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TEXAS Extended Campus increases financial commitment to $125,000 per year for professional education scholarship funds

AUSTIN, Texas—TEXAS Extended Campus (TEC) at The University of Texas at Austin will expand its Road to Success scholarship initiative in the program’s second year. The scholarship initiative was originally announced in early 2019, with a commitment of $100,000 per year for specific professional education programs offered by the Center for Professional Education (CPE). For the program’s second year, TEC’s financial commitment will increase to $125,000.

The number of individual scholarships to be awarded is not fixed. It will be determined by the number of applications received and the amount of assistance requested by those applicants, based on demonstrated financial need. Scholarship awards can cover up to 80% of a program’s tuition.

“The first year of the Road to Success Scholarship Program was a huge success,” stated Jamie Southerland, interim director at TEXAS Extended Campus. “I was impressed by the caliber of the applicants and inspired by their personal stories. I am delighted that we are able to expand the program in its second year, so we can support even more hard-working individuals and help them build successful careers.”

During the first year of the program, 27 individuals were awarded a total of $101,405 in scholarship funds.

“The financial impact of the coronavirus pandemic is still unfolding,” stated Aaron Sinkar, financial officer and director of business services at TEXAS Extended Campus. “With the unemployment rate so high and so many individuals needing to upskill as they undertake an unanticipated job search, expanding access to continuing education is essential, right now.”

Programs included in the Road to Success Scholarship program are the Paralegal Certificate Program, the Project Management Certificate Program and the Data Analytics Certificate Program.

Applications are currently being accepted for programs offered during the fall of 2020. The scholarship application deadline is Friday, July 31 for programs being offered September 1 – December 31, 2020.

For more information, visit: https://professionaled.utexas.edu/tec-road-success-scholarship

About TEXAS Extended Campus

As part of The University of Texas at Austin, TEXAS Extended Campus (TEC) draws upon the multiple strengths of the University to develop and offer programs that serve working professionals and lifelong learners in Austin and across Texas. Faculty members, industry professionals and curriculum experts produce courses and programs to benefit students at the high school, college and professional levels. Courses are available on campus, online and on site.

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