

To Our Veterans, Thank You

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To the UT Southwestern Community:

Tomorrow we will celebrate Veterans Day, a day when we pause to pay tribute to the 18 million living Americans who have served in the military. It is a privilege for me to take time to honor these men and women for their service, and I am especially proud to extend that acknowledgment to more than 750 veterans working at UT Southwestern who have served our country across all branches of the military. We owe each of them a debt of gratitude for their sacrifice and selfless dedication to our nation.

At UT Southwestern, we value the skills and experience that veterans bring to our institution, and we are committed to fostering a diverse workplace that includes military veterans among our faculty and staff. Recently, UT Southwestern was honored to be cited by *U.S. Veterans Magazine* on its annual list of "Best of the Best Top Veteran-Friendly Companies" in recognition of our efforts to provide a positive work environment for veterans, transitioning service members, disabled veterans, spouses and veteran business owners.

I hope you will be free to join us tomorrow at noon for our <u>Tribute to Veterans</u> virtual celebration. I also encourage you to take a moment to thank your colleagues and friends who served our nation in the armed forces.

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