

UNIVERSAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE INC  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 PUTNAM EUGENE S JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 UNIVERSAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE INC [UTI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 20410 N. 19TH AVENUE, STE 200  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/15/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP- Chief Financial Officer

PHOENIX, AZ 85027

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                  |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Amount  | Price  |                                   |
| Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value | 09/15/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>            |  | A                              | 17,325  | A \$ 0  | 31,788   | 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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Performance Shares                         | \$ 0   | 09/15/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>            |  | A                              | 4,327   | 11/15/2010 11/15/2012                                    | Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value 4,327                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| PUTNAM EUGENE S JR<br>20410 N. 19TH AVENUE<br>STE 200<br>PHOENIX, AZ 85027 |               |           | EVP- Chief Financial Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Chad A Freed, attorney in fact for Eugene S. Putnam Jr. 09/17/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## 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) Restrictions on the shares of restricted stock lapse ratably over four years.

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 criteria based on total shareholder return, with measurement periods on each of September 30, 2010, September 30, 2011 and September 30, 2012. Performance Shares will vest on each of November 15, 2010, November 15, 2011 and November 15, 2012. 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 each specific measurement period.

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