

TU Talk

ACAC - Pronounced "ack-ack," this is the acronym for the Allen Chapman Activity Center, which is also known as the activity center, a.k.a. the "activity center" the "union", or the "student center", but is not to be confused with the new Student Activity Center in the apartments. ACAC is the University's hub of activity. The building is laptop wireless, has a computer lab, a gourmet coffee kiosk, and lots of quiet corners--all making it ideal for "studying", or actually studying. With full-service postal operations, an ATM, a Bookstore and Gift Shop (nifty TU threads), the student body government offices, and restaurants and meeting space, you can't help but run into your friends here. Spend some time getting to know your way around this building. It will be an important part of your time spent at TU.

ACTS - The annual all-campus talent show sponsored by the Student Association. Start working up your talent now, and compete for prizes. It's fun to participate and to watch!

AIRBAND - The airband contest sponsored by the Student Association is one of the most popular events of the year. Our stage has seen the likes of Motley Crue and Elvis Presley. You too can imitate your favorite artist.

ALL-NIGHTER - A situation to be avoided! Involves a student who stays up all night in an effort to study for a test or write a paper. This is stressful and ineffective and results in general grumpiness.

AUDIT - Students may elect to audit a course and will have all the privileges of students taking the course for credit, except those of taking the final examination or receiving credit for the course. The symbol for an audit course is AU.

BAH - Some may still use the acronym for the Business Administration Hall, but it refers to the Collins College of Business at Helmerich Hall.

BELL, The - The bell is located at the center of Bayless Plaza under the green, dome-shaped cupola from the original Kendall Hall. Graduating seniors ring the bell upon completion of their last final.

BK RUN - A trip to Burger King, usually taken late at night when a study break is needed.

BLAIR DRIVE - The brick paved walk in front of Lottie Jane Mabee Hall. This drive used to go all the way around in front of McFarlin, Phillips, Helmrich Hall, and the John.

Bonici's - Now located on the second floor, east end of ACAC. Will soon be changing it's name to "Benvenuto's" meaning "warm or cordial welcome" in Italian. The very popular made-to-order pasta dishes are well worth the wait.

C.G.E. - Center for Global Education (formerly STUDY ABROAD) - Located at 3126 E. 5th Pl. across the street from ACAC. TU students can study overseas for approximately the same cost as staying on campus. It can be a life-changing experience.

C-STORE - The convenience store located in the Food Court of ACAC. A quick and convenient place to grab some pre-packaged food and snacks, health care items, and cleaning supplies. They accept cash, Gold Cards, and Credit Cards.

CABINET - The executive branch of the Student Association. Cabinet members are selected by the SA president to take responsibility for programming all-campus events, such as concerts, speakers, comedians, art exhibits, as well as, Homecoming and Graduation activities.

CAF - No we don't mean a baby cow. It's slang for the Twin Towers Cafeteria (officially called Twin Dining). See you in the "Caf" tonight for dinner.

CHAPMAN - A popular name on this campus! Used to refer to Allen Chapman Activity Center, Chapman Hall (Arts and Sciences building), the Mary K. Chapman Center for Communication Disorders, the newly renovated H.A. Chapman Stadium, the Chapman Commons on Tucker Drive--which is the new entrance to TU from eleventh street, and the Chapman Theatre in Kendall Hall. So, it's not a good idea to tell a person that you will meet them at "Chapman" unless they know exactly where you're going! Don't worry, it won't be so confusing after a week or so.

CLUB, The - Which one are you looking for? "Club Mabee" is in the basement of John Mabee Residence Hall and is a great place for the John's Wrestle-mania and parties. The "University Club" was a meeting room on the second floor of ACAC, now called the "Alcove". Another Club is the newly-constructed "Faculty Club" in ACAC. Maybe you are hungry for a tasty "Club Wrap" while you watch the game in the Hurricane Hut in ACAC. Don't forget the "Hurricane Club"--our alumni association.

COLLEGIAN, The - The student run newspaper distributed each Tuesday to the entire campus. Read it to find out what's going on.

COLLINS--Could mean a couple of places. It could mean you're going to the Collins Fitness Center (Fitness Center) or it could mean Collins Hall (the main administration building). It could even mean your going to the Collins College of Business. After a couple of weeks, you'll have it all figured out.

CUSHMAN - Small vehicles driven by physical plant personnel. Have often been accused of trying to run over students, but no fatalities have ever been reported.

