

Riggs Thomas E
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Riggs Thomas E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 UNIVERSAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE INC [UTI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 20410 N. 19TH AVE, STE 200
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/15/2010

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP Campus Operations

PHOENIX, AZ 85027

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value | 11/15/2010 | | M | | 358 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 19.64 | 23,522 | D |
| Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value | 11/15/2010 | | F | | 113 ⁽²⁾ D \$ 19.64 | 23,409 | D |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Performance Shares | \$ 0 | 11/15/2010 | | M | 358 | 11/15/2010 11/15/2012 | Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value 358 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Riggs Thomas E 20410 N. 19TH AVE STE 200 PHOENIX, AZ 85027 | | | SVP Campus Operations | |

Signatures

/s/ Chad A. Freed, Attorney-in-fact for Thomas E. Riggs
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 11/16/2010
 Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The Compensation Committee approved a 50% payout of the first tranche of performance units based on UTI's relative total shareholder return as measured on September 30, 2010.
- (2) Shares withheld to satisfy tax liability.
- (3) Amount reduced by the unearned performance shares forfeited due to UTI's relative total shareholder return as measured on September 30, 2010.

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