

# Seamless Transfer Pathways – Transfer Advising Guides (TAGs) and the impact on Student Success

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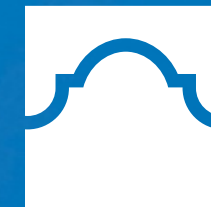
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# Transfer Advising Guides - TAGs

## What is a Transfer Advising Guide?

- A crosswalk between the community college and a transfer university partner which provides a detailed pathway for transition.

## What is the purpose?

- Most direct path
- Cost-efficiency
- Degree Applicability

**EARN MORE HOURS**  
**SPEND LESS CASH**

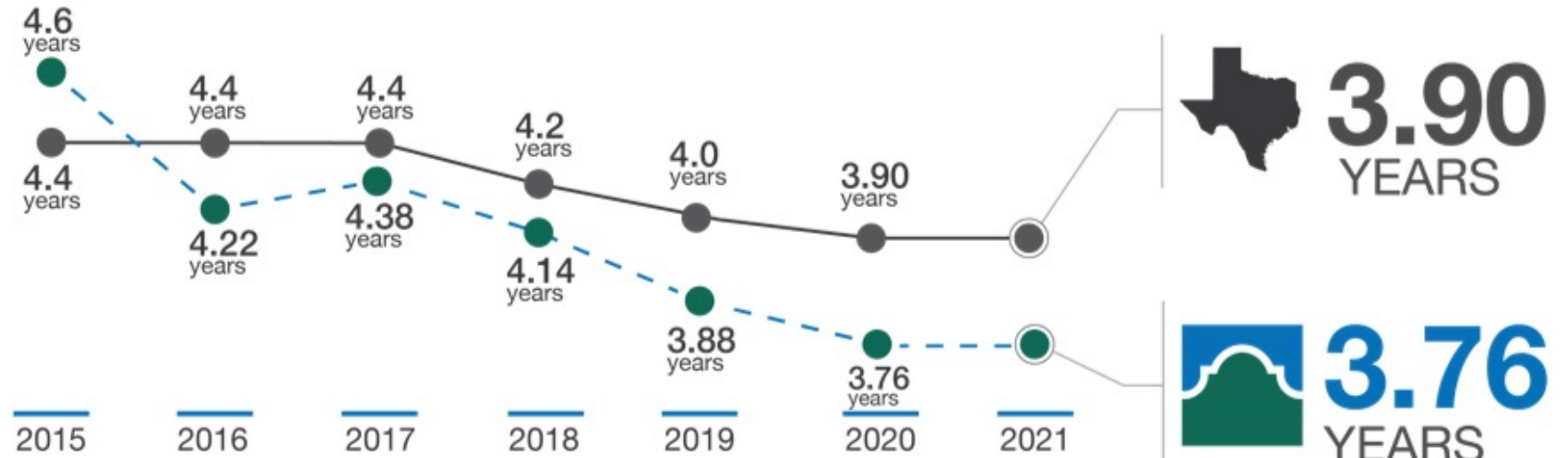
**18** FALL + SPRING SEMESTER COMBINED = **3** SUMMER SEMESTER FREE

COMPLETE **24** HOURS, GET **6** FREE





# Average Time to Associate Degree



\* Data Source: Texas Public Higher Education Almanac

# Average SCH to Associate Degree



\* Data Source: Alamo Colleges District Institutional Research



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How to Read Transfer Advising Guides

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**Transfer Advising Guides**

by University

by AlamoINSTITUTE

by Pre-Major

by Online

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Northeast Lakeview College Catalog

Northwest Vista College Catalog

Palo Alto College Catalog

San Antonio College Catalog

St. Philip's College Catalog

## Transfer Advising Guides b

### Six New Institutes, Countless Pathway

We've organized all our programs and courses into six Alamo career goals giving you a clear path to the career goal you have in mind. This new approach will save you time by guiding you to take only the courses you need, either to be job-ready when you graduate from one of the Alamo Colleges District or to transfer to a university. It also saves you money, because you don't pay for courses you don't need or take more credit hours than you need to graduate or transfer.

