Changing the world through...

...education, leading, serving, competing
Dear Mavericks:

Champions are built here. From all-conference standouts to professional athletes and Olympians, many of the student-athletes who call UTA home develop the grit and determination it takes to become a champion. From long hours in the weight room, in the classroom, and on the court, track, or field, it is their daily obsession to excel that drives them to greatness.

This attitude is also what makes our student-athletes exceptional people when the game is over. Numerous fans and community leaders have commented on the integrity of UTA’s athletic programs. I am in complete agreement. The quality of character, the academic success, and the community service of our student-athletes carries UTA’s reputation to the far reaches of the country. This excellence defines what it means to be a Maverick and a true champion.

We concluded the 2016-17 with a strategic planning session used to define who we really are. The four strategic keys to our success are: student-athlete centric, staff retention and growth, community connection, and win championships. At the core of all we do, the UTA Athletic Department will Educate, Lead, Serve, and Compete.

Educate. Our student-athletes continue to excel in the classroom and academics. The 225 students who make up our 15 NCAA Division I programs earned a 3.01 Cumulative GPA. A total of 122 UTA student-athletes were recognized by the Sun Belt Conference as members of the league’s Commissioner’s List and Academic Honor Roll. 38 Mavericks earned their Bachelor’s or Master’s degrees resulting in the third-highest NCAA graduation success rate among ALL Division I institutions.

Lead. We continue to develop leaders within our department, on campus, in the community, and nationally. Priscilla Glenn received national grants and accolades for her research within the College of Science, and Kevin Hervey was named the Sun Belt Conference Male Student-Athlete of the Year. Additionally, we have great leaders in our head coaches with Scott Cross, John Sauerhage, and Darin Thomas all receiving the accolade of Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year for their respective sports. We’ve also added to exceptional leaders to advance our mission, naming J.T. Wenger as head coach for volleyball, and Peejay Brun as the new head coach for softball.

Serve. UTA continues to serve our community, logging over 2,200 hours of community service. The passion of our student-athletes led to the Mavericks being named the Sun Belt Community Award recipients for the second consecutive year. More than 25 student-athletes participated in community service projects in Arlington, Colorado, Africa, Uganda, the Dominican Republic, Ivory Coast, and Tijuana.

Compete. The Mavericks continued to compete at the top of the Sun Belt Conference, winning multiple titles. The Track and Field program achieved another “Triple Crown” title winning men’s cross country, men’s indoor track and field, and the outdoor track and field titles. Men’s Basketball won the Sun Belt Conference regular season title and participated in the NIT with a record crowd of 6,336 in attendance to cheer on the Mavericks. A season of titles concluded with baseball earning the western division championship.

2016-17 was another great year for the Mavericks, and we appreciate your continued support as we pursue excellence together.

Go Mavs Go,

Jim Baker
Director of Intercollegiate Athletics
Vision and Values

VISION STATEMENT
UT Arlington athletics program will dare to be great. We are developing a program that embraces and attracts high-achieving student-athletes, coaches and staff centered on a culture of winning. We will continuously strive for success in academic achievement and compliance, and operate with fiscal responsibility and integrity. We will provide competitive resources and first-class facilities for all of our sports.

MISSION STATEMENT
UT Arlington athletics program will win. We will prepare student-athletes to be successful in all aspects of their lives, and help them accomplish their academic, athletic, personal and professional goals. We will build on the legacy of our predecessors and create a “college experience” for our current students. We will engage our various constituencies, which include our University, student body, alumni, and community for their input and support. The program is devoted to equity and diversity. We will effectively tell our story to enhance brand recognition and continually build our fan support for future generations.
• The UTA men’s cross country, men’s basketball and men’s indoor track and men’s outdoor track & field teams each won Sun Belt Conference championships. The Maverick baseball team claimed the league’s West Division title.

• During the 2016-17 season, UTA intercollegiate athletic teams defeated teams from 19 different Division I athletic conferences in head-to-head competition, including in-state programs from the Big 12 and Southeastern conferences. Sports included are baseball, basketball, softball, tennis and volleyball.

• UTA student-athletes graduate at the third-highest rate among NCAA Division I institutions in the state of Texas, according to the NCAA’s most recent graduation success rate report. The 83% is the sixth highest among all Division I institutions in Texas and is the highest percentage ever for UTA since the NCAA began calculating graduation success rate for the class entering college in 1998-99.

