alumni Association since 1996, serves as a symbol of pride and accomplishment. Students receive the Official UTSA Rings in the presence of friends, family, and university dignitaries at the Official Ring Presentation Ceremony held each Fall and Spring semester.
- In December 2008, The University of Texas Board of Regents approved UTSA’s Athletic Initiative Business Plan, which granted the university permission to add a football program. The football program’s first season was in September 2011. UTSA is a NCAA Division I team and plays in Conference USA. All home games are played at the Alamo Dome.
- In spring 2013, UTSA’s graduation ceremony moved from the Main Campus Convocation Center to the Alamo Dome.
- For more information on UTSA and its rich history, please visit www.utsa.edu.