Beginning the Fall 2016 semester, all students at the Alamo Colleges District will be choosing an institute as a broad decision toward a career pathway.

To learn more about the institutes, go to <http://alamo.edu/institutes/>

[How to Read Transfer Advising Guides](#)

### *Additional Transfer Advising Guides will be made available as they are finalized with the University*

#### Advanced Manufacturing & Logistics Institute

- [AAS Automated Industrial Processing/Electronics/Mechatronics \(SPC\) to BAS \(Applied Science\) - Wayland Baptist University \(WBU\) 2021-2022](#)
- [AAS CNC Manufacturing Technician \(SPC\) to BAS \(Applied Science\) - Wayland Baptist University \(WBU\) 2021-2022](#)
- [AAS Construction Technology \(Construction Specialization\) \(SPC\) to BAS \(Applied Science\) - Wayland Baptist University \(WBU\) 2021-2022](#)
- [AAS Industrial Technology - Instrumentation Specialization \(PAC\) to BAS \(Applied Science\) - Wayland Baptist University \(WBU\) 2021-2022](#)

2021-2022 Transfer Advising Guides

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2020-2021 Transfer Advising Guides [Archived Catalog]

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2018-2019 Transfer Advising Guides [Archived Catalog]

2017-2018 Transfer Advising Guides [Archived Catalog]

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# Criminology and Criminal Justice - AA to BA - The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) 2021-2022 ♦

This Transfer Advising Guide may be available in the following modes of delivery: Face-to-face, fully online.

## Lower Division Requirements at the Alamo Colleges District for an AA degree

The courses in this section meet the requirements for an Associate of Arts degree. The Graduation section in any catalog of the colleges in the Alamo Colleges District lists additional Degree/Certificate Requirements.

### Semester I

- [EDUC 1300 - Learning Framework](#) will transfer as UTSA Elective
- Select one course from the [Mathematics \(20\) Core](#) will transfer as UTSA Mathematics (20) Core
- [ENGL 1301 - Composition I](#) will transfer as WRC 1013 [UTSA Communication (10) Core]
- \*\*\* § [CRJ 1301 - Introduction to Criminal Justice](#) will transfer as ### CRJ 1113 [UTSA Social and Behavioral Sciences (80) Core] (grade must be a "C" or better)

### Semester II

- [ENGL 1302 - Composition II](#) will transfer as WRC 1023 [UTSA Communication (10) Core]
- Select one course from the [American History \(60\) Core](#) will transfer as UTSA American History (60) Core
- § Select either [CRJ 1310 Fundamentals of Criminal Law](#) or [CRJ 1306 Court Systems and Practices](#) or [CRJ 2313 Correctional Systems and Practices](#) or [CRJ 2328 Police Systems and Practices](#) will transfer as CRJ 2623 or CRJ 2813 or CRJ 2513 or CRJ 2213 (grade must be a "C" or better)
- Select one course from the [Creative Arts \(50\) Core](#) will transfer as UTSA Creative Arts (50) Core

## Applicable Transfer Credit Hours

This Transfer Advising Guide provides 66 college-level hours, of which 66 will transfer and apply towards the UTSA baccalaureate degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice.

Note: UTSA accepts a maximum of 66 college-level hours in transfer towards a baccalaureate degree. Students must complete the specified number of advanced credits and credits in residence for their degrees.

Note: For the Alamo Colleges District this transfer advising guide is core complete, degree complete and field of study complete.

## AlamoONLINE

AlamoONLINE represents the breadth of opportunities for students pursuing offerings-degrees, certificates, and awards-delivered online from Northeast Lakeview College, Northwest Vista College, Palo Alto College, San Antonio College, and St. Philip's College. To learn more, visit [Alamo Colleges Online](#)

## UTSA Distinguished Transfer Scholarship

Fall and spring transfer applicants who are transferring 24-66 credit hours and get admitted to UTSA by the [Distinguished Transfer Scholarship](#) priority deadline will be given automatic consideration for this scholarship valued up to \$6,000\* for up to two years or four semesters if renewal eligibility is maintained. The value is awarded on a competitive basis.

