

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP NETWORK

Leading as a Longhorn

The University Leadership Network at The University of Texas at Austin is a program designed to help students develop leadership skills while achieving academic success that is consistent with graduating in four years. ULN includes a comprehensive four-year plan that involves training, experiential learning opportunities, community and university service, as well as the chance to engage in self-reflection regarding leadership development.

ULN awards students up to \$20,000 in scholarship funding over four years. You will receive \$5,000 per year, paid to you in monthly installments during the fall and spring semesters. You will receive a \$1,000 scholarship payment the first month of both fall and spring semesters and three \$500 monthly scholarship payments for the remainder of each semester. The ULN Scholarship is in addition to any grants or scholarship that have been offered by the financial aid office, your college or from The University.

Participants will begin their first year with interactive training followed by opportunities to apply their new leadership skills. In the second through fourth years, students will participate in on-campus experiential learning opportunities, continued leadership development and opportunities to engage in community and university service.

In order to receive this scholarship, ULN students agree to participate in the following program requirements.

A First-Year University Leadership Network Participant will:

- Attend weekly ULN Leadership Speaker Series and small group application sessions (two hours total)
- Complete 10 hours of university/community service each semester.
- Complete 30 hours of coursework before beginning your sophomore year (24 hours in-residence at UT Austin).
- Maintain a minimum cumulative 2.0 – 4.0 GPA.
- Attend University Leadership Network events (approximately one to two per semester).

By Participating in the University Leadership Network, First-Year Students:

- Earn up to \$5,000 each year in financial assistance – that's \$20,000 over four years!
- Receive monthly \$500 disbursements throughout the fall and spring semesters.
- Develop leadership experience that spans the classroom, community and workplace.
- Engage in experiential learning opportunities.
- Receive professional development training for the workplace.
- May use the University Leadership Network as their 360 Connection.

Each academic year, student participation requirements evolve as they progress towards graduation. For example, second year ULN students participate in on-campus internships after completing their foundational year of training.

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<http://www.utexas.edu/enrollment-management/programs/university-leadership-network>

Who are ULN Students?...

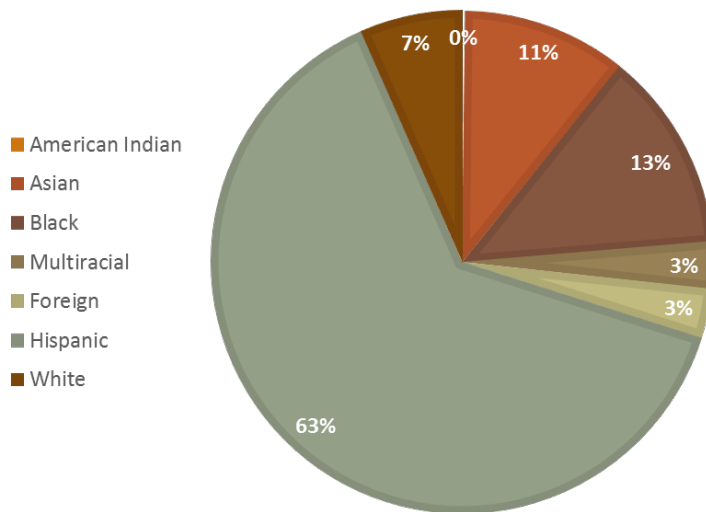
- 500 first-year students are admitted annually from across all colleges within the University
- Students who are admitted to UT and generally in the top 10%
- Students who demonstrate financial need and generally meet the criteria for an academic success program. Populations represented within ULN include:
 - First-generation (n=339)
 - Low Socio-economic
 - Underrepresented group
 - Lower half of the SAT range
 - Small rural high school

College Affiliation

College Affiliation	Percent
Natural Science	41%
Undergraduate Studies	18%
Engineering	13%
Liberal Arts	9%
Fine Arts	5%
Business	4%
Communication	4%
Architecture	2%
Education	2%
Geosciences	1%
Nursing	1%
Social Work	>1%

Demographics

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- 44% Female
- 56% Male

After Their First Year...

Student Status	Percentage
Persistence	93% (n=469)
Dismissed	5% (n=23)
Withdrawn*	3% (n=13)
Non-participation	0% (n=1)
On probation (< 2.0 GPA)	6% (n=28)
In good standing (≥ 2.0 GPA)	87% (n=441)