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UT Austin TEXAS Extended Campus launches scholarship initiative to increase access to selected programs at the Center for Professional Education

AUSTIN, Texas— TEXAS Extended Campus (TEC) at The University of Texas at Austin has launched a new scholarship initiative to help increase access to career-changing programs offered by the Center for Professional Education (CPE). TEC will invest up to \$100,000 per year in this new initiative, called the TEXAS Extended Campus Road to Success Scholarship. 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.

Scholarships will be awarded to students interested in registering for CPE's [Paralegal Certificate Program](#), the [Project Management Certificate Program](#) and the [Strategic Communication Certificate Program](#), which are all in-person trainings conducted on the UT Austin Main Campus. Scholarship funds can also be used for the [Data Analytics Certificate Program](#), which is a 100% online program.

"I was inspired listening to student testimonials from some of our former participants at an event last year, which really highlighted the possibility of CPE courses helping to change people's lives," stated Jamie Southerland, Interim Director at TEXAS Extended Campus. "When President Fenves revealed UT's priorities in the fall, I was particularly drawn to increasing access and driving upward mobility. Our courses are perfectly placed to help non-traditional students get the career training that they need to get ahead in their jobs. Everyone at TEXAS Extended Campus is passionate about helping individuals who are providing for their families get access to education that can truly make a difference in their lives."

The initial round of scholarship awards will be for programs offered during the summer of 2019. The scholarship application deadline is April 1.

The Center for Professional Education has been providing professional development and workplace training at UT Austin for 20 years. Most classes and programs are conducted on campus in the Thompson Conference Center, with an increasing number of programs in the course catalog now also being offering online to meet the needs of today's busy adult students.

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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