This scholarship is competitive so out-of-state and international students can receive a [Competitive Scholarship Waiver](#) and pay in-state tuition for every year they hold a competitive scholarship of at least \$1,000.

\*while funding is available

## Milestone Course(s)

\*\*\* denotes Milestone Course(s).

A milestone course is a course that is critical for success in this program as determined by the Faculty of the Alamo Colleges District.

## Gateway Course(s)

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Students pursuing this degree at UTSA must successfully complete each of the Gateway Courses with a grade of "C" or better in no more than two attempts. A student who is unable to successfully complete these courses within two attempts, including dropping a course with a grade of "W" or taking an equivalent course at another institution (including any colleges of the Alamo Colleges District), will not be allowed to select this major at UTSA.



# AAS Emergency Management Administration and Homeland Security (SAC) to BAAS Fire and Emergency Services Administration - Homeland Security Concentration - Texas A&M University - San Antonio (TAMUSA) 2020-2021



## Transfer Advising Guide - Workforce Example

### Lower Division Requirements at the Alamo Colleges District for an AAS degree

The courses in this section meet the requirements for an Associate of Applied Sciences degree. The Graduation section in any catalog of the colleges in the Alamo Colleges District lists additional Degree/Certificate Requirements.

#### Semester I

- [ENGL 1301 - Composition I](#) will transfer as ENGL 1301 [Texas A&M University - San Antonio Communication (10) Core]
- Select either [GOVT 2305 - Federal Government](#) or [GOVT 2306 Texas Government](#) will transfer as GOVT 2305 or GOVT 2306 [Texas A&M University - San Antonio Government/Political Science (70) Core]
- [MATH 1314 - College Algebra](#) will transfer as MATH 1314, will substitute for MATH 1332 [Texas A&M University - San Antonio Mathematics (20) Core]
- [HMSY 1337 - Introduction to Homeland Security](#) will transfer as Texas A&M University - San Antonio Technical/ Vocational Credits

#### Semester II

- [ENGL 1302 - Composition II](#) will transfer as ENGL 1302 [Texas A&M University - San Antonio Communication (10) Core]
- [HMSY 1338 - Homeland Security Emergency Communication Management](#) will transfer as Texas A&M University - San Antonio Technical/ Vocational Credits
- Select either [BIOL 1408 - Biology for Non-Science Majors I](#) or ([CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I](#) OR [CHEM 1311 General Chemistry Lecture I](#) AND [CHEM 1111 General Chemistry Laboratory I](#)) will transfer as BIOL 1308 or (CHEM 1311 and CHEM 1111) [Texas A&M University - San Antonio Life and Physical Sciences (30) Core] [grade must be a "C" or better for CHEM 1411/1311/1111]
- [PSYC 2301 - General Psychology](#) will transfer as PSYC 2301 [Texas A&M University - San Antonio Social and Behavioral Sciences (80) Core]
- Select either [GOVT 2305 - Federal Government](#) or [GOVT 2306 Texas Government](#) will transfer as GOVT 2305 or GOVT 2306 [Texas A&M University - San Antonio Government/Political Science (70) Core]

#### Applicable Transfer Credit Hours

This Transfer Advising Guide provides **80 college-level hours**, of which **80 will transfer and apply** towards the Texas A&M University - San Antonio baccalaureate degree in Applied Arts and Sciences (Fire and Emergency Services Administration - Homeland Security Concentration).

Note: Texas A&M University -San Antonio **does not have a maximum number of college-level transfer hours** accepted towards a baccalaureate degree. Students must complete the specified number of advanced credits and credits in residence for their degrees.

Note: Texas A&M University - San Antonio will accept **31 SCH of Technical/Vocational credits** for this major based on degree requirements.

Note: For the Alamo Colleges District this transfer advising guide is **core complete and degree complete**.





A photograph of a college campus with students walking on a sidewalk. In the foreground, a young man in a maroon and grey t-shirt and jeans is looking at his phone. Behind him, two young women are walking; one is wearing a green hoodie and black pants, and the other is wearing a black top and blue jeans. They are holding coffee cups. In the background, there is a modern building with large glass windows and a brick facade. The sky is blue with some light clouds.

