

Crystal Saenz

Crystal Saenz has been with U. T. System Administration since 2008 and is currently the Assistant Director of Financial Analysis in the Office of Budget and Planning. She began her service in the Controller's Office and held various roles in this office, which included debt service accounting, state and federal grant accounting, preparing financial reports for internal and external stakeholders, assisting with the review of the Annual Financial Report (AFR) for each of the 13 institutions under U. T. System, and submission of the consolidated AFR to the Comptroller's Office. Crystal joined the Office of Budget and Planning in 2023 where her financial analysis and reporting expertise will be utilized to enhance the alignment of institutional budgets to actuals and forecasting and to better support the Long-Range Financial Planning efforts of all UT institutions.

Before joining the U. T. System, Crystal worked in the Office of Sponsored Projects at U. T. Austin where she managed the post-award administration and financial reporting of over 600 federal, state, and private sponsored awards. Prior to that she began her career as an accounting associate in the commercial property and health insurance industry. Collectively, she has almost 20 years of higher education experience and 25 years of financial reporting experience.

Crystal graduated *summa cum laude* with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting and holds an MBA with a concentration in accounting from St. Edward's University. In her spare time, she serves on various school board committees, enjoys attending her daughter's volleyball and basketball games, and spending time with her husband, daughter, and their two foster failure dogs.