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School	The University of Texas-Pan American
Location	Edinburg, Texas
Founded	1927
Enrollment	19,576
President	Dr. Blandina Cárdenas
Director of Athletics -	Scott Street
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Conference	Southland Conference (Men) / Independent (W)
Nickname	Broncs / Lady Broncs
Mascot	Bucky the Bronc
Colors.....	Forest Green, Orange and White
Athletics Main Phone -	(956) 381-2221

UTPA MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Head Coach	Rob Hubbard
Alma Mater	Pan American University
Record at UTPA / Years -	3-11 / 1 (Men)
Record at UTPA / Years -	7-14 / 1 (Women)
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Alma Mater	The University of Texas-Pan American

UTPA MEN'S TENNIS TEAM INFORMATION

2005-06 Record	3-11 / Men
2005-06 Conference Record -	0-6 / Men
Lettermen R / L.....	2 / 5
Newcomers	6

UTPA WOMEN'S TENNIS TEAM INFORMATION

2005-06 Record	7-14
Lettermen R / L.....	4 / 2
Newcomers	6

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THIS IS UTPA TENNIS

MEN'S TENNIS

PROUD TRADITION

- The men's tennis program is one of the most tradition-laced programs at UTPA as the Broncos captured five consecutive NAIA National Championships (1961-65) and 11 Big State Conference Championships (1955-65).



Don Russell

- Don Russell was one of the most dominant tennis players in collegiate tennis as he captured four consecutive NAIA National Doubles' Championships as well as the NAIA National Singles' Championship during the 1962 season.



Don Russell & John Sharpe

- Russell was the first tennis player inducted into the first-ever UTPA Athletics Hall of Fame in February of 2007.
- Russell and his partner John Sharpe won three consecutive NAIA National Doubles' Championships (1959-61).
- The Broncos were ranked as high as eighth in the country in NCAA Division I during the 1978 season.
- From 1974-78 the Broncos were ranked in the top 25 in all four seasons

- Jeremy Salvo became the first UTPA student-athlete to be named Southland Conference Student-Athlete of the Year following the 2005 season.



Jeremy Salvo

WOMEN'S TENNIS

PROUD TRADITION

- Ellen Nelissen is the program's all-time leader in career wins as the former UTPA standout collected 116 victories during her four-year career, including a season-high record of 41 triumphs during the 1995 season.



Ellen Nelissen

- Nelissen became the first UTPA women's tennis player to capture back-to-back All-Sun Belt Conference first team honors during the 1992 and 1993 seasons.
- Mary Jane Meyer became the first UTPA women's tennis player to surpass the 100-win total for her career as she finished with a then-program record 104 victories during the 1987-90 campaigns.
- From 1988 through the 1998 seasons, the Lady Broncos had 25 student-athletes earn Academic All-Conference honors as a member of the American South Conference and Sun Belt Conference.
- In two of the last three seasons, the Lady Broncos have been selected as an Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-Scholar Team.



Rob Hubbard

ROB HUBBARD

- Rob Hubbard returned to the Rio Grande Valley to take over a UTPA tennis program where he once was a standout on the courts of the Orville Cox Tennis Center during the mid-1970s.

INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT

- Coach Hubbard and his coaching staff work with each student-athlete on an individual basis to develop and improve all of their tennis skills throughout the course of their careers.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

- The UTPA Department of Intercollegiate Athletics has a strong commitment to ensuring that all student-athletes receive the full benefits of the educational experience while assuring that participation in NCAA Division I varsity athletics enhances, rather than detracts from, the realization of earning a UTPA diploma.



The UTPA Scholar Team

- The UTPA men's and women's tennis program was one of 22 schools in the entire nation and one of two institutions in the State of Texas to have both of their men's and women's tennis programs honored by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association as Scholar Teams.