# Seamless Transfer Pathways

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0 – Loss of **CREDIT HOURS**

0 – Loss of **TIME**

0 – Loss of **MONEY**



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## Seamless Transfer Pathways

957/1,824 (52.5%) – Transfer Advising Guides  
(TAGs)







1,377  
Pathways

75.5%

State Average – 22 Additional  
Credit Hours *(2021 Texas Public Higher  
Education Almanac)*



**Average Savings** – Seamless  
Transfer Pathways for **Public  
Universities** within the Transfer  
Compact

**\$40,215**







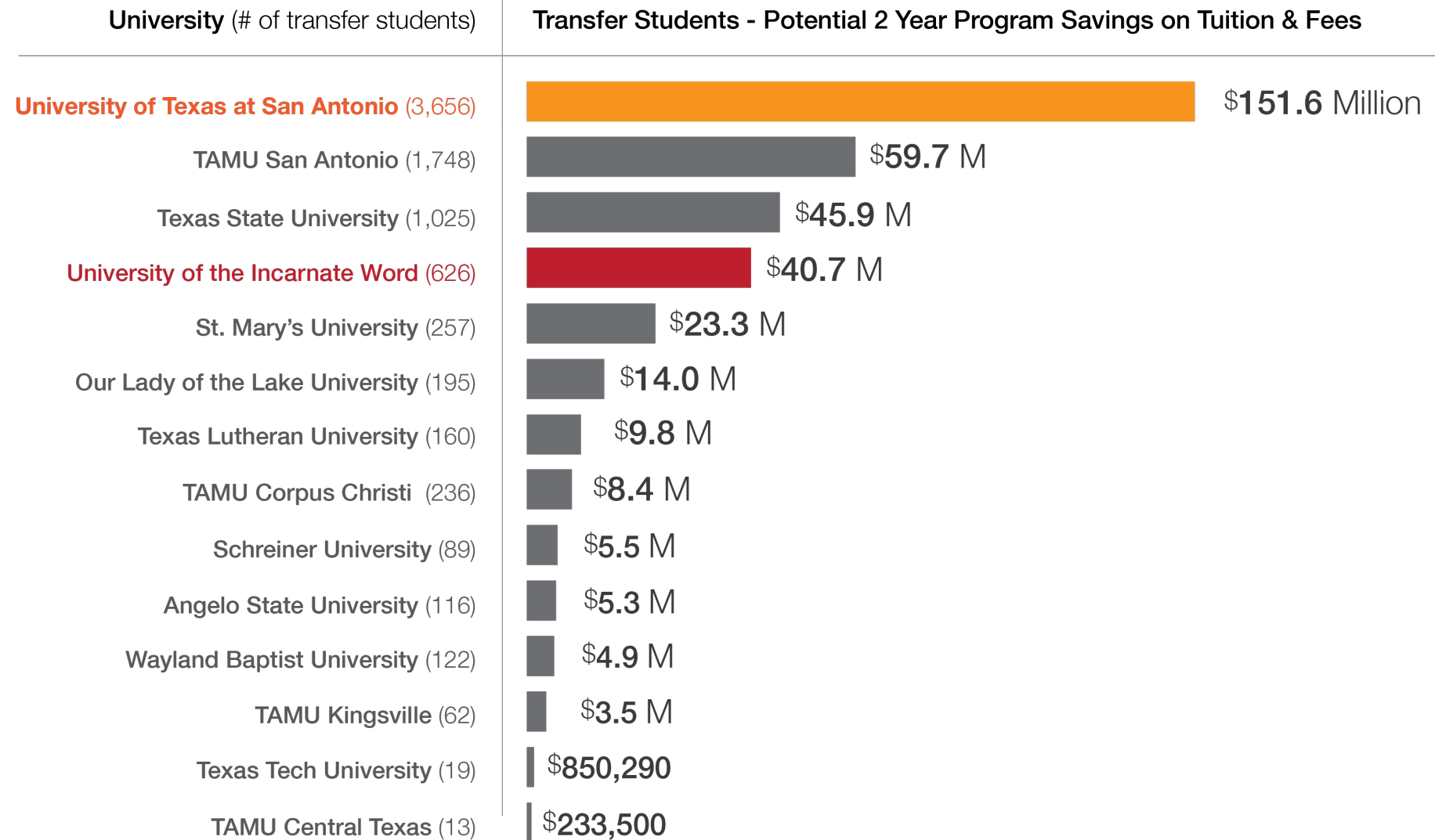
**Average Savings** – Seamless  
Transfer Pathways for **Private  
Universities** within the  
Transfer Compact

