



*The 10th Annual*  
**SVETOZAR GLIGORIC TRANSATLANTIC CUP**  
November 6, 2015

The University of Texas at Dallas vs. The University of Belgrade

# *Welcome*

to the **2015 SVETOZAR GLIGORIC  
TRANSATLANTIC CUP**

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**Dr. Hobson Wildenthal**  
 President *ad interim*  
 The University of Texas at Dallas

October 30, 2015



*Greetings, everyone!*

On behalf of UT Dallas President ad interim Hobson Wildenthal, I would like to welcome you to this tenth annual contest for the Svetozar Gligoric Transatlantic Cup!

The accomplished students from The University of Texas at Dallas Chess Team again take their Internet seats across the boards from the talented team members from The University of Belgrade in Serbia.

Over the ten years of the match, both teams' rosters continue to reveal a range of academic pursuits. The UT Dallas Chess Team majors in Biology, Finance, Mathematics, Psychology, Computer Science, and Software Engineering. Belgrade students major in disciplines such as Civil Engineering, Law, Physics, Philosophy, Economics, and Business Administration.

UT Dallas is currently ranked as #3 in the nation and #16 in the world in the Times Higher Education Ranking for institutions under 50 years of age. We are continually striving to become one of the "great universities of the world" with innovation, collaboration and a multidisciplinary approach.

The fall classic match has 16 one-to-one matches. A victory on any board counts as one point; draws are split as ½ point for each team. Belgrade leads the series 5-4. But, I would be remiss not to mention that in terms of games won, UT Dallas leads 73.5 - 70.5. Each team has traded punches on a regular basis with no one giving ground!

Enjoy the match as our future UT Dallas leaders engage in cerebral warfare with their equally accomplished European adversaries!

Best regards,

James A. Stallings  
 Director, Chess Program



### *Greetings, everyone!*

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to the 10th annual long-distance chess match between the University of Belgrade and the University of Texas at Dallas. Let me start by congratulating all the players from both teams who made their appearance at this unique event over the past decade. I would especially like to thank our students for the excellent results achieved so far, with best wishes to retain the lead. Furthermore, let me express my gratitude to all the people involved in the organization of the

long-distance chess match, from both Dallas and Serbia, who made the duels between our chess teams over the internet traditional.

Since 2012, the duel carries the name of the world famous chess grandmaster and chess legend Svetozar Gligoric, and we are grateful to our colleagues from Dallas for having accepted this. In previous matches our University has shown itself as an outstanding opponent, so all the matches had very thrilling endings. The University of Belgrade is proud to have such excellent chess players among its students and alumni.

After nine matches played so far, the current result is 5:4 in our University's favor. Taking into consideration the teams announced, the jubilee tenth match will be the most challenging so far and a very close duel is expected. Nonetheless, the University of Belgrade does expect to win the Trophy in this year's match.

At our university, the match is traditionally played at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, where we also cordially invite distinguished persons from our country to be honorable guests. Famous grandmasters, government and university officials, as well as well-renowned sportsmen made their appearance and made the first moves at the chess matches played in the course of the past decade, which contributed very much to the importance of this event. As always, the media will cover this unique event happening in the chess and the academic world, and it will also be possible to follow the match on-line, using the ICC – Internet Chess Club web address <http://www.chessclub.com/>.

Best wishes to both teams!

Professor Vladimir Bumbasirevic, MD  
Rector of the University of Belgrade, Serbia  
(<http://www.bg.ac.rs/en/index.php>)



**Aleksandar Indjic**  
*Grandmaster*  
 UCSF Rating: 2558  
 Major: Psychology



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**Nikola Nestorovic**  
*International Master*  
 STD Rating: 2449  
 Major: Education (M.S.)

