The Archer Center and The University of Texas at Dallas

The Honors College at the University of Texas at Dallas facilitates UT Dallas student participation in the programs sponsored by The Archer Center for students in The University of Texas System. Located in The University of Texas System Office of Federal Relations in Washington D.C., the Archer Center educates the next generation of leaders for service in local, state, federal, and international organizations.

The Archer Center offers two distinct programs for UT System students. The Bill Archer Fellowship Program hosts undergraduate students in the Fall and Spring semesters. The Graduate Program in Public Policy brings graduate students studying policy and politics to Washington, D.C. for 12 weeks in the summer.

The Bill Archer Fellowship Program for Undergraduates was established by The University of Texas System in conjunction with Former U.S. Representative Bill Archer as a way to bring highly motivated and accomplished students to Washington, D.C. Students take nine hours of classes focusing on policy, economics, and persuasion. Students also earn six hours of internship credit with places such as the United Nations Information Centre, the U.S. Department of State, the White House, the Supreme Court, the Capitol, with federal agencies, and with non-profit organizations. The selection process is rigorous.

The Graduate Program in Public Policy was established by The University of Texas System as a way to bring graduate students studying policy and politics to our nation’s Capital to learn about the federal government and public service. For any graduate student interested in American governance, the experience of living and working in Washington, D.C., is like none other. Enrollment in the Graduate Program in Public Policy is limited and is determined by a competitive process. The application process consists of two parts: (1) selection of semi-finalists based on submission of application material; (2) interviews of the semifinalists, from which Program Participants will be chosen.

Additional Archer Program Information

- For UT Dallas on-campus information, contact Valerie Brunell in the Honors College. You can stop by the Honors College in person; we are located in the Green Center suite 2.2.
- For off-campus information, visit www.archercenter.org.