

Eagle Ambassador Application 2021-2022

Thank you for your interest in the Eagle Ambassador program! We are excited to begin the selection process for 2021-2022. Eagle Ambassadors introduce thousands of prospective students and visitors to the University of North Texas annually. They are responsible for the daily operation of the Welcome Center and Eagle Student Service Center Information Desk and provide group tours for school groups. Eagle Ambassadors also assist Admissions and the President's Office as student representatives at various events.

Enclosed in this package you will find:

1 Eagle Ambassador Application
3 Faculty/Staff/Employment Reference Forms
1 List of Important Dates
1 Eagle Ambassador Job Description

Why become an Eagle Ambassador?

The Eagle Ambassadors are exposed to opportunities that are not available to the average UNT student. In addition to the monetary compensation, Ambassadors interact directly with the Offices of the President, Admissions, and Advancement. The training, skills, and connections received through the Ambassador program will benefit you not just at UNT, but throughout your adult life and professional career.

What will the Eagle Ambassador program do for my future?

Students chosen to be part of this elite group receive valuable training and develop skills in problem solving, team building, interpersonal communication, promoting diversity, public speaking and dining etiquette, making them more marketable in today's workforce. Through this program, Eagle Ambassadors have opportunities to use these skills in hands-on situations, thus providing the experience future employers look for.

What is being an Eagle Ambassador all about?

The Eagle Ambassador program is an amazing opportunity for students with a desire to help others and promote the University of North Texas. We are looking for outgoing, friendly students with a genuine love for UNT who want to give campus tours, provide excellent customer service, recruit new students and be positive role models. Being an Eagle Ambassador is a prestigious honor and a unique chance for personal and professional growth.

Completed Application, Video, Official UNT Transcript and 3 Reference Forms are due by *Friday, March 19, 2021*.

Return application packet to Welcome Center Front Desk or brittany.deisher@unt.edu.

EAGLE AMBASSADORS 2021 Eagle Ambassador Application

You must turn in three recommendation forms with this application: one from your most recent employer and two from current UNT faculty or full-time staff. First-year students may give one form to community college or high school personnel. You must also include an <u>official</u> UNT transcript.

Name:	Major(s):	
Phone number:	Minor(s):	
Student ID:	Classification:	
UNT Email:	Date you entered UNT:	
Other Email:	Expected graduation date:	
List all languages you speak fluently:	UNT Fall '20 GPA:	
	UNT Cumulative GPA:	
Credit hours completed at UNT:	Total credit hours completed:	
How did you find out about this position?		
What organizations and/or service opportunities are you	currently active in, including offices you hold?	

Please Circle for Yes or No		
Will you commit to a full year, Aug. 2021 – Aug. 2022, of Eagle Ambassador Service?	Υ	Ν
Do you plan on student teaching or completing an internship in the Aug. 2021 – Aug. 2022 term?	Υ	Ν
Do you plan on taking summer classes at UNT during summer 2022?	Υ	Ν
Do you have a valid Texas driver's license?	Υ	Ν
Are you in good standing with UNT and free of any disciplinary warnings, probation or suspension?	Υ	Ν
If selected for the position, could you attend training August 16-18, 2021?	Υ	Ν

Please chec	k mark next to any	/ O	f the following terms tha	t describe you
Transfer Student	Student Athlete		Eagle Camp Counselor	Former EA Finalist
International Student	Emerald Eagle Scholar		College Ambassador	Orientation Leader
NT40 Member	Honors College Student		Green Jacket	Alumni Association Ambassador
Study Abroad Program Part	icipant		UNT Housing Resident Assista	nt

Please list your three greatest strengths and your three greatest weaknesses.
If you have been previously employed at UNT, please list where and when below.
Where else have you been employed?
Tour video submission
Show us how you tell stories! Have someone (or yourself) film a two to three minute video of you
addressing the topic below. You will not be evaluated on UNT knowledge, video or editing skills. We
want to see your personality and communication skills in a simple one-shot video – a cell phone video
will do.
 Upload the video to YouTube and make sure it's public.
2. Address the following: describe your favorite UNT Tradition and why it's important to you.
3. Email the video to brittany.deisher@unt.edu.
4. Put your first and last name in the subject line of the email.
Candidates will not be considered for employment without this video.
List the names, titles, phone numbers or email addresses of your most recent employer and the
two full-time UNT faculty or staff members who will submit reference forms on your behalf.
By signing below, you acknowledge you have read the Eagle Ambassador job description, agree to
abide by all terms if hired, attest that the information on this application is correct and permit the
selection committee to access your UNT academic records, and any electronic self-representation
you have.
Signature of agreement:

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Submission of application, including video, prior to the March 19th deadline is <u>strongly</u> recommended.



