

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)
03/10/2010

____ 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)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) | (A) or (D) | 5. Amount or Price | 6. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value | 03/10/2010 | | M | 8,250 | A | \$ 23.25 | 26,808 | D |
| Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value | 03/10/2010 | | M | 2,100 | A | \$ 23.63 | 28,908 | D |
| Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value | 03/10/2010 | | S | 11,108 | D | \$ 25.26 | 17,800 | D |

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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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right To Buy) | \$ 23.25 | 03/10/2010 | | M | 8,250 | 06/15/2007 06/15/2016 | Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value | 8,250 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right To Buy) | \$ 23.63 | 03/10/2010 | | M | 2,100 | 02/28/2008 02/28/2017 | Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value | 2,100 |

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/ Thomas E. Riggs 03/11/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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