**\$65,435\***

\*based on publicly available tuition/fee tables



# UTSA has the **highest combined average savings** for 2020 Transfer Students







2020 Seamless Transfer Pathways-Potential Savings

**\$374 m**





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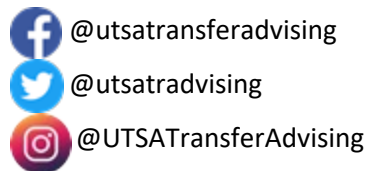


# Transfer & Transition Student Success Services

Phone #: (210)458-8777

Email: [TransferAdvising@utsa.edu](mailto:TransferAdvising@utsa.edu)

<https://www.utsa.edu/studentsuccess/transfer/index.html>





# Impact on Student Success



Duggernaut @JaredDugger · Mar 20

Replying to @UTSA @SAC\_PR and 5 others

NVC to UTSA was a simple, painless process for me, mainly because of my TAG. I knew I was ready to succeed at UTSA before I even got there - mainly because of their help. @govista '16 @UTSA '18



- Fundamentally, our educational missions are **closely intertwined** and so are our student bodies. Alamo College transfer students **make up more than 50% of UTSA's undergraduate transfer student population.**
- The transfer compact is working. More Alamo College students are **applying, enrolling and graduating** from UTSA than ever before.

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# Impact on Student Success

- Over the last five years, from fall 2016 to 2020:
  - **46%** increase in **applications** from Alamo Colleges to UTSA (1,480 to 2,160)
  - **32%** increase in **undergraduate** transfer students **enrolled** (4,587 to 6,078)
  - **30%** increase in **graduate students enrolled** at UTSA that came from Alamo Colleges (464 to 603)

**Overall, we've seen a 42% increase in number of UTSA graduates that were transfers from Alamo Colleges (1,290 to 1,831)**
- When comparing Alamo College students versus our students from other transfer institutions, Alamo College students have a:
  - **5%** higher **one-year retention rate** (88% vs 83%)
  - **10%** higher **two-year graduation rate** (25% vs 15%)
  - **6%** higher **four-year graduation rate** (69% vs 63%)

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# Impact on Student Success

- UTSA and Alamo Colleges have started two new transfer academies in Fall 2021:
  - [Transfer Academy for Tomorrow's Engineers](#)
  - [Transfer Academy for Future Teachers](#)
- Transfer academies **tighten the integration** between Alamo and UTSA. They allow Alamo students to **co-enroll** at UTSA, where they can take **courses for their major at UTSA** that are **not offered at Alamo Colleges**.

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# Texas Transfer Alliance – Transfer Strategy

- 3 Operational Models identified through the Texas Transfer Alliance
  - **Data Sharing** – Technology (student records/degree works)
  - **Academic/Curriculum Alignment** – Faculty to Faculty, TAGs
  - **Student Experience** – Recruitment, Enrollment, Advising, and Transfer

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# Transfer Partnership Strategy

Grand Objective – **Seamless Transition from ACD to UTSA**

## 3 Component Focus Areas

- Dual Enrollment/Dual Admissions
- UTSA Bold Promise for ACD Transfer Students – Promise to Promise (AlamoBOLD Promise)
- High School ISD – degree applicability w/university agreement

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# Dual Admissions/Dual Enrollment

