UTSA Students Have Access to New Opportunities Through UT System Virtual Career Fair

SAN ANTONIO – The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) is collaborating with fellow University of Texas (UT) System partner institutions to bring students an online career expo like never before. Students at all partnering institutions will have the opportunity to virtually network with employers from across the nation. Partnering institutions include: The University of Texas at San Antonio, The University of Texas at Austin, University of Texas Health, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, The University of Texas at Dallas, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

The UTSA University Career Center initiated this collaboration late fall semester with the idea of creating a recruitment opportunity for students across the State of Texas. Mario Vela, University Career Center Executive Director, and Regina Gomez, Interim Assistant Director of Employer Relations, connected with career services offices across the UT System to develop this one-of-a-kind experience. This event will be the first time that universities across the UT System work together in hosting a recruiting/networking event.

“The purpose of leading the UT System Virtual Career Expo is driven by UTSA's Classroom to Career initiative. At this virtual expo, students will have the ability to expand their career networks and explore a variety of industry roles they may have not been exposed to. This expo will allow UTSA to create new partnerships with national organizations and continue to grow our relationship with current partners.” Vela says.

Students can prepare for the expo by reviewing the attending employers prior to the event and preparing to interact with employers through a chat rather than a face-to-face interaction like they normally would at a traditional career fair. Students should review at what time each employer will be online to ensure that they will be in the expo while that particular employer is online. Once a student has connected with an employer in the general chat, employers can invite particular students to a private chat where they can ask more specific questions about a student’s experience and qualifications. Students can also prepare for the expo by reviewing their resume and utilizing the University Career Center’s resume templates, uploading their resume to VMock for instantaneous feedback, or by stopping by the University Career Center’s drop-in hours every Tuesday and Wednesday from 1:00pm to 4:00pm.
If you have a contact at an organization that you believe should be recruiting at this event, email Mario Vela at mario.vela@utsa.edu.

For more details about the event, including how to register and how to participate in the career expo, visit bit.ly/VirtualCareerExpo

About the University of Texas at San Antonio
The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) is a public urban serving university specializing in health, cybersecurity, energy, sustainability, and human and social development. With more than 32,000 students, it is the largest university in the San Antonio metropolitan region. UTSA advances knowledge through research and discovery, teaching and learning, community engagement and public service. The university embraces multicultural traditions and serves as a center for intellectual and creative resources as well as a catalyst for socioeconomic development and the commercialization of intellectual property—for Texas, the nation and the world. Learn more online, on Facebook, on Twitter, on Instagram or on UTSA Today.

About the University of Texas at San Antonio University Career Center
The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) University Career Center’s mission is to empower Roadrunners to discover their career by building relationships and engaging in experiences across San Antonio and the global community. The University Career Center provides students with information and resources on how to be marketable in today’s workforce. Learn more online, on Facebook, on Twitter, or on Instagram.

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