Leadership for the 21st Century



The
Eugene McDermott
Scholars Program

The University of Texas at Dallas

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The Vision of Eugene McDermott



Forty years ago, Eugene McDermott, Erik Jonsson and Cecil Green, co-founders of Texas Instruments, envisioned a new research and teaching institution for the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex to attract and retain the world's best minds to this area, to foster the scientific and technological advances they knew would drive the economy of the future.

The University of Texas at Dallas is that institution. During the past thirty years UTD has played a vital role in the research and the training of highly skilled professionals and helped transform North Texas into one of the major high-tech centers of the world.

Eugene McDermott believed that the best human talent, provided with the best education and enriched with an understanding of the arts, was the essential foundation of business success and societal progress.

To these ends, the McDermott family has generously supported a wide array of educational projects and has helped develop the rich cultural environment of the Metroplex.

The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program

The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program has been established by Mrs. Eugene McDermott in support of her husband's dream of a great university for the Metroplex and his conviction about the vital importance of highly educated minds. To these ends, the Program will recruit to UTD the world's best students and provide them with an unsurpassed education in science, technology and culture.

McDermott Scholars, along with hundreds of UTD's other highly talented merit-scholarship holders, will study in the classroom and the laboratory with faculty who are leaders in their fields. Through the Collegium V Honors Program, McDermott Scholars will participate in specially designed small classes that explore the arts, performance, humanities, history and political science under the guidance of senior faculty. Finally, in the spirit of UTD's Anson L. Clark Undergraduate Research Program, McDermott Scholars will have opportunities for individual study and research with faculty mentors.

The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program is distinguished from UTD's other merit scholarship programs by its intensive and varied extra-curricular dimensions that provide opportunities for personal growth through direct participation in civic, business and cultural activities, travel in the US and abroad, and training that fully develops ethical leadership. While many components of The McDermott Scholars Program are tailored to individual student needs, several core experiences are shared by all Scholars.

Orientation

Before beginning their first Fall semester, McDermott Scholars will participate in an offcampus, two-week orientation program that will provide them with an intensive preview of their coming learning experiences, an understanding of their commitment to the Program, and recreational and cultural activities that foster group cooperation and leadership skills.

Public Service

McDermott Scholars will make an extended commitment to public service, with an emphasis on education. They will work with parents, children and schools to increase access and participation in education and with social agencies engaged in direct client services.

Business and Civic Experience

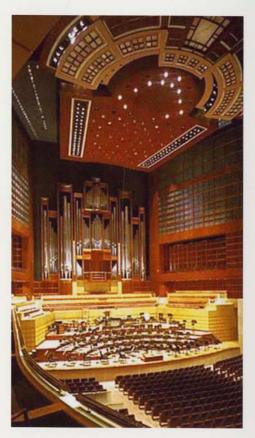
During their business and civic experiences, Scholars will work with corporate and community leaders to gain sophisticated insights into economic and political systems. Scholars will have the opportunity to see the world at work while being mentored by business, civic and political leaders.

Travel & Study Abroad

Travel opportunities for Scholars extend across their academic careers, in some cases group travel associated with either curricular or extracurricular enrichment, and in other instances individual travel. All Scholars will have an international travel experience at some point during their program, with a focus on understanding our culture within the larger context of the global society.

Engagement with the Arts

The McDermott Scholars Program will incorporate an intensive, ongoing involvement in the rich cultural environment of the Metroplex as well as centers of culture world-wide.



Above: The McDermott Concert Hall in the Meyerson Symphony Center. At Right: The Dallas Museum of Art and The Meyerson Symphony Center.





The McDermott Scholarship

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

The McDermott Scholarship covers all of each Scholar's university tuition, fees and assigned books for eight semesters of study, as well as 48 months of support for lodging and food. In addition, each McDermott Scholar receives a monthly stipend of \$450 and reimbursement of travel expenses between home and UTD.

The McDermott Scholars Selection Committee, chaired by the Provost of the University of Texas at Dallas, consists of members of the McDermott Scholars Program Advisory Committee and faculty from the University of Texas at Dallas.

Prospective McDermott Scholars will be nominated from their secondary schools by Local Nominating Committees consisting of school principals or headmasters, guidance counselors, and Advanced Placement teachers, as well as members of groups actively involved with the school. The Local Nominating Committees carefully review their rising senior classes and nominate to UTD two students whose academic records are highly superior and whose involvement in extra-curricular activities gives strong evidence of leadership potential.







UTD at night

Leadership, High Ethics and Academic Excellence: The Hallmarks of the McDermott Scholar

McDermott Scholars are selected on their promise of being leaders for Dallas, the US, and the world community during the 21st Century. This promise will have been demonstrated by records of high intellectual achievements, along with evidence of leadership skills, high ethics and a commitment to full participation in the Program, with all of its privileges and responsibilities.

The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program provides these select students, cost free, with UTD's traditional, rigorous and personalized, classroom and laboratory education, along with a four-year program of intensive, widely diverse extra-curricular activities designed to equip them with the experience and confidence to succeed as leaders in all important dimensions of society.

Eugene McDermott and UTD -A Brief History-

Eugene McDermott, Erik Jonsson and Cecil Green established Texas Instruments as one of the world's leading technology companies. They were inspired with the vision of creating an internationally distinguished university, rooted in science and technology, for the Dallas Metroplex. In the early 1960's, these philanthropists created a privately financed research institute on a site at the convergence of the cities of Dallas, Richardson and Plano, and in 1970 donated the land, buildings and programs of this Center to the State of Texas to establish The University of Texas at Dallas. Now, thirty years later, UTD is growing in size and is one of Texas's three most selective public universities. It provides the education and research vital to the competitive success of the burgeoning hightechnology businesses crucial to the Metroplex, Texas and world economies. In support of Eugene McDermott's vision, The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program at The University of Texas at Dallas has been created by an endowment of \$32,000,000 in dedicated gifts to UTD from Mrs. Mc-Dermott.

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