

Get Off the Porch and Run with The Big Dogs

Learn, Teach and Implement Smart Philanthropy



Student Application

Please deliver your completed application to: bigdogendowment@gmail.com

120 E. Constitution Victoria, TX 77901 [361-570-1800](tel:361-570-1800)

Full Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone (_____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____ - _____

Mailing Address _____

Current Degree Program _____

Major/Concentration _____

Expected Graduation Date _____ Advisor _____

College(s) Attended (Please list the most recent enrollment first, including TLU)

| School Name | From | To | GPA | Degree |
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Two-semester commitment: Big Dog Fund is a two-semester commitment (Fall and Spring). Students who participate, are required to attend during both semesters.

Can you commit to enrolling in both the Fall and Spring? _____



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Finance, Economics, & Accounting Courses Taken (Include current semester. If not applicable leave blank.)

| Course Name | Course Code | Grade | Date Completed | College (if not TLU) |
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Attachments – Please include the following with your application:

1. A copy of your resume.
2. A brief statement about yourself. Explain why you would like to participate in Big Dog, and include information about your interests, skills, abilities, academic honors, work experience, goals, ambitions, etc.



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Big Dog Statement of Understanding & Commitment

1. Students come to TLU for an education. As such, your academics come first.
2. BIG DOG is designed to be an “in-house” program at TLU.
3. Despite the fact that it meets at TLU, please understand that it is a real-world Endowment, and therefore it should be viewed as a job. If you do not show up to your job—there is a very high chance you will be fired. If you have a lethargic and lazy attitude, you can be removed from the program.
4. BIG DOG is a privilege that is offered only to those students who appreciate the opportunity and have shown the ability to excel in their endeavors.
5. BIG DOG is sponsored by Sather Financial Group. As such, Sather Financial pays the cost associated with BIG DOG. TLU does not pay for BIG DOG.
6. Members of Sather Financial are not compensated by TLU —or anyone else to work with BIG DOG. As such, BIG DOG takes time and money away from other things they could be doing.
7. Sather Financial has coordinated with TLU so that a certification may be obtained by students who complete the necessary coursework.
8. If you cannot attend BIG DOG, your absence needs to be pre-approved. If you are requesting pre-approval of an absence for another TLU event, your professor/sponsor of that organization must provide you with a written request.
9. TLU policy states that if two or more TLU events are occurring at once that you are to be given the opportunity to make those things up. Due to the steep learning curve and real-world nature of BIG DOG the ability to “make up” assignments is very difficult. As such, unless you receive prior approval your first priority needs to be to attend BIG DOG. This is true whether you are receiving a certificate or not.
10. Good communication solves 90% of the world’s problems. If you are sent an email, text message, phone call or other communication—it is a good habit to make sure you reply within 24 hours—if not sooner. When you don’t reply promptly, it tells people you don’t care.
11. It is understood that everyone has scheduling issues and many TLU students are involved in a variety of things. As such, things will come up that may/may not be TLU related. Given this, everyone deserves one free pass if they cannot make BIG DOG class—but only one. However, it cannot be a class when you are scheduled to make a presentation.
12. If you want to exercise your “one free miss”—you must still communicate this to me ahead of time.

13. At the beginning of each semester, there is a schedule that is published for all BIG DOG interns to review. Please do so carefully so that if you see any conflicts, you notify Sather Financial immediately.

14. Although cell phones, laptops, tablets and other devices of this nature are indispensable—there is a right place and time to use these. Using them in the middle of class is unacceptable.

15. Like most things in life, BIG DOG is one of those things that the harder you work the more reward you will derive.

Read, sign and date the following statement: I certify that the information provided herein is complete and accurate. I authorize the Faculty Advisor and members of the Big Dog Fund to make a reasonable inquiry regarding my application. I understand that falsifying or withholding information in completing this application constitutes grounds for immediate withdrawal of my application from consideration and cancellation of my enrollment in the course.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____