



Undergraduate Scholarships

Honors College

OVERVIEW

The Honors Experience is the UTSA Honors College (HC) experienced-based, highly customizable curriculum that is flexible enough to fit each of its approximately 1,400 students' individual goals. Featuring a combination of professional planning and coursework that has students discuss pertinent contemporary world issues and complete six signature experiences, these program requirements can be completed through Honors coursework or through outside-classroom pursuits, such as internships, research, study abroad experiences, and service learning. Regardless of how an Honors student's individual curriculum is designed, it is always rigorous, demanding, and time-consuming. To ensure that its financially disadvantaged students can make the most of the academic opportunities available to them, the Honors College is committed to building robust endowments and other funds to support its Top Scholars, Community Scholars, Global Scholars, and Retention Scholarship programs.



CHALLENGE

While the Honors College is an academic destination for many of UTSA's talented students, the decision to accept an initiation to HC's elite community is often predicated on a student's financial ability to take advantage the opportunities the HC provides. Rigorous and demanding academic studies combined with knowledge-building internships, research, and study abroad opportunities make it difficult for Honors College students to find the extra time to work outside jobs that can help pay

their tuition and other expenses. Currently, the college must establish an increased number of endowed and annual scholarships to meet the financial aid demand of its students. More than 50% of Honors College students are unable to participate in important internships due to financial barriers beyond their control. Robust endowments will bolster the college's prestigious and highly competitive scholarship programs, creating greater opportunities for HC students to participate in its elite programs.



IMPACT

The Honors College develops talented and committed students who will contribute to the intellectual, economic, and social capital of San Antonio, the State of Texas, and beyond. Investments in the college's scholarship programs will be multiplied many times over as the college yields jobs, a robust and multigenerational landscape of leaders, and broader political and civic participation. An endowment for our Top Scholars would also secure the HC program and allow for the reallocation of institutional funds to other areas of need for the college. For example, an endowment for Retention Scholarships would support more talented students who have limited financial aid. An endowment for Global Scholars would create a cohort of students and a program focused on global engagement and study abroad, two areas that are essential for developing nationally competitive scholars. Finally, an endowment for Community Scholars would ensure funding for students who might otherwise not be able to engage in internships, study abroad programs, and research. This would encourage more students to engage with the community.



PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Texas at San Antonio has launched a comprehensive campaign to support UTSA's 10-Year-Strategic Vision introduced by President **Taylor Eighmy in 2017**. Be Bold: A Campaign for Our Future, which also extends 10 years and has a working goal of \$500 million, is focused on providing the infrastructure and resources needed to become a model for student success and research discovery. There are several philanthropic opportunities within the Honors College.

Undergraduate Scholarships and Graduate Student Fellowships make a tremendous difference in helping UTSA attract and recognize high-achieving students.

Endowed Faculty Positions help foster excellence in research and support efforts to recruit and retain highly qualified educators, researchers, and administrators.

Capital Projects provide the necessary spaces to stimulate learning, research, creativity, and collaboration among students and faculty. Our endowment levels include:

\$2,000,000+	Distinguished University Chair
\$1,500,000+	Distinguished Chair
\$1,000,000+	Chair
\$500,000+	Distinguished Professorship
\$250,000+	Professorship
\$100,000+	Faculty Fellowship
\$25,000+	Undergraduate or Graduate Scholarship

UTSA has multiple avenues available to make an incredible impact. Gifts made annually can provide scholarship, research, and programmatic support across all areas. Gifts made through certain assets also have many benefits and include stock, IRAs, donor advised funds, real estate, life insurance, intellectual property, collectibles, matching gifts, in-kind gifts, estate gifts, and more.

Naming Opportunities

The University of Texas at San Antonio also welcomes the opportunity to discuss a naming opportunity that can provide support beyond bricks and mortar. Supporting a naming opportunity can allow for major academic and programmatic transformations that will elevate UTSA to greater levels of excellence and increase its competitiveness on a global scale.

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