



In the Know

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Fight Song

“Fight, North Texas” was written in 1939 by alumnus Francis Stroup (1909 – 2010) after ‘Fessor Floyd Graham announced a marching song contest at a Saturday Night Stage Show. Stroup, a 1929 graduate who composed songs throughout his life, won the contest. He retired as a professor of physical education from Northern Illinois University, where he also wrote the fight song. As a North Texas student, he lettered in basketball and was an accomplished swimmer and diver. He was inducted into the UNT Athletics Hall of Fame in 1987. Stroup helped re-write the lyrics to our fight song when our name changed to the University of North Texas.

Today, we sing:

Fight, North Texas

Let’s give a cheer for U of NT!
Cheer for the green and white.
Victory’s in store whate’er the score.
Our team will ever fight.
Fight, fight, fight!
Shoulder to shoulder we march along, striving for vic-tor-y.
Playing the game for the honor and fame and glory of U-N-T! U - N - T Eagles!
U-N-T Eagles! Fight, fight, fight!

Visit meangreensports.com/trads/fightsong.html to hear a recording of the Fight Song.