• The UTA athletics program finished in third place by just FOUR POINTS among the 12 full-time members of the Sun Belt Conference in the Bubas Cup, a competition based on team placing in each of the league’s 18 sports. In 2016-17, UTA sponsored 14 sports – thus not receiving the full number of possible points compared its opponents.

• The UTA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee earned the Sun Belt Conference S.A.A.C. Community Service Champion award. UTA claimed two monthly awards in November and February. UTA collected 5,915 canned food items, 3,335 clothing, footwear, electronic and toiletry items and 57 toys for donation to Mission Arlington, the UT Arlington Food Pantry and Salvation Army. UTA student-athletes went into the community to speak about the importance of education and reading, and distributed 8,290 bookmarks and encouragement cards.

• A total of 122 of UTA's 220 student-athletes were recognized by the Sun Belt Conference as members of the league's Commissioner’s List (58) and Academic Honor Roll (64). Commissioner’s List honors student-athletes who maintained a 3.5 or higher grade point average during the 2016-17 academic year, while the Academic Honor Roll honors those student-athletes who maintained a GPA between 3.0 and 3.49.

• The men’s basketball team set a program record for most wins in a season with 27, won the Sun Belt Conference regular season championship and set a program record for success by advancing to the quarterfinals of the National Invitation Tournament (NIT). The team finished the season with a NCAA ratings percentage index of 40th among the 351 Division I basketball programs, the highest ranking in program history by nearly 60 places.

• Women’s track freshman Helen Falda claimed eighth place in the pole vault to earn first team All-America honors at the NCAA Track & Field Championships in Eugene, Ore. Senior Craig Lautenslager earned second team All-America honors in the 5,000-meters and Emeka Nwangwu was named honorable mention All-America in the 110-meter hurdles.
College Park Center successfully hosted the 2016 Sun Belt Conference Volleyball Championships, attracted a UTA women's basketball record crowd of 5,011 against Little Rock and two of the top five UTA men's basketball crowds in program history (6,336 vs. CSU Bakersfield and 5,390 vs. Akron, both in the National Invitation Tournament).

UTA men's basketball fans filled the second-highest percentage of available seats for its two NIT games in College Park Center among the programs that hosted at least two games in the tournament. An average of 5,863 (84%) fans filled the arena for games against Akron and CSU Bakersfield.

Men's Basketball junior Kevin Hervey was named the Sun Belt Conference Student-Athlete of the Year, the league's highest honor for individual student-athletes.

Hervey was the Sun Belt Conference Player of the Year, earned all-district honors by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) and the United States Basketball Writers of America (USBWA) and was selected honorable mention All-America by the Associated Press.

The women's basketball team finished as runner-up in the Sun Belt Conference regular season and, after advancing to the Sun Belt Championship semifinal, was invited to participate in the Women's National Invitation Tournament (WNIT). The team won the third-most games in program history for a single season and, during the season, program earned its first-ever votes in national USA Today Coaches' Poll.

Combined the men and women's basketball programs went 49-18 for a .731 winning percentage, which tied as the 18th best combined percentage in the country and the second best among Division I programs in the state of Texas.

The UTA men's basketball team owns the second most victories among Division I teams in the state of Texas over the last two seasons;

The UTA women's tennis program earned recognition by the NCAA with an Academic Progress Rate Public Recognition Award for the second time in three years. Astrid Gehre and Anna Wichert earned an at-large invitation to the NCAA Doubles Championships.

The UTA softball team featured a program record 12 student-athletes on the National Fast-pitch Coaches Association's Scholar Athlete recognition. Senior Sandra Mendoza was named to the USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year Top-50 Watch List.

Track athlete Priscilla Glen was recognized as the UTA Athletic Alumni Chapter Female Student-Athlete of the Year. She is one of the program's all-time leaders in the pole vault and recently received the National Science Foundation's Graduate Research Fellowship Award in the field of genetics. She will graduate with a degree in biology and owns a 3.927 grade point average.
Men’s cross country student-athletes Craig Lautenslager and Michael Guerrero competed at the NCAA Championships, marking the first time since 1998 the program has been represented.