**Gil Popilski**  
*Grandmaster*  
 UCSF Rating: 2529  
 Major: Computer Science



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**Marko Nenezic**  
*International Master*  
 STD Rating: 2469  
 Major: Civil Engineering

**Denis Kadric**  
*Grandmaster*  
 UCSF Rating: 2518  
 Major: Finance



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**Milos Stankovic**  
*International Master*  
 STD Rating: 2424  
 Major: Law/Business Admin

**Dani Raznikov**  
*Grandmaster*  
 UCSF Rating: 2515  
 Major: Software Engineering



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**Luka Draskovic**  
*International Master*  
 STD Rating: 2447  
 Major: Organizational Sciences

**David Berczes**  
*Grandmaster*  
 UCSF Rating: 2488  
 Major: Finance



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**Ivan Sarenac**  
*International Master*  
 STD Rating: 2410  
 Major: Law

**Sahaj Grover**  
*Grandmaster*  
 UCSF Rating: 2491  
 Major: Psychology

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**Vladimir Lukovic**  
*FIDE Master*  
 STD Rating: 2442  
 Major: Mathematics




**Kacper Drozdowski**  
*International Master*  
 UCSF Rating: 2476  
 Major: Computer Science

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**Milos Lapcevic**  
*International Master*  
 STD Rating: 2368  
 Major: Mathematics




**Zurabi Javakhadze**  
*International Master*  
 UCSF Rating: 2438  
 Major: ATEC

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**Nikola Potpara**  
*National Candidate Master*  
 STD Rating: 2406  
 Major: Physics




**Arthur Calugar**  
*International Master*  
 UCSF Rating: 2232  
 Major: Computer Science

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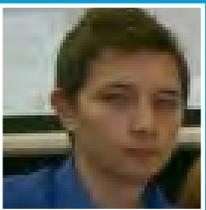
**Miloje Ratkovic**  
*National Master*  
 STD Rating: 2388  
 Major: Law




**Jarod Pamatmat**  
*National Master*  
 UCSF Rating: 2245  
 Major: Biology

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**Milovan Ratkovic**  
*National Master*  
 STD Rating: 2378  
 Major: Philosophy

**Mariam Danelia**  
*Woman International Master*  
 UCSF Rating: 2240  
 Major: Finance

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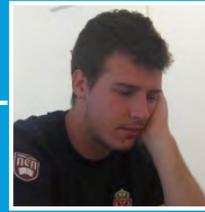
**Petar Krstic**  
*National Master*  
 STD Rating: 2333  
 Major: Law [M.S.]




**Artur Safin**  
*National Master*  
*UCSF Rating: 2235*  
*Major: Mathematics*



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**Lazar Radusinovic**  
*National Candidate Master*  
*STD Rating: 2364*  
*Major: Business Admin*

**Cheradee Camacho**  
*Woman International Master*  
*UCSF Rating: 2221*  
*Major: Computer Science*



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**Lazar Nestorovic**  
*International Master*  
*STD Rating: 2333*  
*Major: Sports & Physical Ed.*

**Hakim Navid**  
*UCSF Rating: 1809*  
*Major: Mechanical Engineering*



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**Marija Rakic**  
*Woman International Master*  
*STD Rating: 2349*  
*Major: Economics*

**Michael Kneen**  
*UCSF Rating: 1626*  
*Major: Mathematics*



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**David Sarenac**  
*National Candidate Master*  
*STD Rating: 2306*  
*Major: Law*

