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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Cranston Kenneth J

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

UNIVERSAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE INC [UTI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/14/2010

20410 NORTH 19TH AVE, STE

(Middle)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

SVP Admissions

(State)

(Street)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

PHOENIX, AZ 85027

1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if
(Instr. 3)		any
		(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

13,814

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

Stock, 09/14/2010 \$0.0001 par value

9,172 (1)

\$0

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	Execution Date, if any	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number one Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Performance Shares	\$ 0	09/14/2010		A	1,845 (2)	11/15/2013	11/15/2013	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value	1,845

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

10% Owner Officer Director Other

Cranston Kenneth J

20410 NORTH 19TH AVE SVP Admissions **STE 200**

PHOENIX, AZ 85027

Signatures

/s/ Kenneth J. 09/15/2010 Cranston

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The Board of Directors approved the grant on September 14, 2010. The restricted stock vests in four annual equal installments.
 - The Board of Directors approved the grant on September 14, 2010. Each Performance Share represents a contingent right to receive one share of Universal Technical Institute, Inc. common stock. The Performance Shares vest upon achievement of certain performance
- (2) criteria based on total shareholder return, with a measurement period starting October 1, 2010 September 30, 2013. Performance Shares will vest on November 15, 2013. The actual number of shares of common stock issued at the time of vesting can range from 0% to 200% depending on the total shareholder return achieved in the measurement period.

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