UTA baseball senior Brady Cox was recognized as the UTA Athletic Alumni Chapter Male Student-Athlete of the Year for the second straight year. He was on the preseason watch list for the Johnny Bench Award as the nation’s top catcher and is a candidate for the Senior CLASS Award, given to the nation's top baseball player that shows academic success and commitment to community service.

Women’s basketball junior Rebekah VanDijk and men’s basketball graduate student Drew Charles earned recognition as the program’s B.G. Wilson Scholar-Athletes of the Year. VanDijk earned first-team all-Sun Belt honors, is active in the community and has begun graduate studies in the college of business. Charles will receive his master’s degree in business administration this spring after a career as one of the top shooters and the winningest player in program history.

Men’s golf coach Stuart Deane claimed medalist honors at the Northern Texas PGA Championships, which earned him a spot in the field at the PGA Tour’s AT&T Byron Nelson Invitational. He also finished tied for 19th at the PGA Professional Championships and participated in the 2017 PGA Championships, one of professional golf’s four “major” championships.

Women’s outdoor track & field freshman Helen Falda (pole vault), senior Craig Lautenslager (5,000-meters) and Emeka Nwangwu (110-meter hurdles) each qualified for the NCAA Championships.

Track & Field athlete Tobi Fawehinmi claimed first place in the triple jump at the World Para Athletics Championships in London, England. He finished in third place in the long jump.
From the moment student-athletes enter the university, they begin working toward their degree by enrolling only in courses that count toward their major. With the support of student services, student-athletes are able to meet a precise percentage of degree benchmarks throughout their academic career, which helps ensure eligibility and accelerate them to a four-year graduation rate.

### 2016 NCAA Graduation Success Rates
Comparison of Division I Schools in Texas & the Sun Belt Conference (Class entering 2010-11)

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While UTA student-athletes compete at the highest level in their sports, they also achieve in the classroom.

**ACADEMIC SUCCESS BY THE NUMBERS**

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**Additional academic honors for 2016-17 include:**

- 30 Student Athletes earned all-league honors in their sport
- 7 Honored with special conference awards for competitive success

### 2016 - 17 Athletic Graduates

#### Baseball
- Brady Cox - Interdisciplinary Studies
- Thomas Hillman - Admin. Finance
- Jacob Moreland - Interdisciplinary Studies
- Adam Meyer - Management/Marketing
- Colton Turner - University Studies

#### Softball
- Holly Murphree - Fine Arts
- Rebecca Stokes - Communications (PR)
- Marisa Datko - Finance/Accounting
- Mallory Foster - Criminology
- Calin Sims - Exercise Science

#### Men’s Track
- Connor McGuire - Interdisciplinary Studies
- David Brefo - Exercise Science
- Grant Copeland - Biomedical Engineering
- Ryan De Leon - Exercise Science
- Tobi Fawehinmi - Exercise Science
- Karl Goodman - Exercise Science
- Reginald Hinson - University Studies
- Craig Lautenslager - Computer Science
- Maliq Mustapha - Communication Technology
- Simba Walker-Williams - Exercise Science
- Christian Schiemann - Civil Engineering

#### Women’s Track
- Megan Thompson - Communication (PR)
- Alison Williams - Communication (PR)
- Priscilla Glenn - Biology
- Katelyn Hayward - Interdisciplinary Studies
- Ambria Tisdell - Interdisciplinary Studies
- Latricia Brooks - Social Work

#### Men’s Basketball
- Morgan Holly - Communications Studies
- Jamaika Hughes - Social Work
- Breck Clark - University Studies
- Allyson Te’o - Kinesiology
- Rebekah VanDijk - Accounting

#### Women’s Basketball
- Nathan Hawkins - Psychology
- Jorge Bilbao - Intern’l Business/Spanish/Marketing
- Drew Charles - Business Administration
- Colten Gober - History
- Jalen Jones - Interdisciplinary Studies
- Link Kabadyundi - Communication Studies
- Faith Pope - University Studies

#### Volleyball
- Briana Sharratt - Communication Studies
- Cassidy Wheeler - Exercise Science

#### Men’s Tennis
- Carlos Arbiza - Information Systems

#### Women’s Tennis
- Jessica Birowski - Exercise Science
- Elizabeth Thoms - Kinesiology
- Astrid Gehre Boettner - Intern’l Business/Spanish
- Angeles De Los Rios Rajas - Economics