**Alekhya Nandula**  
*UCSF Rating: 1714*  
*Major: Computer Science*



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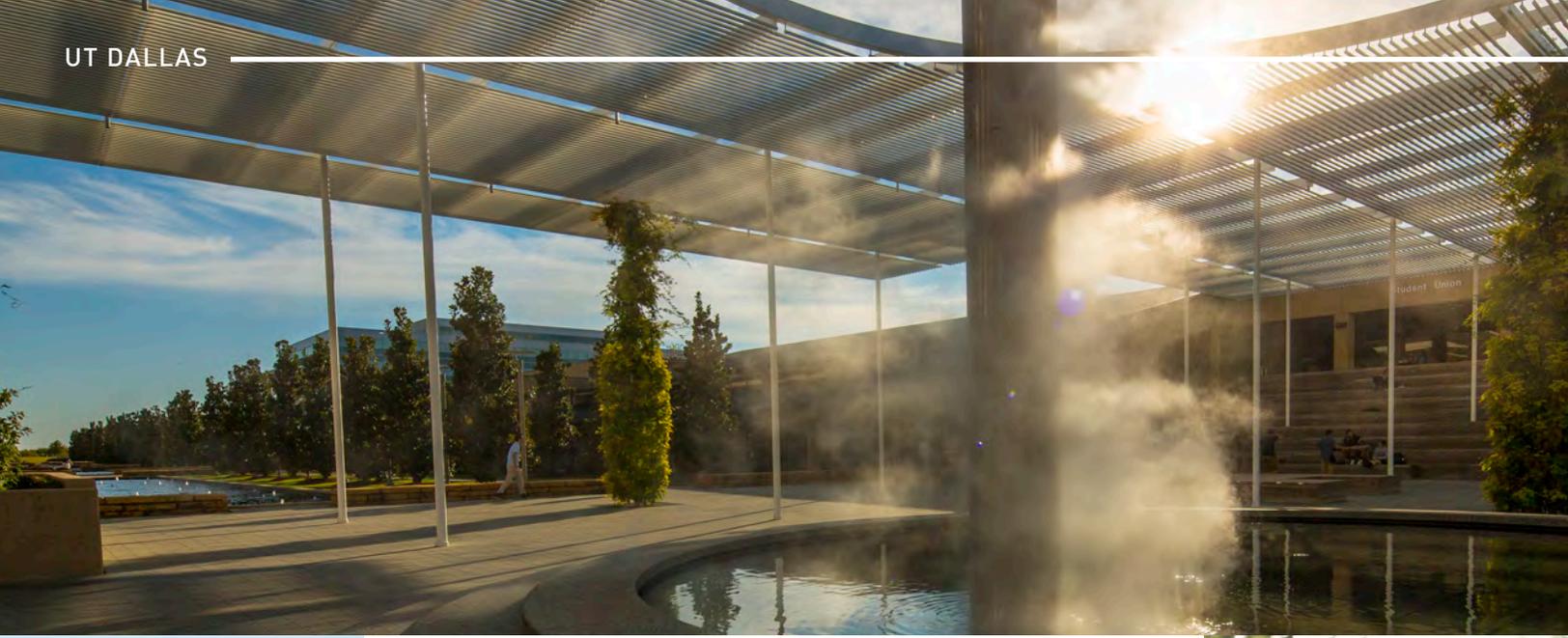


**Nikola Elez**  
*National Candidate Master*  
*STD Rating: 2199*  
*Major: Business Admin*

**Stephen Raveneau**  
*UCSF Rating: 1702*  
*Major: Psychology*



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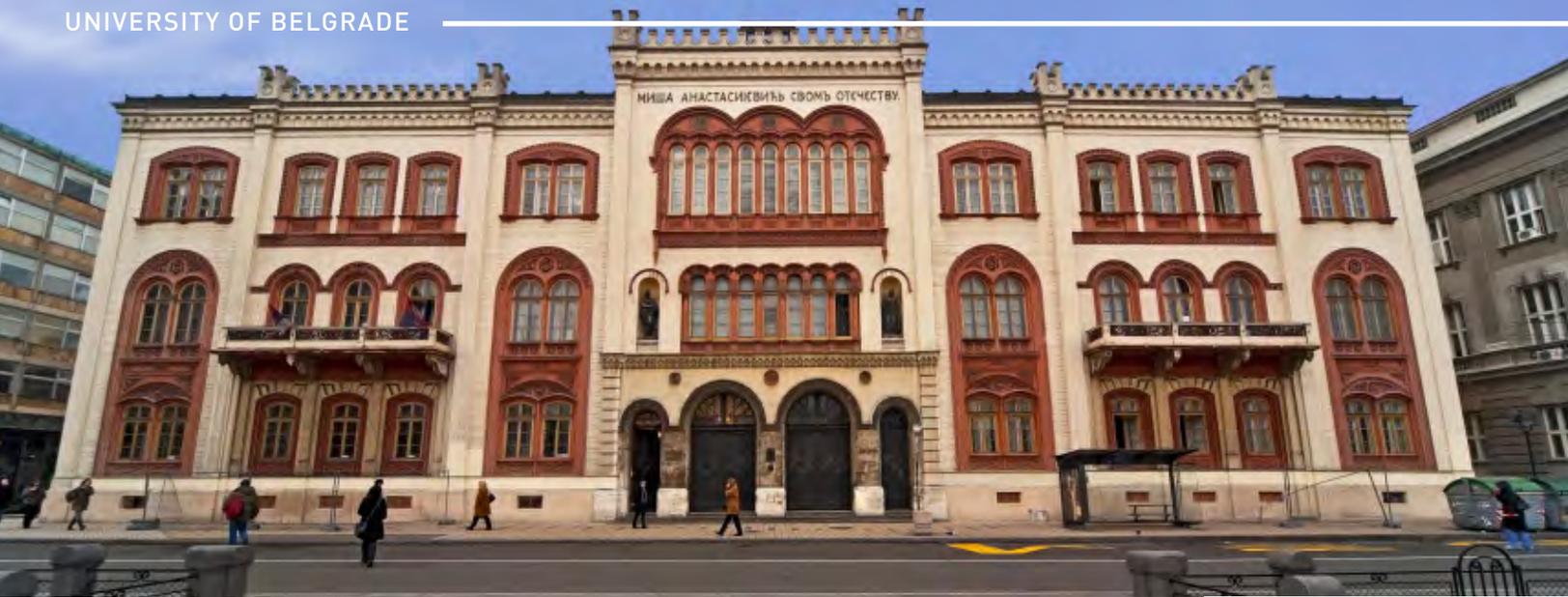


