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University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX
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University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX
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Therapist, Brain Training, Inc., Plano, TX

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Neuroanatomy, University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX

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Personality Psychology, University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX

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