

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS  
AT DALLAS



NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

CREATING THE FUTURE



## WELCOME TO UTD

Welcome to The University of Texas at Dallas, a dynamic research institution on the cutting edge of science, technology, medicine, business, policy sciences and the arts. UTD provides a unique learning environment. It is host to seven schools, offers an array of interdisciplinary degree programs, and features a student population as diverse as its areas of study.

UTD fosters a strong tradition of academic excellence. With a current enrollment of more than 14,000 students and a world-class faculty that includes two Nobel laureates, UTD aims to provide Texas and the nation with the benefits of educational and research programs of the highest quality. By merging theory with practice in classrooms and at the university's 29 research centers, we challenge curious minds to find the answers to their questions. Unique apartment-style housing on campus is available to all students, including freshmen. In short, UTD provides a quality education and a wealth of opportunities to anyone striving to reach their potential.

## ATTRIBUTES OF EXCELLENCE

Excellence can be defined in many ways. At UTD, we are defined by unwavering excellence in four key areas:

- Our students are bright. There's no simpler way to put it. The average SAT score for incoming freshmen is the highest of any public university in the state. 40% of those students are in the top 10% of their high school class, and 74% are in the top quarter.
- Our faculty is distinguished. We are privileged to have two Nobel laureates and several members of the National Academies on our faculty—only three other universities in Texas can make that claim.
- Our programs are innovative. As a young and dynamic institution, we are always creating exciting, interdisciplinary programs that integrate traditional studies with the latest fields in science and technology. Our graduate programs are also nationally recognized.
- We couldn't be in a better place. The State of Texas has the largest number of Fortune 500 companies in the nation and Dallas is ranked as the second strongest metropolitan area for corporate headquarters.

**ANDREW WANG**  
Plano West Senior  
High - Plano, TX  
National Merit  
Finalist  
Major: Psychology  
National Merit  
Scholarship



**"I selected UTD because I wanted to attend a university that was on the rise, fresh, changing. After attending classes I found the professors friendly, easy to work with and fun."**

## APPLICATION MATERIALS

- Texas Common Application  
[www.applytexas.org](http://www.applytexas.org)
- Essay Choice "C"
- Official transcript sent by high school counselor
- Official SAT I or ACT test scores
- \$50.00 application fee
- Official THEA scores (unless exempt)
- International students must submit TOEFL score and financial affidavit

Admission decisions are made on a rolling basis. You should receive notification 4-6 weeks after your completed application is received.



## **KYLE MILLER**

**J. D. Darnall Senior High - Atkinson, IL**

**National Merit Finalist**

**Major: Biology - PreMed**

**National Merit Scholarship**

**"I chose UTD over other schools because it would allow me to balance my studies and extracurricular activities. At first I thought that UTD being a smaller school would hinder me, but I now realize that it provides me with better access to faculty and research opportunities."**

## **NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP**

- Covers all costs of tuition and mandatory fees
- \$1,000 per year contribution toward student housing at the Waterview Park Apartments
- \$2,500 cash award per semester toward the cost of books, supplies, and other educational expenses
- Scholarship is good for four years or eight semesters
- Must list UTD as first choice college with NMSC
- Must be admitted to UTD

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) recognizes The University of Texas at Dallas as a collegiate sponsor.

## **ANSON L. CLARK RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP**

Clark scholars work one-on-one with members of UTD's faculty on collaborations that accelerate student progress toward advanced graduate and professional study. National Merit Scholars may apply for one of 20 Anson L. Clark scholarships awarded annually. These scholarships supplement the National Merit Scholarship with a paid summer research assistantship.

## **COLLEGIUM V HONORS PROGRAM**

Incoming freshmen to The University of Texas at Dallas with an SAT score of at least 1350 from critical reading and math scores or ACT composite score of 30 and a high school grade point average of 3.6 are encouraged to apply to Collegium V. Students must be accepted to UTD before their applications will be considered. For more information, call 972-883-4297 or **visit <http://cv.utdallas.edu>**.

# TIMELINE FOR RECEIVING UTD'S NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

**October** of your junior year, take the PSAT/National Merit Scholar Qualifying Test.

In order to advance and be named a finalist, you must take the SAT between your junior and senior years.

In **April** of your junior year, the National Merit Scholarship Corporation announces the high scores on the PSAT who meet the eligibility requirements to advance in the National Merit Scholarship Competition.

In early **September** of your senior year, semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Competition are announced by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Starting **September 1** of your senior year, you should apply to UTD and make plans to attend our M.A.S.T.E.R.S. Program (Merit Achievement Symposium to Enrich Remarkable Students). Register at [www.utdallas.edu/WhyUTD/merit/](http://www.utdallas.edu/WhyUTD/merit/)

**February** of your senior year, semifinalists who meet academic and other requirements will be notified that they have advanced to finalist standing.

To receive UTD's National Merit Scholarship, you must declare UTD as your first choice with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation by **May 1** of your senior year and have applied and gained admission to UTD.

