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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

UTA sets record for incoming class of first-time college students: The [Fort Worth Report](#) and [WFAA](#) covered UTA's fall 2026 enrollment that saw a record of first-time-in-college students (more than 5,300) and an increase in undergraduate enrollment (more than 31,000). [Yahoo!](#) shared the story.



EXPERT INSIGHTS



Fort Worth police, UTA partner on AI-driven de-escalation training: Facilitated by the media relations team, Shuchi Deb, associate professor of industrial, manufacturing and systems engineering, provided expertise to the [Fort Worth Report](#) and [KERA](#) about UTA's collaboration with the Fort Worth Police Department utilizing virtual reality and artificial intelligence to enhance de-escalation training for police officers. [Law Enforcement Today](#) shared the story.

Worried about Flock cameras? Meet surveillance pricing at grocery stores and delivery apps:

Facilitated by the media relations team, David Quigley, clinical professor of economics, spoke to the [Dallas Observer](#) about how third-party delivery services can use your personal information to charge you more.



MORE NEWS

A new way to see inside a hurricane: [Phys.org](#), an online science, research, and technology news service shared a [UTA news release](#) on Chaoqun Liu, professor of mathematics, developing Liutex, a unique mathematical method for identifying vortices that can provide a better understanding of hurricane structure and behavior.

Young cast meets challenge of 'Spring Awakening': [The Dallas Morning News](#) gave rave reviews to the UTA theater students starring in *Spring Awakening*, Theatre Three's co-production with UTA. [MSN](#) shared the story.

Texas' new plastic roads could solve a big problem with heatwaves: [BGR](#), a digital media publication focused on consumer technology and science, highlighted Sahadat Hossain's research mixing recycled plastic into asphalt to make roads more resistant to damage from blistering heat while giving discarded plastic a new purpose.

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