



GOOLSBY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY  
BOX 19377 ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76019-0377

## GOOLSBY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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 scholarship is open to both full-time and part-time business students. The Academy is a two-year program and is normally awarded for the student's junior and senior year. Annual scholarships (\$2,000) will be awarded to students selected for the Academy. Although applicants must have a 3.0 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 Academy fellowship and (2) to maintain at least a 3.0 GPA to receive scholarship support. Candidates meeting the pre-selection criteria will be contacted for an interview as part of the selection process.

Those chosen as Goolsby Fellows 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.

### Section I - Personal Information

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Initial)
2. Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip)
3. Telephone (Hm) \_\_\_\_\_ (Wk) \_\_\_\_\_  
(area code/number) (area code/number)
4. Student ID No. \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## **Section II - Education**

Date entered UTA \_\_\_\_\_ Expected graduation date \_\_\_\_\_

Number of hours earned at UTA \_\_\_\_\_ Overall UTA GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Current Classification: Sophomore \_\_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_\_

Business degree major or concentration \_\_\_\_\_

Number of hours currently enrolled in this semester \_\_\_\_\_

I am currently enrolled in the Honors College Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If not currently enrolled, do you wish to apply with this application? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

## **Section III - Awards, Honors, Activities and/or Organizations of Achievement**

On a separate sheet of paper please provide a brief chronological list of those activities, clubs, organizations, employment positions and events in which you have had a significant leadership role or impact, that is, shown personal initiative and/or motivated and organized others to accomplish a desired outcome or goals. Please include the following information: (1) Dates of involvement, (2) Activity/Club/Organization/Employment, (3) Your Specific Role, (4) Accomplishments. NOTE: Each experience can be explained in a narrative form. Please type your response.

## **Section IV - Career Interests**

On another sheet of paper, please 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. Again, please type your response.

## **Section V - Why are you applying for the Scholarship?**

On a third sheet of paper, write an essay (of 250 words or less) that describes 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.) Present your essay in typed form.

## **Section VI – Recommendations**

The applicant is required to provide two 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. Recommendation letters must be sent directly to the

Goolsby Leadership Academy Selection Committee at:

Goolsby Leadership Academy  
Attn: Dr. David Mack  
Dean's Office  
College of Business Administration  
Box 19377  
Arlington, Texas 76019-0377

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.

**Information regarding your references:**

Please provide the following information about the individuals you have selected to write recommendation letters for you:

*Reference I*

*Reference II*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Organization/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Organization/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

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E-mail Address

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E-mail Address

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Mailing Address

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**Section VII – Signature**

1. Please include copies of all transcripts from colleges or universities attended with this application (UTA inclusive).
2. 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.
3. I hereby affirm that the information submitted herewith is true and correct.

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(Signature of Applicant)





## Goolsby Leadership Academy Recommendation Form

APPLICANT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

You have been asked to write a recommendation for the above-named individual for admission to the Goolsby Leadership Academy at the University of Texas at Arlington. Each year the Selection Committee admits students into the Academy based on demonstrated leadership ability and promise. Each student selected will receive a \$2,000 scholarship (renewable for a second year) and will be expected to participate in all of the Academy's activities and courses. Recipients of these scholarships are required to take courses in leadership development, communication, ethics and personal integrity, as well as other relevant topics. The Selection Committee asks that your recommendation address the following questions. Thank you for providing thoughtful answers.

**NOTE: We appreciate that you are taking the time to write this recommendation and request that you do so quickly as possible so that the student's application can be considered for acceptance in a timely manner. Send your recommendation letter to Goolsby Leadership Academy, ATTN: Dr. David Mack, Dean's Office, College of Business Administration, Box 19377, Arlington, Texas 76019-0377.**

On a separate sheet of paper or letterhead, please type your response to the following:

1) In what ways has the candidate demonstrated his or her leadership ability?

Please be as specific as you can in describing your experiences with the candidate that demonstrate her or his leadership ability. Avoid simply listing the offices or titles, which the candidate has held, or the awards won. We want to know specifically what the candidate has done, either when holding those offices and titles, or to receive such awards.

2) Please comment on the candidate's personal qualities that enable her or him to serve well in a leadership capacity. For example, does the candidate relate well to a diverse group of individuals or display an unusual degree of perceptiveness regarding working with others or in understanding important issues?

3) Do you believe the candidate can handle the demands of the Leadership Academy?

This program requires a certain amount of extra work from its participants. Beyond the normal requirements for graduation from UTA, students admitted to the Goolsby Leadership Academy must take leadership development courses, participate in special events and maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average in the demanding UTA academic program. In your opinion, is the candidate you recommend capable of completing such a program?

4) Is there any additional information about the candidate that you believe will help the Selection Committee?

Please Print

Recommended by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

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Signature

Date



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