DONALD W. REYNOLDS CENTER - Also referred to as the "Reynolds Center." DWRC is the University's beautiful multi-purpose facility. Refer to the SERVICES section for a full description of the facility.

DORM - According to Housing & Dining departments across the nation, Dorm is a four-letter word not to be used in "polite" conversation. It is often incorrectly used to refer to the residence halls, the environment that fosters the total growth of its residents.

DROP-ADD - Students may add a course through the second week of classes during a regular semester but are responsible for class work up to that time. Classes may be dropped without a grade through the third week; however a grade of "W." Drop-add forms are available in the Collegiate Advising Offices.

DROPPED - A guy "drops" a girl by giving her a gold pendant of his fraternity letters. Dropping denotes a commitment in the relationship and is usually the first stage before pinning and engagement. (Kind of the college equivalent of "going steady.")

ELEVENTH STREET - The main street south of the H. A. Chapman Stadium that is home to numerous fast food and convenience store establishments, and is the old Route 66.

FALL BREAK - A mini-vacation that includes Thanksgiving Day.

FALL SEMESTER - Mid of August through December.

FAMILY/PARENTS WEEKEND - This is a chance for your family to spend a fall or spring weekend visiting the campus and spend time with their son or daughter. The New Student Program office plans fun events. Invite your family to the football/basketball game and the special activities planned just for them. (Hint: This is a good time to hit them up for money or food from a real restaurant!)

FISH BOWL, The - The glassed-in annex of Twin Towers dining hall where the Big Screen television is located.

FITNESS CENTER - The Fulton & Susie Collins Fitness Center is located on the west side of Delaware Ave. across from John Mabee Hall. The center has workout facilities, fitness classes, basketball courts, and even an indoor jogging track.

FOOD COURT, The - Located in the lower level of ACAC, features cook to order breakfast, ethnic cuisines and your favorite grab and go items. Open for breakfast and lunch.

FRESHMAN MENTOR or F.M. - A member of the Residence Life Staff team who is part of the First Year Resident Experience (FYRE) program at Twin South Hall. FM's coordinate various educational and social programs for their particular wing as well as collaborative events for all residents.

FUNCTION - An activity planned between several Greek houses or a Greek house and another student organization. The root word for function is FUN, and it's a great way to meet people!

GEEK WEEK - A week of events sponsored by the Honors House centered around intellectual pursuits. The week is capped off with the annual Party in the Potty inside the Honors House bathroom.

GRADE REPORT - Grades can be obtained by logging into the University's web advisor.

GRADUATE ASSISTANT/GA - Graduate assistants sometimes teach quiz courses and work in labs. They are graduate students who are employed by a University department as a part of their financial aid. They are a great resource. They've been in your shoes and are happy to help.

GREAT HALL - The largest room on the second floor of ACAC; site of numerous dances, lectures, banquets, and entertainment events.

GREEK - Any person affiliated as a pledge/new member or member of a fraternity or sorority.

GREEK WEEK - A week sponsored by Panhellenic Council and the Interfraternity Council when all the Greek houses and non-Greek students get together for competitions, parties, and other fun activities.

HARWELL - The large field between the back of fraternity and sorority rows. Used for football practice and other events.

HOGUE GALLERY - The Alexander Hogue Gallery, located in Phillips Hall, is the site of year-round exhibits by renowned artists as well as TU School of Art students.

HOMECOMING - An exciting weekend in the fall when the University welcomes back its alumni for parties, football, King and Queen crowning, and a whole lot more.

HURRICANE FLAGS - Two pieces of red cloth with black squares in the middle. Used by nautical types to warn of a hurricane approaching. Used by Hurricane fans to cheer on their team.

HURRICANE GOLD ACCOUNT - A feature of the campus ID card that allows you to use the debit aspect of the card instead of cash for purchases on campus and some restaurants off-campus see www.mygoldcard.com for details. The Hurricane Gold Card is accepted in the bookstore, library, vending machines, dining services locations, laundries, etc. Place money on deposit at the Dart Machine in ACAC's lobby, via Housing and Dining Services or the ID/Parking Center.