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2021 Eagle Ambassador Important Dates

Staff Photos and Meeting: All Eagle Ambassadors are required to attend a photo session and welcome meeting. The photos will be used for publicity of the new staff and the meeting will provide an introduction to the Eagle Ambassador program. This is also a great opportunity for the new staff to meet one another and ask questions. You will be notified of this date by email if selected for the program.

Training: Eagle Ambassadors are responsible for knowing vast amounts of information about UNT and knowing how to properly present this information. Extensive training will take place the week prior to classes beginning in August. Training will cover a variety of topics including, but not limited to: campus tours, academic departments, student services, life in Denton, welcoming diversity and dining etiquette. Eagle Ambassadors who will be living in residence halls will need to make arrangements to move in early in order to attend training. **All training sessions are mandatory for new and returning Eagle Ambassadors.**

Staff Meetings: Staff meetings are often used as training sessions. These are held on Tuesdays from 5-6:30 p.m. **Eagle Ambassadors must be present at all staff meetings.**

Eagle Ambassador Selection Events				
Date Activity Time and Location				
Friday, March 19 th	Applications due	5:00 PM Welcome Center/Email		
March 24 th -26 th	Group Interviews	9:00 AM – 4:00 PM (Location TBD)		
March 30 th -April 1st	Individual Interviews	9:00 AM – 4:00 PM (Location TBD)		
Week of April 5 th	Mixer Interview	TBD		
Week of April 12th	Positions Offered	Calls will be made on or before this date		
*TBD	Photo Shoot/Meeting			

Mandatory Training Dates				
Date	Activity	Time and Location		
Monday, August 16th	Training	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Welcome Center		
Tuesday, August 17th	Training	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Welcome Center		
Wednesday, August 18th	Training	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Welcome Center		
Tuesday, August 31st	First Staff Meeting	5:00 PM – 6:30 PM, Welcome Center		



2021 Eagle Ambassador Job Description

I Qualifications

- A. Have and maintain a 2.8 cumulative grade point average from UNT as an undergraduate student; 3.25 as a graduate student. If the minimum grade point average is not maintained, the Eagle Ambassador will be placed on probation for one semester. The Eagle Ambassador will still receive the hourly wage and be able to participate in all Eagle Ambassador events during the probation. If the grade point average is not brought up to minimum by the following semester, the Eagle Ambassador will be expelled from the program and the remaining money will be revoked.
- B. <u>Undergraduate students</u>: have a minimum of 30 semester credit hours (at least 15 hours completed at UNT) at the end of the 2021 Summer sessions. Undergraduate students must remain enrolled full time with 12 or more hours each long semester; a total of 6 hours throughout summer sessions is encouraged.
- C. <u>Graduate students</u>: have attended UNT at least one long semester and be enrolled as a full-time student (9 to 11 hours long semester; 3 hours during summer sessions is encouraged).
- D. Commit to a full academic year of service (fall semester, spring semester, Maymester, 5 week 1 and/or 5 week 2 summer sessions), and be continuously enrolled through long semesters; enrollment is encouraged through summer sessions.
- E. Be available for 20 hours of work per week, working a minimum of 15 hours per week. Hours are subject to a decrease in the event of extenuating circumstances.
- F. Exhibit leadership potential and an outgoing, friendly personality.
- G. Provide three reference forms one from a former employer and two from full-time UNT faculty or staff members.
- H. Be in good standing with the university and free of any disciplinary actions from the Dean of Students Office.
- I. Be able to communicate effectively both orally and in writing with a diverse group of people and personalities.
- J. Be able to climb stairs, walk campus, and lift approximately 25 pounds.
- K. Be able to visually explore campus with visitors and monitor web site requests.

