



GOOLSBY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY APPLICATION INFORMATION

All Goolsby Leadership Academy students will participate in courses that emphasize leadership development, communication, ethics, and personal integrity. Some courses may fulfill degree requirements while others will be considered elective courses in the student's degree plan. Much of this depends on the student's program of work and major.

The Goolsby Leadership Academy is open to full-time business students. The Academy is a two-year program and is normally awarded for the student's junior and senior year. Annual scholarships (\$2,500) will be awarded to students selected for the Academy. Although applicants must have a 3.1 or higher GPA at the time of application, preference will be given to those applicants with a 3.2 or higher GPA. Those accepted to the program are required (1) to maintain full-time status (minimum of 12 hours) beginning in the Fall of their first year in the Academy and throughout the program and (2) to maintain at least a 3.0 GPA to receive scholarship support. Candidates meeting the selection criteria will be contacted for an interview as part of the selection process.

Those chosen as Goolsby Scholars are strongly encouraged to gain admission to the Honors College. The Honors College seeks students with broad interests, varied talents, and diverse cultural backgrounds. Admission is competitive and is not based solely on grades or test scores; a student's personal statement and extracurricular activities are also considered. Although this application also qualifies as an application to the Honors College, the decision to accept the student into the Honors College is made separately.

Starting 2016, applications will be handled through the UTA scholarship portal MAV ScholarShop (uta.academicworks.com); new and transfer students will need to request a PDF version of the application. Below you will find the different sections that you will be required to complete in the online application. In our website you will also find a document titled "Application Walkthrough" which provides a step by step description of the online application process.

If you have any questions regarding the application process please contact the Goolsby Leadership Academy at goolsbyacademy@uta.edu. In your email please make sure to include your name and UTA ID number.

Awards, Honors, Activities and/or Organizations of Achievement

Please provide a brief chronological list of activities, clubs, organizations, employment positions and events in which you have had a significant leadership role. These should reflect personal initiative, motivation and the ability to organize others to accomplish a desired outcome or goals. Each experience should be explained in a narrative form and include the following information: (1) Dates of involvement, (2) The name of the Activity, Club, Organization, Employment, etc. (3) Your Specific Role, (4) Accomplishments.

Career Interests

Please write an essay where you describe your job and career interests, and indicate how being a part of the Goolsby Leadership Academy and the Honors College might help you achieve these goals.

Why are you applying to the Academy?

Please describe in detail what you believe to be your most significant leadership experience. Describe the circumstances of the experience – what made it so significant? What was the nature of the project or activity in which this experience occurred? What was your role, leader or follower? What did you learn about your own strengths or weaknesses that will help make you a better leader and/or what leadership strengths and weaknesses did you observe in others? Explain how you will incorporate what you have learned into your future leadership roles. (Note that a significant experience need not always be a successful one. Our failures often teach us as much as, if not more than, our successes.)

Recommendations

The applicant is required to provide two (2) letters of recommendation from persons who can provide information about his/her leadership potential. These persons can be supervisors of past or present jobs, mentors, teachers, coaches, scout leaders, or adult leaders of organizations.

Once you submit your references to the website, the system will automatically send an email to the individuals listed. They will be provided a link in which they will be able to post the letter of recommendation. Please note that The Goolsby Leadership Academy Selection Committee must receive recommendation letters before your application is considered complete. Please follow up with your references to assure letters are sent by the application deadline. New and transfer students will have their letters emailed to goolsbyacademy@uta.edu.

Signature

1. I agree to maintain a full-time enrollment status in the forthcoming Fall semester, and subsequent semesters, if I accept a Goolsby Leadership Academy scholarship. I also agree that if I fail to maintain a full-time enrollment status I will repay the scholarship.
2. I hereby affirm that the information submitted herewith is true and correct.
3. I understand that being part of the Goolsby Leadership Academy is more than just a scholarship. I understand that being part of the Academy requires a four-semester commitment and that my continuation in the program depends on successfully completing the four Academy courses with the cohort. Please type your name below to certify that you understand the above statement.

(Signature of Applicant)