

# Creating an Inclusive and Engaging Classroom Climate

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# *Who Are Our (Many Undergraduate) Students?*

- *Generation Z (1995-2015)*
- *Diversity*
- *Technology*
- *Instant Gratification/ Immediate feedback*
- *Mental Health*

# Diversity of Students

- Neurodiverse Students
- Students who have mental health diagnosis
- Students who may be food insecure/ homeless
- Students who may identify with gender identities
  - **Pronouns are Important**
- Students who are Activist
- Students who are connected to social media
- Pregnancy & Parenting, Active Duty, Non-trad students



Why I Love the Term 'Neurodiversity' and You Will Too!  
<https://suelarkey.com.au/neurodiversityblog/>

# NEURODIVERGENT STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

<https://neurodiversity.unt.edu/student-support>



## INCLUDES...

**UNT ENGAGE (Embracing Neurodiverse Groups in Academics and Gainful Employment)**

serves neurodivergent students enrolled at UNT with reaching their academic and vocational goals through person-centered planning and individualized services. Students participate in assessment and planning meetings to identify personal, academic, and vocational goals.  
Contact: [engage@unt.edu](mailto:engage@unt.edu)

**UNT CAN (Collaborative Actions for the Neurodiverse) Cohort Housing**

provides an opportunity for students who self-advocate as being neurodivergent to participate in a peer-based program focused on delivering individualized, wrap-around services within the residence hall.  
Contact: [HousingCAN@unt.edu](mailto:HousingCAN@unt.edu)

**UNT EPIC (Empowering Personal Interactions in the Community)**

provides organized social, philanthropic and learning opportunities for neurotypical and neurodivergent adults ages 18+.  
Contact: [untepic@unt.edu](mailto:untepic@unt.edu)

**Eagle Chat**

serves as a peer support group for neurotypical and neurodivergent students.  
Contact: [EagleChat@unt.edu](mailto:EagleChat@unt.edu)

**UNT Speech & Hearing Center Social Skills Group**

provides social communication training and intervention through individual and group services.  
Contact: [Stacy.Nunnelee@unt.edu](mailto:Stacy.Nunnelee@unt.edu)

**UNT WELL Clinic**

provides free individual, group and vocational counseling, vocational evaluations, and adjunctive therapy services to UNT students.  
Contact: [UNTWELL@unt.edu](mailto:UNTWELL@unt.edu)

The screenshot shows a course page for 'UNT Neurodiversity Training'. At the top, there are two buttons: 'DETAILS' and 'ENROLL'. Below the buttons, the title 'UNT Neurodiversity Training' is displayed. The main text describes the course as part of UNT's Neurodiversity Initiative, focusing on awareness, understanding, and acceptance. At the bottom, it indicates the course is 60 minutes long and includes a question mark icon and a ribbon icon.

**UNT Neurodiversity Initiative**  
<https://neurodiversity.unt.edu/>



# Mental Health

**UNT Counseling and Testing- 940-565-2741**

**UNT CARE Team**

**Interdisciplinary Team of professionals that assess threats and coordinates university response to students, faculty and staff in crisis.**



# Food Insecurity/ Homeless

- **UNT Food Pantry Presented by Kroger on campus**
- **Resources for students who are homeless**
- **[Deanofstudents.unt.edu](http://Deanofstudents.unt.edu)**

# Other Student Issues

- Pronouns are Important/ Chosen Names are Important
- Students are Activist
- Students are connected to social media
- Pregnancy/ Parenting/ Active Duty/ Non Trad Students
- Disruptive Students
- Isolation/ Quarantine
- [Report.unt.edu](https://report.unt.edu)



# Dean of Students Office

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