



Davidson Management HONORS PROGRAM

Naveen Jindal School of Management
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

**Academic Year in Review
2017-18**

Mission Statement:

The Davidson Management Honors Program is committed to graduating well-rounded citizens and community leaders who constantly pursue personal and intellectual growth.

DMHP Learning Outcomes:

- 1 Students will recognize, analyze and communicate business issues and trends on a domestic and global level through enriched coursework, group collaboration and close interaction with faculty.
- 2 Students will expand their leadership attributes.
- 3 Students will engage in action for positive change in the community serving as ambassadors for UT Dallas.
- 4 Students will assess the intrinsic value of career opportunities based on factors that contribute to long-term career well being.

Director's Message

The Charles and Nancy Davidson Management Honors Program (DMHP) Annual Report provides an excellent opportunity to reflect upon the state of DMHP with an eye toward the future of the Program. The 2017 – 2018 academic year was another rewarding year full of opportunities to work with exceptional students, talented staff, and dedicated faculty. DMHP continues to challenge students academically, professionally, socially, and personally. The Program is designed to help students develop the tools they need to become successful professionals and leaders in their communities. Students are provided with opportunities to volunteer in the community, develop professionally outside of the classroom, challenge themselves intellectually, travel with classmates, and interact socially. DMHP students are held to high standards, and much is expected of them. It is always impressive to see students exceeding our expectations and achieving more than we thought possible inside and outside of the classroom.

During the most recent academic year, 25 of our sophomore students were part of the Program's seventh annual spring break trip to Washington, D.C. and New York, and a group of 27 students from all cohorts traveled to Croatia during the Program's fourth annual international trip. These opportunities along with DMHP's offerings of scholarships, professional development, community service, and social events continue to provide students with the ability to excel in all that they do.

In the coming year, I look forward to working with the DMHP staff to continue finding new and innovative ways to offer meaningful growth opportunities for the Program's students. The 2018 – 2019 year should be another exciting and successful year for the Program, just as 2017 – 2018 was.

Matt Polze, JD
Associate Dean, Davidson Management Honors Program



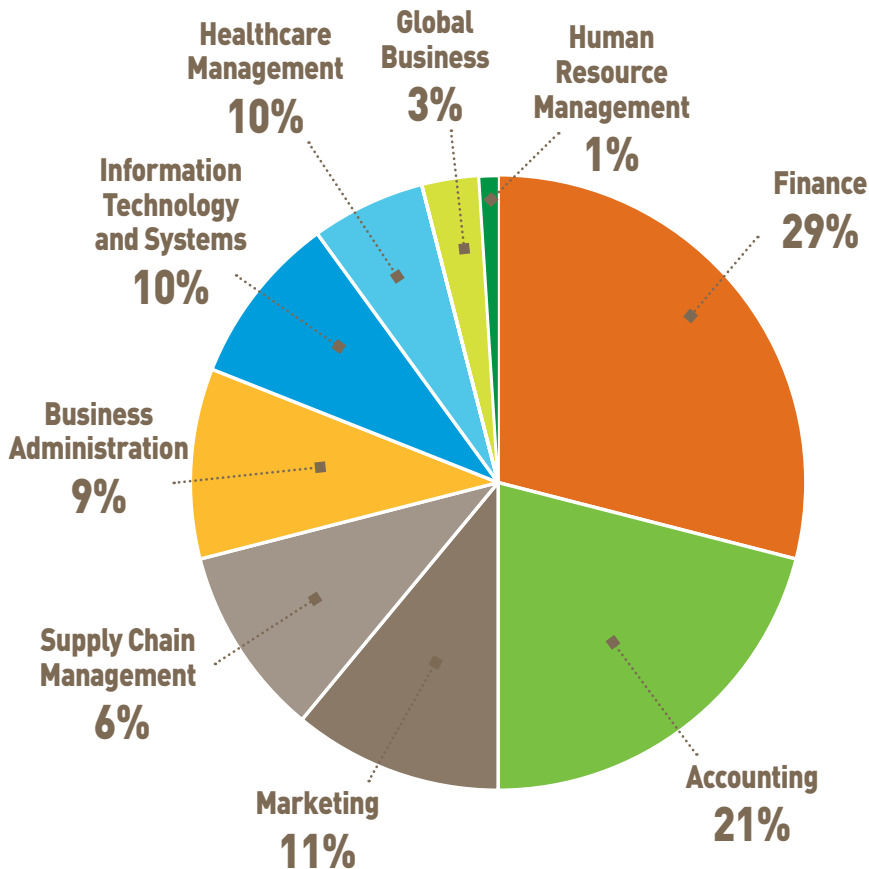
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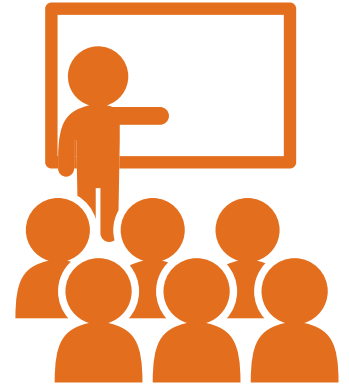
Student Profile

Davidson Management Honors Program students come from across the country and around the world. These students are scholars, campus leaders, volunteers, athletes, performers and more.

