SUCCESS AT HAND

INReach
MAVERICK MENTOR PROGRAM

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON
A Firm Grasp on the Future

Submitting your UT Arlington application and reading your acceptance letter. Walking onto campus for the first time. Meeting your new roommates, attending your first lecture, handing in your first paper. Your first year of college is full of defining moments — decisions and actions that start to shape the person you’ll be when you graduate and step confidently into your future. This is another one of those moments: deciding to take part in the In Reach Maverick Mentor Program.

The fact is that the road to graduation is never an easy one, particularly for first-generation college students. Nearly one in six freshmen at American four-year institutions are first generation. Thirty-six percent of those freshmen are minority students. Of that entire group of students, only 40 percent will earn their degrees. With a solid support system, however, the outlook for these students can improve dramatically. In Reach is a program that makes sure you never waver on your path to success. Your goals, dreams, and so much more — all within easy reach.

Focused Support

In Reach encourages academic excellence, enhances self-awareness, and promotes the personal growth of participating students by providing caring guidance from qualified faculty and staff, tools and opportunities to develop academically, and awareness of the University’s student support services and resources.

The time you commit will be minimal, but focused and enriching. Together, we can be sure that when a student reaches out, a hand is there to provide steady support.

For the Mentee

If you are a first-generation college student (meaning that your parents have not completed a four-year college degree), we hope you will apply to participate in this exciting new program. You will attend mentor meetings once per month and sponsored In Reach activities throughout the academic year. You should also maintain regular communication with your mentor. Submit your application online at uta.edu/diversity.

For the Mentor

If you are a faculty or staff member in a position to offer support to a first-year student, please apply today! All we require is a monthly 30 minute meeting with your mentee, regular communication with your mentee throughout the academic year, and attendance at sponsored activities for the In Reach program. Submit your application online at uta.edu/diversity.

Questions

Contact Zeb Strong, Jr. at mentoring@uta.edu

A wide gap exists in the graduation rates between four-year students whose parents earned degrees (69%) and first-generation college students (40%).

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