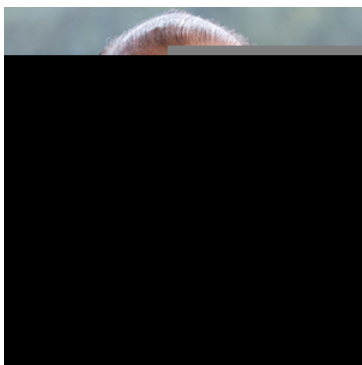




September 2019

Dedication of Engineering & Computer Science West

The Engineering & Computer Science West (ECSW) building dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony is Thursday, Sept. 26 at 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the ECSW Courtyard. Guided tours of the facility and light refreshments will be available immediately following the program.



Student Ombuds Office Recently Created

The University of Texas at Dallas recently created the Student Ombuds Office, headed by Dr. Diego Garcia Theodore, assistant vice president of student affairs and student ombudsman.

As University staff, you should feel confident in referring students to the Student Ombuds Office as a distinct but supplemental resource for addressing student concerns.

[Read more](#)

Nate Howe, chief information security officer for UT Dallas, reminds staff that campus is under increased attack from scammers hoping to steal passwords and valuable information. To prevent attacks, the Information Security Office encourages you to enroll in **NetIDplus** powered by **DUO**, the two-factor authentication service.

[Read more](#)



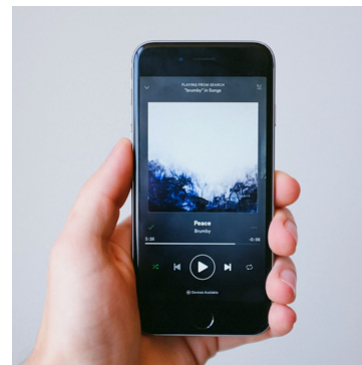
Employee Service Awards Ceremony

The 33rd **Annual Service Awards Ceremony** will be Friday, Nov. 8. Join us as the University honors faculty and staff with five, 10, 20, 30, 40, and 50 years at UT Dallas. Learn more about the **service awards**.



Report Cellular Coverage Issues to OIT

The Office of Information Technology (OIT) has a **page with links to support pages** for AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile and Verizon where a user can report issues with cellular coverage. The more the companies hear from their users on our campus the more likely they will fix the issues.



State of the University

Don't forget to attend the **State of the University**, the annual address given to faculty, staff, and students with remarks from President Richard C. Benson and representatives from Faculty Senate, Staff Council and Student Government, Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 2 - 3:15 p.m. in the ATEC Lecture Hall (**ATC 1.102**).

Items of Note

EAP Provider Changes on Oct. 1

Beginning Oct. 1, benefits-eligible employees will have access to a new employee assistance program provider, Deer Oaks EAP Services. The EAP benefit covers up to seven confidential,

short-term counseling sessions per person, per issue, per year. Beginning Oct. 1, call the EAP toll-free helpline at 888-993-7650 for more information or a referral. More information about accessing Deer Oaks EAP will be sent by email on Oct. 1.

Green Zone Training

The Military and Veteran Center is offering Green Zone training to staff and faculty. Upon completion, participants are given a certificate and a Green Zone decal for their office. The training includes lunch. Please [register for the next Green Zone training](#), which will be Thursday, Oct. 17.

Looking for Discounts Available to Staff?

The [Comet Discount Program](#) is on the UT Dallas Student Government website. There are many discounts available, all broken down into 13 categories.

Staff Council Car Wash

Use the fundraising code “2018” when you wash your car at Legends Express Car Wash at 628 Coit Road in Plano and a portion of the sale will support the funding of Staff Council scholarships. The code is good every time you wash your car.

Report Physical Barriers on Campus to the ADA Coordinator Have you encountered a physical barrier that interferes with access to a building or part of campus? Report it to our Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) coordinator using the [Report a Barrier form](#). Visit the [accessibility resources webpage](#) or [contact the ADA coordinator](#) for more information about accessibility at UT Dallas.

Did You Know?

Make a Suggestion

Submit the [form on our suggestions page](#) to make your opinion count.

Find Your Rep

Discover who represents your district on the [Staff Council representative page](#).

Report Tobacco Use

Please report an incident of tobacco use/smoking on campus to the [Tobacco-Free Campus website](#).



The next Staff Council meeting will be at 9 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 9, in [Galaxy Room C](#), Student Union

