



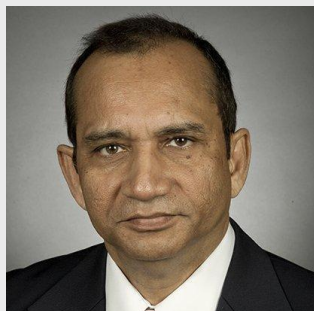
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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

AI is changing the job market for Texas college grads, report finds: Facilitated by the media relations team, Amy Hodges, assistant professor of English, joined [NBC 5](#) to discuss a Dallas Federal Reserve study that finds some graduates are having harder time finding work. Dr. Hodges said higher education has an important role in helping students develop what she described as durable skills.



EXPERT INSIGHTS



US 287 fully reopens after fatal garbage truck crash damages bridge, officials say: Facilitated by the media relations team, Nur Yazdani, professor of civil engineering, provided expertise to [WFAA](#) after a Waste Management truck struck a highway pillar, causing extensive damage to an overpass. [Yahoo!](#) shared the story.

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Researchers find a new way to look inside hurricanes: The online news publication [Border Report](#) covered the research of Chaoqun Liu, professor of mathematics, and his development of Liutex, a groundbreaking mathematical method for identifying vortices. A better understanding of hurricane structure and behavior could eventually improve hurricane forecasting. The story was shared by more than 30 outlets, including [FOX 5](#) in San Diego, [KXAN](#) in Austin, [KTSM](#) in El Paso, [WBTW](#) in South Carolina, [FOX 8](#) in North Carolina, and [WTNH](#) in Connecticut.

Tamara Brown announced the establishment of the C. Donald Babers Memorial Scholarship Endowment: As part of a ribbon-cutting ceremony for an affordable housing development in Fort Worth named after the late C. Donald Babers, a 1969 UTA graduate, Tamara Brown, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, announced the establishment of the C. Donald Babers Memorial Scholarship Endowment in his memory, reported the [Fort Worth Report](#).

Heat from below: UTA's geothermal system keeps a Fort Worth bridge ice-free: Facilitated by the media relations team, [Dallas Innovates](#) reported on a new case study from the U.S. Department of Energy that details how UTA's geothermal heat pump project makes wintertime driving safer for North Texans.

UTA student selected for prestigious summer research program: The publication [India Abroad](#) covered UTA student Rushika Rajendra Muradi, a junior biology major, who was one of the five students nationwide selected for the prestigious American Heart Association's Cardio-SURPh summer research program at Loyola University Chicago.

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