

# THE EUGENE McDERMOTT SCHOLARS PROGRAM

*at The University of Texas at Dallas*



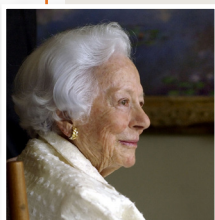
## MORE THAN A MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program (EMSP) brings some of the world's best and brightest young minds to The University of Texas at Dallas. With a focus on excellence in scholarship, leadership, service and character, McDermott Scholars blend classroom, community, cultural and pre-professional activities into an individualized college experience.

With more than 23,000 undergraduate, graduate and doctoral students, UT Dallas provides students the opportunity to work with distinguished faculty on nationally recognized research and to pursue degrees in over 130 programs on our strategically located and welcoming campus in Richardson, Texas. As a selective university, the UT Dallas class of 2014, including 104 National Merit Scholars, achieved an average 1256 SAT score, among the highest for Texas public universities.

Up to 25 McDermott Scholars are selected annually on the basis of their academic and extracurricular achievements. They receive: tuition and fees, book stipends, \$1,400 monthly stipends year round, up to \$12,000 for study abroad, up to \$3,000 for career-oriented support, cohort trips, and a network of professional staff, faculty, alumni, and cohort.

### About the Program



Established by **Margaret McDermott** to honor her husband, Eugene, a founder of Texas Instruments and The University of Texas at Dallas, the program centers on student excellence in intellectual achievement, leadership, service and character.

### PUBLIC SERVICE

Scholars commit to public service throughout their time in the program, serving in organizations that best fit their interests.

### EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Internship and research experiences prepare scholars for the future and allow them to interact regularly with a diverse array of leaders who provide insight into current economic, political, social and cultural issues.

### TRAVEL AND STUDY ABROAD

All McDermott Scholars participate in cohort trips and an individual travel study experience. Recent cohort trips have included Santa Fe, NM; Austin, TX; and Washington, D.C.

### ENGAGEMENT WITH THE ARTS

The EMSP incorporates an ongoing involvement with the rich cultural environment of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex as well as cultural centers around the nation. McDermott Scholars attend a variety of music, dance and theatrical performances and experience the vibrant cultural panoply that is Dallas-Fort Worth.

### SYSTEM OF SUPPORT

Full time staff are available to meet with Scholars on an individual basis to help guide their academic, extracurricular, and professional pursuits. The EMSP community of staff, faculty, alumni, and Scholars becomes a new place to find encouragement.

*For more information and to apply:*

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## Qualifications

*Candidates who have the best prospect of being invited to Finalists' Weekend:*

- Will be first-time college freshmen.
- Score a minimum of 1450 on the two-part SAT (verbal and math) or 33 on the ACT.
- Are in the top five percent of their graduating class.
- Demonstrate history of service and leadership in the school and/or community.
- Show a range of interests spanning academic disciplines.
- Possess social skills that enable them to interact with both peers and adults.

In addition to being at the top of their graduating class, the 2015 McDermott Scholars scored an average of 1540 on their SAT/ACT equivalent. Its members are campus leaders, community volunteers, athletes, artists and musicians.

## Selection Timeline

### November 5, 2015

Early deadline for student application and three recommendations—for early consideration and notification of continued status.

### January 5, 2016

Regular deadline for application and three recommendations.

### January 29, 2016

Notification regarding finalist status.

### March 4-6, 2016

Finalists' Weekend (required for the award—see website).

### After May 1, 2016

The 2016 Class of McDermott Scholars is announced.



## McDERMOTT SCHOLARS HAVE:

Come from all over the world, including

**32** states and **6** countries.

Studied abroad in

**64**

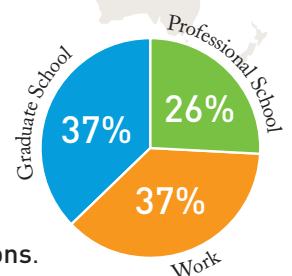
different countries, on six continents.

Gone on to *graduate* and *professional programs*

including: Cambridge, Dartmouth, Duke, Emory, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, London School of Economics, MIT, Princeton, Rice, Sciences Po, the Sorbonne, Stanford, UC Berkeley, University of Chicago, University of Virginia, Washington University in St. Louis and Yale.

Earned *positions* at companies

including: 3M, Boston Consulting Group, Capital One, Cleveland Clinic, D.C. Court of Appeals, Deloitte, IBM, J.P. Morgan, McKinsey & Company, Microsoft, NASA, Peace Corps, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Sandia National Laboratories, Teach for America, Texas Instruments, The White House and United Nations.



## TO APPLY:

1. Complete all sections of the McDermott Scholars Program application at [utdallas.edu/mcdermott](http://utdallas.edu/mcdermott).
2. Mail an **official high school transcript** to the McDermott Scholars Office if your counselor is unable to upload one with their recommendation.
3. Complete the **undergraduate application** to The University of Texas at Dallas.

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