- Alamo is **largest CC transfer feeder institution**
- Enables students the opportunity to align with their 4yr plan and enroll in major course requirements sooner through **personalized Transfer Advising Guides (TAGs)**
- Modification to current AlamoRunners and Alamo On-TRAC programs to support dual admission and enrollment to Grand Scale
- **Student Records/Data Sharing** – Transcript, Degree Works (TAGs), SB 25 (FERPA)
- Provide students with a clear, **transparent 2 yr pathway to UTSA upon entry to ACD**
- Enables both ACD/UTSA to know of future course demand, growth a year or two in advance

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# AlamoBOLD – Promise to Promise

- Alamo Promise students to transfer to UTSA BOLD Promise
  - ACD Promise #s – **a little over 3,000** students registered for Fall 2020 and Spring 2021; understanding UTSA will set requirements & limitations
  - Set criteria
  - [AlamoPROMISE featured on PBS NewsHour](#)
    - <https://www.alamo.edu/news--events/news/2022/05---may/alamopromise-featured-on-pbs-newshour/>
    - <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/san-antonio-texas-tackles-education-inequality-with-free-or-reduced-college-tuition>

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# High School ISD – Seamless 3 Tier Transfer System

- Possibility of degree plans **feeding directly into UTSA** through ECHS
- Focus on degree applicability for specific majors in ISD degree plan
- Possibility of Two Degree Completions within 6 years – Associate Degree & Bachelors Degree
- Pilot targeting new ECHS programs
  - Southwest ISD example – requested Health Care Administration, Cybersecurity, and/or Education
  - Currently UTSA catalog for degree is 6 years

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# Overall Benefits – 3 Component Focus Areas

- Guaranteed General Admission
- **Decrease Excess Credit Hours**
- Collaborative Student Support System
- Saving Students Time & Money
- **Decrease Time to Degree Completion**
- County/City Economic Impact

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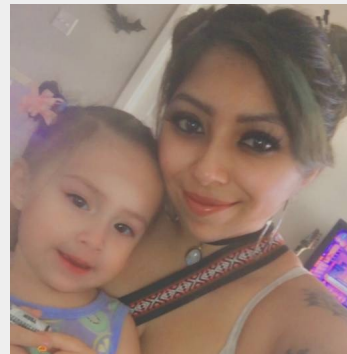
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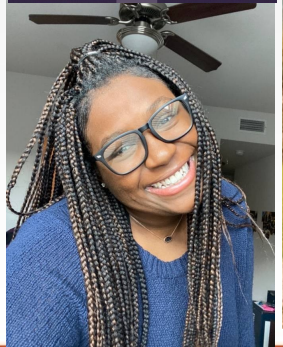
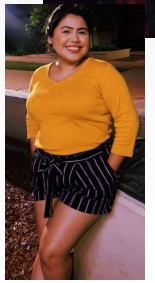
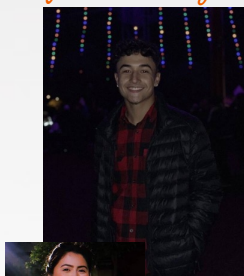
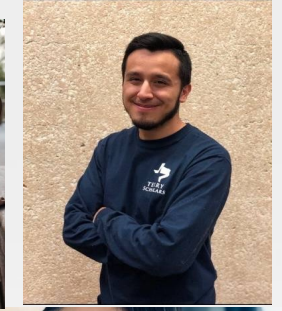
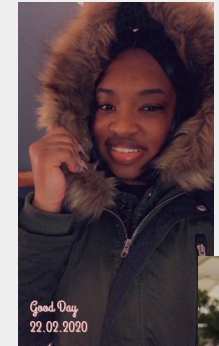
# Our Transfer Students



*My name is Adrian Naoun. I'm currently a biology major graduating this Fall 2020 semester. I transferred from St. Mary's University.*

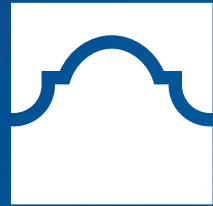


*My name is Jacquelyn Salgado  
I'm a first generation single mother of a toddler and I'm transferring from San Antonio College after getting an associates in General Science, and now I am a Pre-Med student with a major in Medical Humanities and a minor in Psychology!*



*Amanda Filio  
Major: Business Management  
Transferred from: Northwest Vista College*

# Questions?



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