- 196 total students
- 2017-18 freshmen class:
 - 48 students
 - Average SAT: 1438
 - Basketball, hockey, soccer, swimming and volleyball team captains
 - National Honors Society presidents and state directors
 - DECA and Future Business Leaders of America officers and members
 - Martial arts instructors
 - An Eagle Scout
 - Community volunteers and leaders
 - Yearbook editors and student government officers
 - Marching band, choir, orchestra and theater members and officers
 - A NASA High School Air and Space Scholar
 - Participants in Stanford University, Washington University and Brown University summer institutes
- Primary majors of DMHP students:



DMHP faculty taught eight honors classes in 2017-18 for a total of **24** credit hours.



“I was so excited when I found out I was accepted into the DMHP program a year ago, but I never imagined it being the life-changing and formidable experience it has been. Being a transfer into the program, I was worried that I may not fit in, but in my first year, I have been able to grow personally and professionally. I have learned from business professionals, and traveled and experienced unique cultures. I have participated in team building activities at our advisory council meetings and explored the beautiful sites of Croatia. I have found that DMHP has truly made me love my time at UT Dallas and I can't wait to see what the next two years have in store!”

Amir Meshki
Finance, Class of 2020

DMHP University Dean's List Students



Scholarships

- DMHP awarded a total of \$37,500 in competitive academic scholarships to sophomores, juniors and seniors. DMHP also awarded a total of \$39,800 to students for the Global Experience Scholarship. The GES was created to encourage students to spend a semester abroad or take part in faculty-led international study trips. Fifteen of these scholarships were awarded, assisting students traveling to and studying in France, Finland, Germany, New Zealand, Poland, India, Switzerland, Egypt, Greece and Spain.
- DMHP started a funding initiative in 2016 to support outside learning opportunities, such as business competitions and conferences. Four DMHP Active Learning Grants totaling \$3,060 were awarded in 2017-18.

Student Programming

DMHP students participate in many on- and off-campus opportunities that help them build a well-rounded college experience. Special programming coordinated by DMHP staff provides opportunities for students from all graduating classes to form strong, lasting relationships with one another and build community through professional development, volunteering and social events.

Professional Development

A significant component of DMHP is fostering students' professional and career development so they are competitive candidates for internships, full-time jobs and graduate schools.

In 2017-18, DMHP students attended or took part in:

- Exclusive professional panels, networking presentations and guest speaker lectures
- Two mock interview days, where they practiced their interviewing skills with prospective employers
- Company site visits to Southwest Airlines, Capital One and GEICO
- "Breakfast with a Pro" and "An Afternoon with..." speaker series
- A professional dining etiquette lunch
- Résumé and interview workshops
- A Jindal School alumni mentor program and young alumni panel
- Continuing company collaborations with Deloitte, Dr Pepper Snapple Group, Allstate, Bain & Company, McKinsey & Company, AT&T and Prudential Capital Group



Rising senior and finance major Nikita Srivastava was a recipient of the Global Experience Scholarship in Spring 2018 for her study abroad in Grenoble, France.



DMHP students visited the Dallas headquarters of Southwest Airlines in September 2017. Students toured the facilities, heard from Southwest Airlines employees and learned about its internship and full-time programs.

Community Service

DMHP students gave back to the community throughout the year by volunteering with organizations, including the Richardson Animal Shelter, Goodwill Dallas, Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Dallas and Groundwork Dallas. DMHP students volunteered a total of 871 hours over two semesters at DMHP-coordinated service events.

This past spring semester, DMHP students volunteered at the North Texas Food Bank, which provides access to more than 190,000 meals daily for more than 1,000 programs and 200 partner agencies in its 13-county service areas. The 21 DMHP students who volunteered at this event helped sort enough food to provide more than 7,000 meals.



The North Texas Food Bank is one of my favorite volunteer opportunities. The atmosphere is so positive and welcoming, and although we do not see the people who receive the food, the scale of the operation gives an idea of the impact it makes. I have volunteered at the NTFB with DMHP every opportunity I've had, and look forward to continuing to do so into the future.

Jason Cohn

Supply Chain Management, Class of 2019

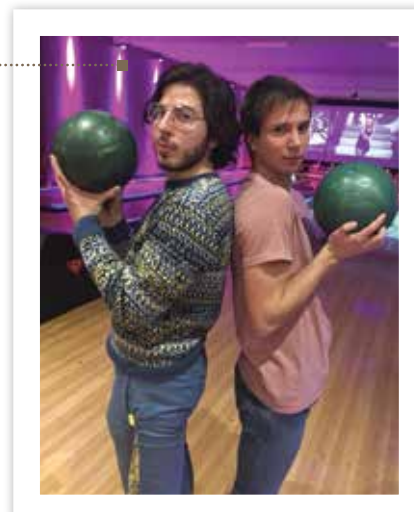
Social

DMHP students may participate in social events throughout the academic year, including group outings to Whirlyball, bowling and on-campus pizza socials. These events allow DMHP students to connect outside the classroom, meet students in other cohorts and build friendships.

