Thanks to a gift from BNSF, the Goolsby Leadership Academy created the BNSF Early Leader Program (ELP) for freshmen and sophomores.

The BNSF Early Leader Program is a three semester program that accepts business-intended freshmen and sophomores.

The Academy is dedicated to strengthening leadership ability.

**Benefits**

- $500 Scholarship each semester
- Understand your unique talents and strengths
- Develop leadership skills
- Interact with a diverse group of fellow business students
- Connect with upper class Goolsby Scholars
- Interview for the Goolsby Leadership Academy

For more information: [www.uta.edu/goolsby/early](http://www.uta.edu/goolsby/early)

Apply: MAV ScholarShop

Email Questions: goolsbyacademy@uta.edu
Application Timeline

Freshmen: October to January before Spring Semester
Sophomores: May to August prior to Sophomore Fall
Transfer Students: Prior to each semester

Admission Criteria

- 2nd semester freshman or sophomore
- Business-intended student or business major
- Full-time enrollment
- Apply through MAV ScholarShop and complete the required essay
- 3.1 GPA overall/transfer

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Program Format

Spring of Freshman year:
- Enroll in Early Leader Program ECON 2306 (Spring)
- Attend scheduled meetings weekdays or nights (Guest speaker and team building activities)

Fall of Sophomore year:
- Enroll in LSHP 2302 (Leadership and Communication)

Spring of Sophomore year:
- Enroll in BCOM 3360* (Business Communication)
- Complete a community engagement event (Spring)
  * Fast Track Accounting students will not take BCOM 3360

Continued Enrollment

- Meet all BNSF Early Leader requirements
- Business-intended student or business major
- Maintain full-time enrollment
- Maintain a 3.1 GPA