## SHEEJA THOMAS

Plano East Senior High - Plano, TX

National Merit Finalist

Major: Biochemistry

National Merit Scholarship

"I was worried about foregoing the opportunity to have a new experience outside of the state, but after seeing the small class sizes and opportunities for close interaction with professors and the National Merit Scholarship offer, I chose UTD!"





## THE EUGENE McDERMOTT SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The McDermott Award covers all expenses of a superb four-year academic education at UTD, in concert with a diverse array of intensive extracurricular experiences, including internships, travel and cultural enrichment.

The four-year award covers year-round expenses for each scholar's:

- university tuition and fees
- travel home and back twice per year for scholars whose parents live outside the DFW metroplex but within the United States, and travel home and back once per year for scholars whose parents live outside the United States

In addition, each McDermott Scholar receives a monthly stipend of \$1100 to cover on-campus apartment housing, utilities, other living expenses and spending money. Scholars also receive a book stipend.

The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program also supports:

- state-wide and national travel associated with curricular activities
- study abroad

For more information, visit

[www.utdallas.edu/mcdermott/](http://www.utdallas.edu/mcdermott/)



### FELICITY LENES

Wando HS - Mount Pleasant, SC

National Merit Finalist

Major: Molecular Biology

McDermott Scholar

**"UTD offers extraordinary opportunities to make a difference, work in a lab, and experience big city life. We, as undergrads, can work in the Nanotech Institute and get fabulous internships. We can shape student life and activities while affecting the campus in huge ways."**

# ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

## ARTS AND HUMANITIES

972-883-2980 • [ah.utdallas.edu](http://ah.utdallas.edu)

Arts and Humanities, BA  
Arts and Performance, BA  
Historical Studies, BA  
Literary Studies, BA  
Arts and Technology, BA, MA, MFA  
History, MA  
Humanities, MA, MAT, PhD  
Aesthetic Studies, MA, MAT, Ph.D.  
History of Ideas, MA, MAT, Ph.D.  
Studies in Literature, MA, MAT, Ph.D.

## BEHAVIORAL AND BRAIN SCIENCES

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Applied Cognition and Neuroscience, MS  
Audiology, AUD  
Child Learning and Development, BS  
Cognition and Neuroscience, Ph.D.  
Cognitive Science, BS  
Communication Disorders, MS  
Communication Sciences and Disorders, Ph.D.  
Human Development & Early Childhood Disorders, MS  
Neuroscience, BS  
Psychological Sciences, MS, Ph.D.  
Psychology, BA  
Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, BS

## ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND POLICY SCIENCES

972-883-2920 • [www.utdallas.edu/epps](http://www.utdallas.edu/epps)

Criminology, BA  
Economics and Finance, BA, BS, MS  
Geography, BA  
Geospatial Information Sciences, MS  
Geospatial Information Sciences, Ph.D.  
Political Science, BA  
Master of Public Affairs, MPA  
Public Affairs, BS, Ph.D.  
Public Policy and Political Economy, Ph.D.  
Political Science, Ph.D.  
Sociology, Ph.D.

## ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

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Computer Engineering, BS, MS, Ph.D.  
Computer Science, BS, MSCS, Ph.D.  
Computer Science - Software Engineering, MSCS  
Electrical Engineering, BSEE, MSEE, Ph.D.

- Microelectronics, MSEE, Ph.D.
- Telecommunications, MSEE

Materials Science and Engineering, MS, Ph.D.  
Software Engineering, BS, Ph.D.  
Telecommunications Engineering, BSTE, MSTE, Ph.D.

## GENERAL STUDIES

972-883-2323 • [www.utdallas.edu/dept/gs/](http://www.utdallas.edu/dept/gs/)

American Studies, BA  
Gender Studies, BA  
Interdisciplinary Studies, BA, BS, MA  
Teacher Certification

## MANAGEMENT

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Accounting and Information Management, BS, MS  
Business Administration, BS  
Information Technology Management, MS  
International Management Studies, MA, Ph.D.  
Finance, BS  
Management and Administrative Sciences, MS  
Management Sciences, Ph.D.  
Master of Business Administration, MBA

- Cohort, Executive, Global Leadership Executive, Global Online, Medical Management, Project Management

Medical Management, MS

## NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

972-883-2853 • [www.utdallas.edu/nsm](http://www.utdallas.edu/nsm)

Applied Physics, MS  
Biochemistry, BS  
Bioinformatics and Computational Biology, MS  
Biology, BA, BS  
Biology - Molecular and Cell Biology, MS, Ph.D.  
Biotechnology, MS  
Chemistry, BA, BS, MS, Ph.D.  
Geosciences, BA, BS, MS, Ph.D.  
Mathematical Sciences, BS, MS

- Applied Mathematics, BS, MS, Ph.D.
- Engineering Mathematics, MS
- Statistics, BS, MS, Ph.D.

Mathematics Education, MAT  
Molecular Biology, BS  
Physics, BA, BS, MS, Ph.D.  
Science Education, MAT

For more scholarship information contact:

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