Spring Break Study Trip

During Spring Break 2018, 25 honors program sophomores traveled to Washington, D.C., and New York City. In Washington, D.C., students visited the U.S. Capitol, U.S. Supreme Court, Smithsonian, Library of Congress and the U.S. Holocaust Museum. In New York City, the group visits included the Empire State Building, United Nations, National September 11 Memorial and Museum and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. They also met with employers and Naveen Jindal School of Management alumni.

The students also visited the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. On the floor, they experienced the energy of Wall Street as they followed traders through their morning.



Walking through D.C was like traveling back in time to experience the struggles and triumphs of our country, and walking through New York City felt exactly how every movie and book portrayed the city, unique and full of life. But, my most cherished part of the trip was building a community with my fellow DMHPers. Through the laughter and exhaustion, we all got to know one another outside the classroom setting. We'll always remember every place we went to by the memories we made in those places.

Frances Dagohoy

Accounting, Class of 2020



“Getting the opportunity to explore Croatia with DMHP and a group of individuals who strive to make a global impact was nothing short of a transformative experience for me. The trip broadened my global perspective. I gained insights about how businesses operate in other countries, learned about Croatian culture and made everlasting friendships.”

Sharvari Gupta

Accounting and Finance, Class of 2021

International Study Trip

At the end of the spring 2018 semester, 27 honors program students (ranging from rising sophomores to graduated seniors), traveled to Zagreb, and Dubrovnik, Croatia to witness commerce and culture in these two great, international cities. While learning history, they also met and networked with businesses in Croatia – learning about opportunities to work abroad and the overall industries of Eastern Europe.

Student cultural visits included Plitvice National Park, Korcula Island, a Game of Thrones walking tour and a Dubrovnik city tour. Students also experienced several industries in Croatia, with visits to US Commercial Services, Enikon Aerospace, Ericsson Nikola Tesla, and Bruketa & Zinic & Grey.

Graduation 2018

A goal of the Davidson Management Honors Program is to prepare students to be top candidates for jobs and graduate school. Forty-one members of the 2017-18 graduating class either enrolled in graduate school or joined companies that include:

- Bain & Company
- Bank of America
- Capgemini
- Deloitte
- General Motors
- Media iQ Digital
- Optum
- PwC
- Simple Media, LLC
- Texas Instruments

Graduate Profile

Scott Lloyd graduated in May 2018 from UT Dallas and DMHP with a degree in finance. During his time at UT Dallas, Lloyd held many DMHP leadership positions including serving as a peer mentor, new member retreat leader and a member of DMHP's Advisory Council. He took part in four DMHP trips to New York, Washington, D.C., Prague, Budapest, Hong Kong, and Croatia. Lloyd interned with Freescale Semiconductor, Valesco Industries and Bain & Company while in college. In his senior year, Lloyd received the Jindal School's outstanding undergraduate finance student award. Scott will join Bain & Company in Dallas as an associate consultant in Fall 2018.



Internships

In the 2017-18 academic year, DMHP students held internships in Dallas, Washington D.C., Charlotte, San Francisco and Houston, and internationally in Athens and Madrid. Companies include:

- AT&T
- Bank of America
- Baylor Scott & White Health
- Ericsson
- EY
- Goldman Sachs
- Hilton Hotels & Resorts
- JPMorgan Chase
- Prudential Capital Group
- Southwest Airlines
- Texas Instruments
- U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
- Wells Fargo

Student Accomplishments

DMHP students were recognized as leaders across campus and in the community. Here is a sample of DMHP student accomplishments in 2017-18:

- Recipient of the UT Dallas Student Leader of the Year Award, honoring the best of student leadership on campus
- Recipient of the Jindal School Undergraduate Student of the Year Award
- Google Policy Fellow for the Internet Education Fund
- Undergraduate president of the Jindal School Dean's Council
- Named to the American Southwest Conference Academic All-Conference list for athletes
- Vice president of marketing and vice president of finance for UT Dallas' DECA chapter
- Legislative affairs committee chair for UT Dallas Student Government
- Commencement speakers for December 2017 and May 2018 graduations

Alumni Affinity Chapter

The DMHP experience does not end at graduation. The DMHP Alumni Affinity chapter brings DMHP alumni together throughout the year for social and networking events, allowing former students to maintain connections with the program, UT Dallas and each other. Alumni are invited to participate in DMHP professional development events, networking opportunities and mentor programs on campus.



The DMHP graduating class of 2018 celebrated accomplishments and shared memories at the annual senior send-off dinner held at Dave & Buster's.



DMHP graduates from 2006 through 2018 attended the summer event of the DMHP Alumni Affinity chapter in June 2018 at Nickel & Rye in Dallas.



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