HUT, The (H2H) - Located in the lower level of ACAC, The Hurricane Sports Grill , features quality Angus Beef burgers, Blue and Gold deli sandwiches, appetizers, soups and salads, fish baskets, and the best BBQ Brisket around. Come listen to local talent or watch your favorite team on any of the 15 televisions located throughout the Hut. Open seven days a week, 11:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

INCOMPLETE - Students who are doing passing work but, because of serious illness or legitimate special circumstances, cannot complete the course work can receive a grade of incomplete (I) with the professor's permission. Students have one year to complete this course work so that a grade may be recorded on the transcript. Failure to complete course work will result in a grade of "F". Graduate students who do not complete course work within one year, for a course in which they received an "I" grade, will have a "Z" posted in the grade field of their transcript adjacent to the "I", to indicate that the course is no longer valid and the incomplete may not be removed. If the course work is not completed in this time, a mark will be made on the transcript indicating that the course is no longer valid.

INDEPENDENT - Any person not affiliated with a fraternity or sorority.

INNER-ROOM - Recreation/meeting room located off the Twin Towers Lobby, complete with a big screen TV with DVD and surround sound system, arcade games, and a ping pong table.

INNOPAC - The on-line catalog of all holdings in the University libraries. Once you learn this great system, you'll wonder why you ever used microfiche or card catalogs!

INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL (IFC) - The governing body of all campus fraternities.

INTRAMURAL SPORTS - Team and individual competitions in events ranging from touch football to spades. Check with the Recreational Sports staff in the Collins Fitness Center for details.

JOHN, The - Refers to John Mabee Hall, the all-male residence hall. These men host the annual Toilet Bowl football game. (No kidding!)

JAM IT UP - Join your residence life staff in the main lobby for peanut butter and jelly sandwiches several times a week. Look for publicity for the days and list for AUDIX reminders.

KINKO'S - Photocopying services; located on Eleventh Street. Some professors put their class materials on file there.

MATH LAB - Math Resource Center located in Keplinger Hall, Room U10. Free tutoring for Pre-calculus, Calculus I, and Calculus II courses. For more information see the Services section of this handbook.

MID-TERMS - Argh! This round of exams always comes too early in the semester and always before you are ready for them. All of your tests and paper and project deadlines will inevitably fall at this same time. (We're still trying to decide if the faculty is conspiring against us.)

NEWMAN - Short for the St. Philip Neri Newman Center, home of The Catholic Campus Ministry at TU.

NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION - This growing population comprises students older than 25 who are either married, have children, or are otherwise not typical of the general University population. Many are returning students who have been in the work force and can be valuable resources for information.

OFFICE HOURS - At the beginning of a semester, a professor will announce weekly hours during which he or she will be available to help students. If a student cannot visit a professor during office hours, an appointment for another time can usually be arranged.

OUTBACK, THE-The wide grassy area between John Rogers Hall and ACAC.

PANHELLENIC COUNCIL - The governing body of all campus sororities who are nationally affiliated.

PARTY PIC - Photos taken at a party by a professional photographer who provides copies on order. Gather your favorite friends, and strike your craziest pose for memories that last forever.

PASS/FAIL - Some courses may be taken as pass/fail. Grades of C or better are recorded as a pass (P). Grades of D are recorded as D, and grades of F are recorded as fail (F). Grades of P are not computed in the grade average, but grades of D or F are. You should be careful about your selection of P/F courses and consult your advisor.

PINNED - This tradition can be seen from time to time at TU. A couple is "pinned" when a Greek male gives his fraternity pin to his girlfriend. In the general hierarchy of things, pinned is more serious than dropped but not quite engaged.

PRESIDENT'S CLUB - Comprising all campus organization presidents, SA Senate, SA Cabinet, CC's and AA's, organization advisors, and the University president. These people get together about once a each semester for dinners, speakers, and opportunities to talk about upcoming plans and events.

QT RUN - A journey to QuikTrip, often taken late at night when a study break is needed.

READING DAYS - The days before final exams at the end of each semester designed for preparing for finals (also commonly referred to as "Dead Days").

RESIDENCE HALLS - On-campus living options that feature living/learning environments while fostering a sense of community and an environment for developing friendships.

RESIDENCE LIFE - The residence life staff are student staff members and full-time professional employees who are responsible for enhancing the quality of living in on-campus residential facilities. Get to know these valuable resources!

RESIDENT ASSISTANT/ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR OR R.A.- A member of the residence life staff team who lives on the residence hall floor and assists with the residential aspects of community living.

RESIDENT ASSISTANT/COMMUNITY COORDINATOR- A member of the residence life staff team who lives on the floor and coordinates community development activities and programming for a fun and comfortable atmosphere.

