

Dear UTTC Community,

In August 1997, the UT System Board of Regents approved a master plan to build a centralized support system for online learning from our multiple institutions. The ambitious plan introduced a new entity to the UT System – the UT TeleCampus, which officially launched in May 1998.

Ten years later here we are. We've partnered with more than 250 expert UT faculty, and together we've built and delivered an inventory of more than 300 courses. We've won more than 50 awards, and we've served more than 60,000 enrollments while adding an array of student and faculty services to support learning and student success. We've reached thousands of students who have told us they could not have been involved with the UT System without the UT TeleCampus. They enjoyed the experience and are proud of their accomplishments.

It's been an adventure by any measure. We want to take this special issue of Communiqué to thank you, our partners, for our shared experience and success.

Please take a moment and visit our birthday site at www.UTTCTurns10.org.

There you'll find some lessons learned from faculty members who provide useful tips to both new and experienced professors teaching online. You'll see a timeline with a sampling of significant events, a trivia quiz, a smattering of fast facts, and some thoughts from Darcy and Rob.

Check out the Events section of the birthday site for details on our two celebrations: a birthday luncheon at this year's [IOL conference](#) and an open house for those located at UT System Administration and the Austin area. We hope you can join us for cake!

The first ten years have been great and we look forward to working with you in the future. Ten years ago we had a vision to make online education from the UT System vital and successful. Thank you for all you've done to help us get there.

Feel free to send us your thoughts, memories and feedback at UT4ME@utsystem.edu and we'll post some of those in the next UT4me, our award winning online newsletter.

Thank you from all of us here at the UT TeleCampus!