

About

The Goolsby Leadership Academy at The University of Texas at Arlington was founded on the principle that people become great leaders when they discover, understand and apply their own talents. Tomorrow's leaders will succeed not by fixating on weakness or imitating others, but by exploring and nurturing their distinctive strengths.

For over a decade, the Academy has enhanced conventional learning by challenging students to be problem solvers and ethical leaders. Focusing on integrity, courage and impact, the Academy has developed outstanding alumni that are excelling in their professional careers. Now, thanks to a gift from the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF), the Goolsby Leadership Academy has created the BNSF Early Leader Program. This extension of the Academy will accept business-intended freshman (2nd Semester), sophmores, and transfer students and is dedicated to strengthening the leadership ability of students.

Program Format

Spring of Freshman year: Students will enroll in ECON 2306.

Fall of Sophomore year: Students will enroll in a special section of LSHP 2302 – Communications in

Organizations, taught by a Goolsby Academy faculty member. Plus, additional

non-class activities will be scheduled.

Spring of Sophomore year: The students will enroll in BCOM 3360. Unless planning to FastTrack Accounting.

Other events include: guest speakers, team building activities, and Business Visits.

To be considered for the BNSF Early Leader Program as a freshman you must:

- Be a second semester freshman (Enroll Oct to Jan before Spring Semester).
- Have 12 hours or more of college credit.
- Be a Business-Intended student or business major throughout the program while completing business curriculum.
- Maintain full-time enrollment.
- Have a 3.1 GPA or Better

To be enrolled as a sophomore in the BNSF Early Leader Program you must:

- Have 20 hours or more college credit.
- Be a Business-Intended student or business major throughout the program while completing business curriculum.
- Maintain a 3.1 GPA or Better
- Maintain full-time enrollment.

Apply through MAV ScholarShop or Request an application from goolsbyacademy@uta.edu.