RD - Residence Directors are the full-time administrators for each residence hall, responsible for all of its social, educational, and operational functions.

RHA - The Residence Hall Association is the organization for all students living in residence halls. This group strives to improve residence life by providing both informative and fun programming. It also recommends policy and procedure changes affecting on-campus living. TU's RHA is well-known for its award-winning representation at state, regional, and national conferences!

RHA WEEK - A week during the spring semester when all the halls plan special fun events. Capped off by the annual RHA awards banquet to celebrate residence hall living.

SA - You are SA! The Student Association is composed of all TU students. It is our student government body, comprising legislative and executive branches. SA is the organization that programs social and

educational activities and serves as a forum for addressing student concerns. If you see the SA logo, you know you're invited to share in the fun.

SAC--The Student Activity Center is the Club House located in the Mayo Village Apartment Complex. Enjoy the comfy furniture, plasma TVs, games, and study areas or use it for mall meetings and socials.

SORORITY ROW--Is the street runs in front of sorority houses (5th Pl.)

SEMI-FORMAL - A dance to which the gentlemen wear coats and ties, and the ladies generally wear street-length dresses.

SENATE - The legislative branch of the Student Association, composed of students elected by the student body. They are responsible for dispersing money from the Senate Discretionary Fund to various campus organizations for their activities. Senate also investigates issues of concern to students and attempts to help solve problems.

SENIOR RESIDENT ASSISTANT OR S.R.A. - Undergraduate student staff member that coordinates the front desk operation, staff development, and other building administration and programming. Thank this person for coordinating you "Jam it Up" sessions.

SENIOR SALUTE - Seniors can finalize all the details for commencement and graduation--from ordering caps and gowns, announcements, and rings; to taking senior photos; to completing all financial business--at this "one-stop shopping" two-day event held in ACAC in the fall and spring semesters.

SKELLY - Skelly Field at H.A. Chapman Stadium, home of TU football and numerous intramural sports.

SPRINGFEST - A weekend of fun activities and parties at the end of the spring semester. Brought to you by SA, of course.

SPRING SEMESTER - Mid January through May.

STAFF - The most popular professor on campus! This term is used on the student schedules when a course instructor is not yet determined.

"STORM SHELTER" - New Student Programs and Orientation Center. Located in the Holmes Student Center, room 51.

STUDENT TELEPHONE DIRECTORY - A telephone book that comes out in mid-October with addresses and phone numbers of TU students.

SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION (SI) - Free supplementary tutoring sessions for students in MAT 1053, 1083, 1093, and 1103 taught by upper level undergraduate students. Attendance is voluntary. Flyers with times and locations of the sessions are handed out in class to all students in these courses.

SYLLABUS - Given to you by your professor at the beginning of the semester. The syllabus contains a description of the course, the professor's office hours, and a schedule of assignments for the semester.

THE U - The grassy area off Delaware bounded by academic buildings and McFarlin Library, now known as the McFarlin Commons. It's the center of campus and a great place for tanning, Frisbee, or snowball fights!

TOILET BOWL - This annual gridiron classic is one of TU's oldest traditions and is even older than the Superbowl. Students and alumni of John Mabee Hall meet each spring for football, foot, and fun.

TWIN - Refers to the Twin Towers residence hall as well as to the cafeteria in that hall. Might be used in various ways such as, "I had Twin for dinner tonight." "Twin" is not to be confused with Twin South, which is a separate building south of Twin Towers.

TWIN TOWERS LOUNGE - Newly refurbished glassed in area of Twin Towers lobby with couches, tables, and a large fireplace. Often used for meetings by various campus organizations.

TWIN TOWERS HALL GOVERNMENT - Governing body which represents Twin Towers' residents and organized traditional community service programs, such as "Trick or Treat Street," "Children for the Holidays," Twin Towers Zoo Day," and "Oozefest," the annual mud volley ball tournament.

WORK-STUDY - The Office of Student Financial Services offers Federal work-study opportunities to qualifying students. These students work approximately 15-20 hours per week around campus or at non-profit organizations in Tulsa. Work-studies can choose to work in academic departments, recreational sports, ACAC, the library, and other interesting spots. Work-study is a great opportunity to learn more about TU while picking up some extra dough. You must file a free application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to see if you qualify. The FAFSA is available in the Office of Student Financial Services (Lorton 210).

