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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

AI, data-backed solutions for farmers focus of UTA's new research center: Facilitated by the media relations team, the [Fort Worth Report](#) published an article about the opening of the Smart Agriculture



Research Center, launched in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The center will leverage UTA's expertise in data science to tackle some of today's most pressing agriculture issues, including soil conditions, plant health, animal diseases, and climate changes. [The Dallas Morning News](#) shared the article in their print edition.

EXPERT INTERVIEWS



Examining the candidates vying to lead the Texas Railroad Commission: The [Fort Worth Star-Telegram](#) turned to political science Professor Brent Boyea for insight into how the five candidates are running their campaigns and the issues shaping the race. The story highlights one local contender emphasizing a markedly different agenda than the others—focusing on issues largely unrelated to the commissioner's core responsibilities. [MSN](#) shared the report.

MORE NEWS

UTA social work dean begins SSWR presidency: As part of its "On Campus" notebook, the [Fort Worth Report](#) shared the news that School of Social Work Dean Kirk A. Foster became the president of the Society for Social Work and Research at the beginning of February.



Study shows digital hotlines make it easier for survivors to reach out: [Phys.org](#) shared a [UTA media relations release](#) about social work Professor Rachel Voth Schrag's study that shows that digital hotlines are changing how survivors of domestic and sexual violence access safety planning and support.

Next week marks 190 years since the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence: UTA history and geography Professor Sam Haynes was tapped by [KUHF-FM](#) in Houston for his expertise in Texas history for a segment on how the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence was a major turning point in the Texas Revolution.

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