The University of Texas at Dallas (UT Dallas or informally UTD) is a public research university in the University of Texas System.

The main campus is in Richardson, Texas, Telecom Corridor, 18 miles (29 km) north of downtown Dallas. The institution, established in 1961 as the Graduate Research Center of the Southwest and later renamed the Southwest Center for Advanced Studies (SCAS), began as a research arm of Texas Instruments.

The school has a Division III athletics program in the American Southwest Conference and fields 13 intercollegiate teams. The university recruits worldwide for its chess team and has a nationally recognized debate team. For the spring 2015 commencement the university granted 1,779 bachelor's degrees, 1,685 master's degrees and 89 PhDs for a total of 3,553 degrees.







The University of Belgrade is the oldest and largest university in Serbia.

Founded in 1808 as the Belgrade Higher School in revolutionary Serbia, by 1838 it merged with the Kragujevac-based departments into a single university. The University has nearly 90,000 students (including around 1,700 postgraduates) and over 4,200 members of teaching staff.

Since its founding, the University has educated more than 330,000 bachelors, around 21,300 magisters, 29,000 specialists and 12,600 doctors. The University comprises 31 faculties, 11 research institutes, the university library, and 7 university centres. The faculties are organized into 4 groups: social sciences and humanities; medical sciences; natural sciences and mathematics; and technological sciences.



# *Gligoric Transatlantic Cup*

## MATCH HISTORY

	Winner	Score
<b>2006</b>	Belgrade	8.5 - 7.5
<b>2007</b>	Dallas	11.0 - 5.0
<b>2008</b>	Dallas	12.5 - 3.5
<b>2009</b>	Dallas	8.5 - 7.5
<b>2010</b>	Belgrade	11.5 - 4.5
<b>2011</b>	Tie	8.0 - 8.0
<b>2012</b>	Belgrade	9.5 - 6.5
<b>2013</b>	Belgrade	9 - 7
<b>2014</b>	Tie	8 - 8



### **Tournament Director: Francisco Guadalupe, International Arbiter**

*Opening ceremony begins at 12:30pm on Friday, November 6, in the Davidson Auditorium of Naveen Jindal School of Management. It is free and open to the public.*

*Time control is 40 minutes per players plus 5 seconds incremental time per move. The match will last about 2 hours.*



**UT Dallas** comprises seven schools, offers an array of interdisciplinary degree programs and features a student population as diverse as its areas of study.

With a current enrollment of over 21,000 students and a world-class faculty that includes one Nobel laureate, members of the National Academies of Sciences and Engineering and active, news-making researchers, UT Dallas aims to provide Texas and the nation with the benefits of educational and research programs of the highest quality. By merging theory with practice in classrooms and at the University's 56 research centers, we challenge students to investigate their own questions and create the future they envision for themselves.