W - If you withdraw from a class after the fourth week in the semester, a "Withdrew" (W) will be recorded on your transcript. Withdrawals are not permitted after the end of the twelfth week of a regular semester.

Voice Mail

AUDIX is the TU voice mail message system that allows you to send and receive messages. AUDIX understands the commands that you enter through the touch-tone keypad and "talks" you through each step of the task. You can enter commands without listening to the prompts. All messages are automatically deleted after three days. If you need your messages retained longer than three days, contact the Telecommunications Department.

Help *H

For a complete list of current options during your session, press *H (*4) to get help at any time.

To Log In

1. Dial the AUDIX number - 2020 from on campus, 631-2020 from off campus - and wait for the system to answer.
2. Enter your extension, then press the # key. If you are calling from your own extension, you can omit your extension number and just press the #.
3. Enter your password, press #.

To Record Your Name

1. Log in with extension and password.
2. Press 55.
3. Speak your name.
4. Press # to approve or 1 to record your name again.

To Change Your Password

1. Dial AUDIX and log in.
2. Press 5 to select the subscriber administration menu.
3. Press 4 to change your password.

4. Enter your new password (up to 9 digits, 0-9), then press #.
5. Enter your new password again, then press #.

To Record a Personal Greeting

1. Dial AUDIX and log in.
2. Press 3 to select the Personal Greeting activity menu.
3. Press 1 to record a new greeting.
4. Indicate greeting number you will record, 1-9. (System greeting is 0.)
5. Speak greeting after the tone.
6. Press # to approve.
7. Press 1 to use this greeting for all calls.

To Listen to Messages

1. Dial AUDIX (on campus - x2020; off campus - 631-2020) and log in.
2. Press 2 to get your first incoming message header.
3. Press 0 to listen to the message.
4. Press *3 to delete the message.

To Respond to Incoming Messages

To forward the message with your comments:

1. Listen to the message.
2. Press 1 to respond and then 2 to add comments.
3. Record your comments.
4. Press # to stop recording and approve your comment.
5. Enter recipient's extension number, press #.
6. Press # to send the message.

To respond to caller via voice mail:

1. Listen to the message.
2. Press 1 and then 1 to begin recording.
3. Record your reply.
4. Press # when you have completed your response. The message will automatically be sent to the sender.

To immediately return an on-campus call:

1. Listen to the message.
2. Press 1 to respond.
3. Press 0 to call the sender and AUDIX will automatically return the call.

Canceling calls going directly to AUDIX

1. Listen for dial tone
2. Press #, then press 2
3. You will hear 3 confirmation beeps
4. Hang up handset, wait 10 seconds
5. Listen for dial tone
6. Press #, then press 3
7. Hang up handset

Laundry Tips (No Pink Socks)

When doing laundry, if you remember a few basics, you'll avoid changing the colors of your favorite clothing.

1. Before washing, separate your laundry according to color: all whites, all pastels, and all darks together.
2. Check the water temperatures on the washing machine and adjust as follows: hot for white; warm for pastel; cool for dark.
3. Unless you want splotches on your dark and pastel items, use bleach ONLY on whites. Use the correct amount of bleach.

Wrinkle Avoidance

To avoid massive wrinkles, remove your clothes from the washing machine as soon as they're done, and place in the dryer. When clothes are dry, fold them as soon as you remove them from the dryer.

Tornado Tips

Weather Advisory Broadcasts

Tornado Watch: There is a chance of a tornado forming.

Tornado Warning: A Tornado has been seen or detected by radar.

Tornado Warning Checklist

Keep calm. Keep your radio on for weather information. Seek inside shelter in a tornado cellar, underground excavation, or steel-framed or reinforced concrete building.

In residence halls or campus buildings: Move to the designated shelter area or the basement, or stand in an interior hallway on the lowest floor.

In shopping centers: Go to a designated shelter area or move to the lowest floor into small shop areas.. Do not go to your car! Stay away from structures with wide free-span roofs.

Outdoors: If you are in a car, stop and get into a protected shelter, get into a ditch and lie flat, if no shelter can be found. If you are out in the open, find a ditch or depression, lie flat, and protect your head. Stay away from downed utility wires.

Lightning is Dangerous Too

Indoors: Stay away from electric appliances during storms.

Outdoors: Stay away from conductive objects, seek shelter in a substantial building or in a fully enclosed vehicle with the windows completely shut. If caught outside when lightning is striking nearby, crouch down with feet together and hands over ears to minimize hearing damage from thunder.