



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER  
Senate Resolution 25.08

(Stating the sentiments of the TTUHSC Student Senate regarding the establishment of a TTU System Mentorship Program)

WHEREAS, the Texas Tech University System (TTU System) is comprised of five institutions—Texas Tech University (TTU), Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC), Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso (TTUHSC El Paso), Angelo State University (ASU), and Midwestern State University (MSU)—each with unique academic disciplines, professional programs, and research strengths; and,

WHEREAS, mentorship plays a crucial role in professional and academic development, providing students and early-career professionals with guidance, networking opportunities, and career support from experienced mentors in their fields; and,

WHEREAS, A TTU System Mentorship Program would allow students to connect with faculty, alumni, and industry professionals from across all TTU institutions, fostering interdisciplinary collaboration and expanding career opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, mentorship across institutions would enhance student success by providing tailored career guidance, research collaboration opportunities, networking, and exposure to different academic and professional pathways that may not be available at a single institution; and,

WHEREAS, such a program could contribute to increased retention, graduation rates, and post-graduate success by equipping students with the professional networks and resources needed to navigate their careers effectively; and,

WHEREAS, formalizing mentorship opportunities aligns with the TTU System's mission to support student development, academic excellence, and professional success across all campuses; and,

WHEREAS, a mentorship program would create a stronger sense of community within the TTU System by fostering meaningful relationships among students, faculty, alumni, and industry professionals, thereby enhancing the student experience and overall institutional engagement; and,

WHEREAS, a system-wide mentorship initiative would provide an equitable opportunity for all students, regardless of their background, to connect with mentors who can offer academic guidance, career advice, and personal development strategies, ultimately fostering a culture of support and inclusion; and,

WHEREAS, mentorship programs have been linked to higher job placement rates post-graduation, with studies such as the one conducted by the Leeds School of Business at the University of Colorado, Boulder, reporting that students who participated in mentorship programs were 40% more likely to secure employment upon graduation compared to their non-mentored peers (Chronus Mentoring Research)<sup>1</sup>; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Senate of TTUHSC expresses its strong support for the development and implementation of a mentorship program across the TTU system to facilitate development and growth among their students and faculty; and,


BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Senate of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center fully supports the establishment of a TTU System Mentorship Program, fostering cross-institutional mentorship opportunities between students, faculty, alumni, and professionals across TTU, TTUHSC, TTUHSC El Paso, ASU, and MSU; and therefore,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the Journal and that copies be sent to **Lori-Rice Spearman Ph.D.**, *President of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center*; **Darrin D'Agostino, D.O., MPH, MBA.**, *Provost and Chief Academic Officer*; **Marianna Souriall**, Editor-in-Chief of The Daily Toreador, and to the students of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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