

# Home to Texas™

UT Austin summer internship program  
**Changing the world starts at home.**  
**Community application for support**  
Summer 2021 program: June 1-July 30.

Application due date  
October 1, 2020



## Introduction

A significant problem that rural areas and isolated cities face is workforce development. Many students from those regions go off to a college outside of their region and never return to contribute to the local economy. To address this, the IC<sup>2</sup> Institute in partnership with the UT Austin School of Undergraduate Studies piloted a program called Home to Texas. For selected communities, UT Austin identifies both employers and students and facilitates matches for summer placements. UT Austin provides to each participating student a \$5,000 scholarship, summer tuition, materials and support. Employers do not make separate payments to students. Students receive research training from IC<sup>2</sup> prior to their internships and are expected to conduct local interviews and stay in touch with the institute throughout the summer. More information is available at [ic2.utexas.edu](http://ic2.utexas.edu).

For the summer 2021 Home to Texas program, we hope to select 10-20 Texas communities. Within each community, we will place about 4 student interns, and we will host at least 1 evening event, in July, to introduce participating students to members of the community. The cost of running the Home to Texas program is approximately \$25,000 per community, not including the cost of UT Austin personnel who run the program.

Community applications for Home to Texas support will be evaluated based on community interest, need, and willingness to participate in support of the placements, as well as on the value of the proposed internship placements. Matching financial support is highly encouraged, and the institute will make every effort to include communities willing to cover the scholarship costs of participating students from their communities. Communities may suggest other ways they can support the program, for example, by identifying additional paid internships, by providing intern housing, or by hosting evening events. Intern employers who seek to acquaint students with the culture, vision, and mission of their organizations are favored. Detailed descriptions of internship opportunities and community engagement should be included in the application fields below. Please gather information on the internship placements you propose for your community before beginning this application.

**Community name/definition** (may be a city, county, or other defined geographic region, e.g., tri-county area):

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## Community contact:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title and organization \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Community description**

In 500 words or less, please describe your community. We are interested in what makes your community unique, including community assets, challenges, and values. Please also address how having Home to Texas summer interns would positively impact the community.

**Proposed internship employers**

Provide information for up to 4 local internships that you would like funded. Obtain confirmation from proposed organizations/supervisors before listing internships.

Internship 1

Organization name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization website \_\_\_\_\_

Organization physical address \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:  public  private not-for-profit  private start-up enterprise  private established business

Organization description (<100 words)

Proposed supervisor name \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor title \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Internship description (<200 words)

Internship 2

Organization name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization website \_\_\_\_\_

Organization physical address \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:  public  private not-for-profit  private start-up enterprise  private established business

Organization description (<100 words)

Proposed supervisor name \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor title \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Internship description (<200 words)

Internship 3

Organization name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization website \_\_\_\_\_

Organization physical address \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:  public  private not-for-profit  private start-up enterprise  private established business

Organization description (<100 words)

Proposed supervisor name \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor title \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Internship description (<200 words)

Internship 4

Organization name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization website \_\_\_\_\_

Organization physical address \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:  public  private not-for-profit  private start-up enterprise  private established business

Organization description (<100 words)

Proposed supervisor name \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor title \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Internship description (<200 words)

**Additional employers**

In addition to the organizations listed above, list any other organizations who might also be interested in engaging a summer intern, through community, UT, or company funding.

**Community support**

Check support that the community is willing to offer if selected for Home to Texas:

- Contribution to Home to Texas scholarship fund. Amount: \_\_\_\_\_
- Additional community-paid internships. Number of internships: \_\_\_\_\_
- Sponsorship of July community-university event, including planning, venue, and [non-alcoholic] refreshments.
- Housing for interns not within commuting distance of placements. Number of places: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other. Specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Submitted by**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Email completed and signed form to [htt@ic2.utexas.edu](mailto:htt@ic2.utexas.edu) before October 1, 2020.