

# Dr. Rusty Reeves

## Director of the Center for Anatomical Sciences



**Dr.** **Rusty Reeves, PhD**, is the Director of the Center for Anatomical Sciences at The University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth. Dr. Reeves oversees a rapidly growing educational component at HSC, teaching cadaver-based anatomy to more than 600 students every year.

Dr. Reeves recently led the renovation of the Anatomy Teaching Laboratory, successfully expanding the unit's institutional impact and building additional resources. He successfully recruited a team of experts that have transformed HSC's Willied Body Program into the largest in the state.

Furthermore, Dr. Reeves hosts clinical skills training events for emergency medical technicians, residents and clinicians, and other health care professionals in the new BioSkills of North Texas facility. His research includes collaborations with physical therapists, orthopedic surgeons, and area clinicians to investigate pathological issues from an anatomical and biomechanical perspective. Currently, he is working with a medical device company to train cardiothoracic surgeons on how to perform open-heart surgery while the heart continues to beat.

For the last few decades, Dr. Reeves has been involved in numerous K-12 outreach programs for teachers and students teaching both how to respond to a variety of medical-related scenarios. In addition, Dr. Reeves was a founding member of the Texas Academy of Biomedical Sciences, an early college high school in Fort Worth ISD dedicated to educating students interested in the biomedical sciences/careers.

A fixture at HSC since 1992, Dr. Reeves earned his PhD from the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences in 1997. Dr. Reeves has received several awards for teaching excellence, including the Golden Apple Teaching Award in 2009, the President's Award for Educational Excellence in 2013, and Valubility of the Year Award in 2015.