#### Women’s Tennis
- Andrew Sirowy - Sociology
- Mark Sweeney - University Studies
- Joshua Radcliff - Finance
2016-17 Sun Belt Conference Commissioner’s List (3.5 and Above)

Phil Berthiame Business
Philip Childs Broadcast Communication
Zac Cook Business
Dylan Easterling Exercise Science
Matt Michalski University Studies
Will Olson Finance
Reid Petty Accounting
Cody Wernli Exercise Science
Jake Wilcox Psychology
Patrick Binzer Math
Brooke Alexander Communication
Ally Te’o Kinesiology
Rebekah VanDijk Accounting
Zach Galliford Finance
Josh Radcliff Finance
Brianna Burchianti Accounting
Laura Curry Exercise Science
Marisa Datko Accounting
Melanie Mendoza Biology
Sandra Mendoza Exercise Science
Kayci Moore Exercise Science
Krista Rude Math
Carley Ruffino Kinesiology
Shelbi Sikes Early Childhood Education
Calin Sims Exercise Science
Whitney Walton Kinesiology
Daniel Armengol Economics
Pablo Colvee Civil Engineering
Mauricio Del Rio Business
Mario Muniesa Economics
Guanarteme Nuez Business
Jessica Birowski Masters of Business Administration
Angeles de los Rios Economics
Anna Wichert Business
Astrid Gehre International Business/Spanish
Grant Copeland Biomedical Engineering
Joel Duren Marketing
Tobi Fawehinmi Exercise Science
Petter Gustafsson Business Operations Management
Reginald Hinson University Studies
Garrett Moore Business
Latrice Brooks Civil Engineering
Helen Falda Business
Bianca Finn Interdisciplinary Studies
Priscilla Glenn Biology
Tamerah Gorham Interdisciplinary Studies
Chloe Lewis Interdisciplinary Studies
Christine Powers Masters of Social Work
Taylor Repa Education
Kamryn Roberts Nursing
Thilda Saernevaang Art
Madison Helt Exercise Science
Marisah Ingram Interdisciplinary Studies
Madison McConnell Kinesiology
Madison Smith Business
Madelyn St. Germain Education
Cassidy Wheeler Exercise Science
**Championship Teams**
- Men's Cross Country, Sun Belt Conference Champions
- Men's Basketball, Sun Belt Conference Regular Season Champions
- Men's Indoor Track, Sun Belt Conference Champions
- Men's Outdoor Track & Field, Sun Belt Conference Champions

**National Postseason Team Participants**
- Men's Basketball, National Invitation Tournament (Quarter-finalist)
- Women's Basketball, Women's National Invitational Tournament
- Softball, National Invitational Softball Championship

**NCAA National Championship Individual Participants**
- Helen Falda, Women's Outdoor Track & Field, NCAA Championships
- Astrid Gehre, Women's Tennis, NCAA Doubles Championships
- Michael Guerrero, Men's Cross Country, NCAA Championships
- Craig Lautenslager, Men's Cross Country, NCAA Championships
- Craig Lautenslager, Men's Outdoor Track & Field, NCAA Championships
- Emeka Nwangwu, Men's Outdoor Track & Field, NCAA Championships
- Anna Wichert, Women's Tennis, NCAA Doubles Championships

**First Team All-Sun Belt Conference Honorees**
- Joel Duren, Men's Indoor Track
- Helen Falda, Women's Indoor Track
- Tobi Fawehinmi, Men's Indoor Track
- Michael Guerrero, Men's Cross Country
- Kevin Hervey, Men's Basketball
- Craig Lautenslager, Men's Cross Country
- Erik Martinsson, Men's Indoor Track
- Erick Neal, Men's Basketball
- Astrid Rosvall, Women's Indoor Track
- Omar Salinas, Baseball
- Rebekah VanDijk, Women's Basketball

**Second Team All-Sun Belt Conference Honorees**
- Qiana Cañete, Volleyball
- Justin Domangue, Men's Cross Country
- Tanner Gore, Men's Golf
- Tamerah Gorham, Women's Indoor Track
- Michael Guerrero, Men's Indoor Track
- Jakob Hernandez, Baseball
- Daniel James, Baseball
- Cierra Johnson, Women's Basketball
- Emeka Nwangwu, Men's Indoor Track
- Will Olson, Baseball
- Trae Patterson, Baseball
- Tori Shelton, Women's Cross Country