II Terms and Conditions of the Position

A. Length of term

- 1. One full academic year beginning Fall 2021.
- 2. New Eagle Ambassadors will be selected in Spring 2021 to begin in Fall 2021.
- 3. Eagle Ambassadors are required to work during some school breaks.
- 4. Required event attendance as scheduled (including, but not limited to):
 - Eagle Ambassador training
 - Chancellor/President/Advancement events
 - College Nights and recruitment events such as UNT Preview and NorTex College Fair
 - Football Games

B. Training may include the following:

- 1. UNT History, Traditions and Mission
- 2. Driver Safety Training
- 3. Team Building

- 4. Marketing Approaches
- 5. Academic Departments
- 6. Social Fundamentals Tour of Campus/script
- 7. Welcoming Diversity Workshop

C. Remuneration

- 1. \$1,000 scholastic award per long semester; \$500 per summer session (if taking required credit hours) for a total of at least \$2,500 per year.
- 2. At least \$8.25/hour for a minimum of 15 hours per week of work. Please note that in the event of extenuating circumstances, hours may be decreased.

D. Attire/personal presentation

- 1. Eagle Ambassadors will receive short sleeve and long sleeve casual uniform shirts and will be required to wear their own khakis for the casual uniform. The appropriate clothing will be determined prior to events, tours or special functions. Uniforms will be worn only when on duty and must be returned to the university if an Eagle Ambassador leaves the program for any reason.
- 2. Every Eagle Ambassador is a representative of the university and is expected to present a professional image reflected in attitude, speech and dress.

E. Employment

- 1. It is expected that participation in the Eagle Ambassador Program will be the primary source of employment.
- 2. Any other employment, membership or involvement must not conflict with Eagle Ambassador training sessions, scheduled events, or related obligations.

F. Conduct

- 1. Eagle Ambassadors are representatives of UNT and are expected to present exemplary behavior during all working hours. These include, but are not limited to: timeliness, positive attitude and professionalism.
- 2. Any violation of the UNT Student Code of Conduct may result in expulsion from the Eagle Ambassador program and revocation of the scholarship for recipients.
- 3. All Eagle Ambassadors will be subject to a background check.

III Responsibilities

A. Tour duties

- 1. Conduct well-organized, friendly tours of the university for parents, prospective students and other visitors.
- 2. Become well-versed in UNT history, tradition, general information, etc. for answering questions on tours and at the Welcome Center and ESSC Information Desk.
- 3. Memorize tour script information and tour route.
- 4. Represent all areas and organizations of UNT equally and accurately to tour participants.
- 5. Operate the campus tour tram safely and be able to navigate the approved tour route.

B. Recruitment duties

- 1. Serve as a positive representative for the University for prospective students and be accessible to answer questions.
- 2. Understand and use UNT enrollment goals and marketing messages when interacting with prospective students and parents.
- 3. Interact with faculty and staff involved in the recruitment of students.

4. Participate in on or off campus recruiting (transportation may/may not be provided) and one-one or electronic (telephone, computer, etc.) contact with prospective students.

C. Ambassador duties

- 1. Represent UNT at functions as assigned.
- 2. Participate in all assigned duties with a positive attitude and take initiative with unanticipated tasks or problems.

D. Administrative duties

- 1. Assist in operation of the Welcome Center and ESSC Information Desk as assigned.
- 2. Assist in compiling materials for events as assigned.
- 3. Maintain regular communication with the Assistant Director of Visitor Experience to discuss situations that warrant his/her attention or action.
- 4. Assist supervisor and other administrators as needed.
- 5. Other duties as assigned.

IV Reporting Structure

- A. Eagle Ambassadors are employed by the Division of Enrollment Management and are expected to abide by all guidelines of that division.
- B. The Eagle Ambassador unit is part of the Office of Visitor Experience within the Department of Customer Experience.
- C. Eagle Ambassadors will report to the UNT Visitor Experience Assistant Director. The Assistant Director reports to the Director of Customer Experience.