# Chess at UT Dallas

What makes our chess program unique is that we offer something for everyone. We offer chess opportunities for every interest and skill level through:

- The championship chess team
- The inclusive student chess society
- Online "Chess in Education" courses for college credit
- Chess education outreach efforts, including children's summer chess camps



**“65 years ago, the high tech predecessor of our Internet matches today was the 1950 USA-Yugoslavia Radio Match.”**

**-Jim Stallings**



*“I still remember, 65 years ago during the cold days of February in Belgrade, my assigned duty for the chess match was to transfer the radio-received messages from the office to the stage. While hiding behind the curtains I helped by translating the messages onto the chessboard. (Steve’s) responsibilities were to deliver these messages to the chess players and to show their moves on the chessboard for the spectators. All this was done in reverse as well.”*

**-Vasa Kostich**

*I was moving pieces on the big board in 1950. Every board had one of us assigned to move pieces. The boards were by the table were our players and American substitutes were sitting. My assignment was Ivkov vs Bisquier. I was senior in gymnasium (high school) and we had to get special permission from the ministry of education to miss school.*

*The Match was before PC so moves came via telephone or telegram--I do not remember. Then a person took the message from the communication room to the guy sitting in the place where the American would be sitting. After the substitute for the American player made the move and pressed the clock, I would show that move on the big board which was right by each board.*

**-Steve Pejovich**



***Special thanks go to the Internet Chess Club (ICC) for their time and effort to host this event to promote intercollegiate chess. Without their services and contribution, this match would not be possible.***

ICC recently launched new bulk membership packages with reduced rates so that everyone in your chess community can enjoy all the benefits of ICC membership. These bulk memberships are ideal for:

- Chess Federations
  - Chess Clubs
- Schools and Universities
  - Chess coaches

**Match Broadcast** ▶

*To follow the match live, go to **chessclub.com** in advance to sign up for a temporary account.*

# In Memoriam

## Svetozar Gligoric (1923-2012)

The annual match between the University of Belgrade and UT Dallas has been renamed to “The Svetozar Gligoric Transatlantic Cup” in memory of legendary Serbian Grandmaster Svetozar Gligoric. He passed away in Belgrade on August 14, 2012. He was 89 years old.

Gligoric took first in the Yugoslavian championship 12 times and played for Yugoslavia in the biennial Chess Olympiad 15 times, winning the gold medal in 1950. He was one of the world’s leading players, and was one of the world’s top ten in the 1950s and 60s. The Yugoslavian government declared him the country’s best athlete of 1958. Gligoric also tied for first with Samuel Reshevsky in The Dallas 1957 Chess Tournament, played in Hotel Adolphus in Dallas from November 30 to December 16, 1957. The main event was a contest among eight players from seven countries.



Gligoric also wrote the book *Fischer vs. Spassky: The Chess Match of the Century*, which covers Bobby Fischer’s victory over Boris Spassky in the 1972 World Chess Championship. The work has sold more than 400,000 copies.

Gligoric made significant contributions to the theory and practice of the King’s Indian Defence and the Ruy Lopez. He was fluent in several languages, and worked as a professional journalist and organizer of chess tournaments. Besides chess, his most enduring passion was music, and in 2011 he released a CD featuring compositions that drew on jazz, ballads and rap.

## Sinisa Joksic (1940-2012)

In Belgrade, Sinisa Joksic was the Tournament Director who represented the interests of UT Dallas Chess Team.



At UT Dallas, we have a great appreciation for the relationship between academia and chess, and we are prepared to help educators realize all that chess can offer in the classroom. Whether it is to improve students' concentration, raise test scores or to add variety in the classroom environment, our "chess in the classroom" courses provide educators with new instruction and tools.

Instructor: Dr. Alexey Root.

Chess Online consists of two for-credit undergraduate courses offered through UT Dallas eLearning.

*Chess I, ED 4358: Using Chess in Schools (three semester hours) – Using chess to teach critical thinking, math, and reading skills in elementary and secondary classrooms. This course is also appropriate for chess instructors who wish to incorporate additional academic and humanistic goals into their programs. No previous knowledge of chess is required.*

*Chess II, ED 4359: Using Institutional and Cultural Contexts of Chess (three semester hours) – Examination of the roles of chess in history and in contemporary culture and analysis of chess in education. Each student's culminating paper proposes improving an existing chess program or developing a new chess program. No prior knowledge of chess is required.*

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