**Regional / National Honors**
- Helen Falda, Women's Outdoor Track & Field - First Team All-America, Pole Vault
- Kevin Hervey, Men's Basketball - NABC All-District, USBWA All-District, AP Honorable Mention All-America
- Michael Guerrero, Men's Cross Country All-South Central
- Craig Lautenslager, Men's Cross Country All-South Central Region; Outdoor Track & Field, Second Team All-America, 5,000-meters
- Erick Neal, Men's Basketball – NABC Second Team All-District
- Emeka Nwangwu, Men's Outdoor Track & Field – Honorable Mention All-America, 110-meter hurdles

**Academic / Non-Sport Honors**
- Women's Cross Country, USTFCCA All-Academic Team
- Will Olson, Baseball, CoSIDA Academic All-District 7
- Rebekah VanDijk, Sun Belt Leadership Team

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**Winning with Integrity**

- Kevin Hervey, Student-Athlete of the Year
- Qiana Cañete, First Team All-Sun Belt Conference Honorees, Volleyball
- Justin Domangue, First Team All-Sun Belt Conference Honorees, Men's Cross Country and Regional/National Honors, NCAA All-South Central Region
UT Arlington concluded the 2016-17 academic year fifth in the final Sun Belt Conference’s Vic Bubas Cup, earning another strong performance in the overall conference standings.

UTA finished with 117 points after claiming championships in men’s basketball, baseball, track & field, and cross country. The superb finish came despite not sponsoring four sports in which the Sun Belt universities awarded points to.
The Maverick Club continues to experience monumental growth, a strong indication that UTA Athletics is attaining tremendous success as a department. The 2016-17 fiscal year was the most successful fundraising year on record, with total gifts and commitments surpassing $916,000. In addition to the philanthropic growth increase of 27%, the Maverick Club also added 23 new donors to its roster.

The culture of giving is present within the department, attainment of 100% participation in the student-athlete giving challenge for the 4\textsuperscript{th} consecutive year.

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Pursuing Excellence Together is not just a slogan for the Maverick Club – it’s an acknowledgment that we need our community to invest into the education of our students. We continue to grow our scholarship support through our 24 endowments. Creating or investing into an endowment establishes a scholarship that will continue to give back into perpetuity.
UTA Athletics places emphasis on endowments to help secure a future of promise for generations of student-athletes to come.

Commitment to student-athletes
As UTA Mavericks, we all welcome the opportunity to build upon the legends and legacies of our time honored traditions, to perpetuate the loyalty and pride inherent with being part of the Maverick family.

Endowments are gifts that last forever. Like sound investments, they grow over time to ensure a future of promise for every generation to come. An endowment gift connects donors to The University of Texas at Arlington, its student-athletes and their education in significant and powerful ways. In fact, donations help award student-athletes scholarships each year.

 Tradition of excellence
The fundraising goal at UTA is to create a scholarship endowment to fully cover the academic-related costs associated with providing world-class support and opportunities for our student-athletes in all our sports programs.

Endowments
Their Dreams. Your Support. Our Championships.

Bob Oliver Memorial
C.R. Chena Gilstrap
Cary Courtwright Memorial
Charles Albert Charlie Key
Chris Huckabee Women’s Basketball
Clay Gould
Coy Garrett Athletics
David and Carlotta Daniel Men’s Basketball
Donald Deere Golf
H. Jack and Carolyn L. Davis
H. Jack Davis Family
Harold R. Kauth Memorial
Helen and Gene Schrickel Basketball
Jack and Carolyn L. Davis Men’s Athletics
James V. Leggett Academic/Athletic Baseball
Marvin and Shirley Applewhite
Marvin “Butch” McBroom
Mike & Esther Farhat Athletic Endowment Fund
Nancy Baker Endowed Scholarship
Optimist Club of Arlington
Sears Ward Baseball
Sgt. Gregory Lei Hunter Memorial
Steve Macko Memorial
Wade Academic/Athletics Baseball

Cassidy Wheeler
Zach Cook
Sandra Mendoza
Rebekah VanDijk
Quintin Rohrbaugh
Chineme Obikudu
Jalen Jones
Tanner Gore
Nathan Hawkins
Laura Curry
Zach Galliford
Kaelon Wilson
Claudius Fawehinmi
Will Olson
Christian Schiemann
Matt Michalski

Allison Wade
Tamerah Gorham
Richard Williams
Drew Charles
Jake Wilcox
Phil Berthiaume
Our Championships

UTA Men’s Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field teams recorded the second league “triple crown” in the program’s history by claiming the Sun Belt Conference titles in all three sports. It was the second “triple crown” in Sun Belt Conference history, and both were won by the Mavericks.

