

# Office of the Dean of Students

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The [Office of the Dean of Students](#) is committed to helping all students at The University of Texas at Austin succeed as students and prepare for graduation by providing legal, emergency, veteran, and other support services along with leadership experience and personal growth opportunities through organizations and programming.

## Legal Services for Students

Legal Services for Students provides free legal counsel and guidance to students in a comfortable and confidential setting. When a student's situation requires further representation, our team will provide referrals to other legal resources and information. Legal Services for Students also offers seminars, workshops, and presentations to student groups and classes to educate students about legal issues before conflicts arise.

## Living the Longhorn Life

Living the Longhorn Life provides inclusive, innovative, and sustainable programming that is free to the UT Austin student body in an effort to build campus morale, bridge peer to peer relationships and cultivate individual sense of belonging. They provide social spaces to reduce student stress levels associated with virtual learning and college adjustment issues.

## Sorority and Fraternity Life

Sorority and Fraternity Life strives to shape a values-based sorority and fraternity experience contributing to a positive sisterhood, brotherhood, and siblinghood. As a liaison to the Interfraternity, Latino Pan-Hellenic, Multicultural Greek, National Pan-Hellenic, Texas Asian Pan-Hellenic, and University Panhellenic Councils, as well as affiliated organizations, Sorority and Fraternity Life provides dynamic educational and leadership development opportunities to foster a safe, responsible, and culturally conscious community. Additionally, staff within Sorority and Fraternity Life serve as a programmatic and development resource for risk management, safety, and hazing prevention education for all student organizations.

## Student Activities

Student Activities offers many services to student organizations, providing information, registration, space reservations, training through its workshops, one-on-one consultations, and event planning support. Student Activities manages HornsLink, through which students can find events and activities, connect with student organizations, explore opportunities based upon interests, build a leadership resume, and manage organization affairs.

## Student Conduct and Academic Integrity

Student Conduct and Academic Integrity provides oversight, intervention, and management for behavioral and academic misconduct for students and student organizations with a goal of reinforcing UT Austin's core values of Learning, Discovery, Freedom, Leadership, Individual Opportunity, and Responsibility. Student Conduct and Academic Integrity staff administer the University Code of Conduct and provide proactive educational programming for students, faculty and staff on community expectations related to behavior and academic integrity with an emphasis on prevention of policy violations. Student Conduct and Academic Integrity staff offer support and resources on navigating the conduct process, responding to behavior(s) that may rise to a policy

violation, and consulting with community members on methods for resolving situations that constitute a policy violation.

## Student Emergency Services

Through individualized consultation, Student Emergency Services in the Office of the Dean of Students provides assistance, intervention, and referrals to support students navigating challenging or unexpected issues that impact their wellbeing and academic success. Student Emergency Services provides support and resources through the following programs: Student Emergency Fund, UT Outpost (food pantry and career closet), and confidential advocates for interpersonal violence concerns. Student Emergency Services also provides oversight for the Behavioral Concerns Advice Line (BCAL), in partnership with the Counseling and Mental Health Center, Healthpoint-Employee Assistance Program, and the UT Police Department. BCAL is a resource to report behavioral concerns of an individual affiliated with the University (i.e. student, faculty, staff, or visitors).

## Student Governance Organizations

The University seeks to enrich students' educational experiences and opportunities for productive communication between the student body and the University by sponsoring Student Governance Organizations.

[The Student Government](#), [Graduate Student Assembly](#), and [Senate of College Councils](#) are student-led Student Governance Organizations.

Although each organization has a specialized mission and purpose, they all serve as voices for students on campus to enhance the student experience.

## Texas Leadership Education and Development

Texas Leadership Education and Development in the Office of the Dean of Students engages students in transformative leadership development opportunities. Texas Leadership Education and Development serves all students, regardless of a person's major, class standing, experience, or background. Through dynamic programs, resources and experiences, every student has the opportunity to realize their potential as a leader on campus, in the community, and over the course of their career.

## Veteran and Military Affiliated Services

Veteran and Military Affiliated Services serves the military, veterans, and their families at The University of Texas at Austin. The area's professional staff provides advising, benefits support, and tailored programs for current student veterans, active-duty military, veterans, and the dependents of veterans. Current University student veterans have access to free tutoring services, academic support, one-on-one mentoring, career counseling, on-site mental health counseling, health resources, programs for women veterans, veteran specific scholarships, veteran benefits counseling, financial assistance, and a student organization that promotes a vibrant student veteran community on campus. The area's programs and services are carefully tailored by a veteran staff to serve fellow veterans and military affiliated students.

## The Election Supervisory Board

The Election Supervisory Board (ESB) is tasked with conducting and overseeing all campus-wide student elections. The entities that defer to the ESB for election processes are: Graduate Student Assembly, Student Government, Texas Student Media, University Co-op, and University Unions. It is the exclusive prerogative of the ESB to hear complaints, conduct hearings, and release resolutions and advisory opinions regarding election activities. These and all other powers granted to the ESB fall strictly within the purview of the Campus Wide Election Code, which is adopted by each aforementioned entity, revised annually, and

approved by the Office of the Dean of Students. For more information, visit [UTexasVote.org](http://UTexasVote.org).