Men’s Basketball
Regular Season Sun Belt Championship

Baseball
Sun Belt West Division Championship
It marks UTA’s first division title in the Sun Belt and its first since claiming the 2013 regular-season title in the Western Athletic Conference.
STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2016-17

S.A.A.C. Team Leadership
Emoni Taylor – President
Chloe Lewis – Vice President
Qiana Canete – Social Media Captain
Victoria (Tori) Shelton – Social Media Captain
Megan Thompson Team Campus
Simba Walker-Williams – Team Community
Rebekah VanDijk – Team Student Athlete

Team Members
Brooke Alexander
Daniel Armengol-Delgado
Logan Austin
Cole Billingsley
David Brefo
DJ Bryant
Tori Carter
Drew Charles
Angeles De Los Rios
Ryan DeLeon
Claudius (Tobi) Fawehinmi
Bianca Finn
Zachary Galliford
Marisah Ingram

Martin Lopez
Valeria Lopez
Sandra Mendoza
Cy'Andria Newton
Chineme Obikudu
Reid Petty
Joshua Radcliff
Krista Rude
Ofa (Ally) Te’o
Libbie Vickers
Cassidy Wheeler
Kaelon Wilson
Valery Lavrusha
Alison Williams
Bailey Balmer

A CHAMPION is defined as a person or team that has won a competition or contest, especially in sports. While that’s the most familiar meaning, there is another element to the definition that many overlook. A CHAMPION is also someone who speaks publicly in support of a person, belief or cause.

That’s why the student-athletes at UT Arlington are CHAMPIONS. They are defined by their WORK ETHIC, COMMITMENT, DEDICATION AND TEAMWORK. As much as those traits apply to their athletic and academic careers, they take it a step further with their SELFLESSNESS AND AMBITIOUS DRIVE to give back to their community in and around Arlington.

The UT Arlington Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (S.A.A.C.) was awarded the Sun Belt Conference Community Service Initiative title for the month of March, its fifth of the 2016-17 academic year. The fifth honor also secured the Mavericks as overall Sun Belt Conference Community Service Initiative CHAMPIONS.
Volleyball Average Attendance
2016: 727 per match
2017: 707 per match

- Eleven of the top 30 volleyball crowds in College Park Center came during the 2017 season.

Men’s Basketball Average Attendance
2016: 2,888 per game
2017: 2,798 per game

- 2 of the Top 5 crowds took place during the Mavs Quaterfinals National Invitational Tournament run in the post season

Women’s Basketball Average Attendance
2016-17: 1,657 per game

- Record attendance for Women’s Basketball 2/9/2017: 5,011 people versus Little Rock on the Maverick Spirit Kids Day

Baseball Average Attendance (including Globe Life)
2017: 763 per game

- UTA hosted a school-record 2,009 for the home opener vs. No. 1 TCU.
- The Mavs hosted the second-largest crowd (1,939) in program history for a win over No. 23 Texas A&M.

Softball Average Attendance
2017: 212 per game
**Overall Athletics Expenditures**

- Total Athletic Operating Expenses: $12,698,825
- Athletics Student Aid: $2,597,316
- Coaches Salaries/Benefits: $2,833,612
- Travel Expenses: $1,289,611

**UTA ATHLETICS BUDGET 2016-17**

**Team-by-Team Breakdown of Expenditures**

- Men’s Basketball Total Expenses: $1,700,540
- Women’s Basketball Total Expenses: $1,399,941
- Men’s Track and Field Total Expenses: $616,876
- Women’s Track and Field Total Expenses: $717,913
- Men’s Tennis Total Expenses: $219,702
- Women’s Tennis Total Expenses: $312,593
- Volleyball Total Expenses: $711,012
- Softball Total Expenses: $726,123
- Men’s Golf Total Expenses: $442,736
- Women’s Golf Total Expenses: $129,183
- Baseball Total Expenses: $947,574