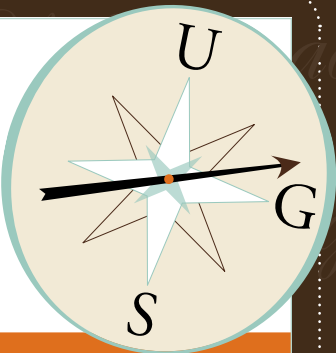


FIRST-YEAR INTEREST GROUPS

# First-year Interest Groups

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Change  
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**UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**



FIRST-YEAR INTEREST GROUP

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

# What is a FIG?

It's a connection with experienced students: upper-division peer mentors with inside knowledge of university life.

It's a small group of first-year students who share classes.

It's a great way to get to know people.

It's a resource for getting to know The University of Texas at Austin.

It's a wonderful start to your college education.



**It's a First-year  
Interest Group.**

*Interested?*

Then read on....

**FIG First-year Interest Group** In a FIG you generally take two to four classes in common with a group or cohort of 20 other first-year students. Typically, one of these classes is small, so that you get to know your FIG-mates and recognize them in larger lecture classes. In addition, your cohort also attends a 1-hour seminar once a week led by a professional facilitator and peer mentor. In the seminar, you will take part in discussions about issues you will encounter as a first-year student such as:

- ◆ Study and time management strategies
- ◆ Campus life and involvement
- ◆ Social opportunities and issues
- ◆ Plus a lot more...

**TrIG Transfer Interest Group** TrIGs are specially designed to address the unique needs of transfer students. They follow a similar guideline as FIGs with emphasis on meaningful resources that are relevant to a transfer student's transition to UT. Benefits of the TrIG Program include:

- ◆ Gaining knowledge about UT resources
- ◆ Exploring major and career options in depth
- ◆ Meeting other transfer students with common academic interests

More information on TrIGs can be found on page 23.

# ResFIG Residential First-year Interest Group

A Residential FIG is an opportunity for students in the same FIG to live together. In a Res FIG, students will:

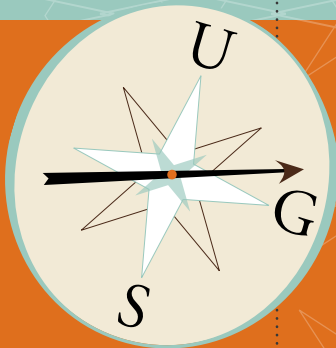
- ◆ Have a room in either Whitis Court or Duren Hall
- ◆ Be a part of a close-knit group that lives and studies together
- ◆ Enroll in a FIG together for the entire academic year
- ◆ Participate in community service projects each semester

More information on Res FIGs can be found on page 24.

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# FIG *facts*

If you are an entering freshman or transfer student, you have the chance to get off to a great start at UT by enrolling in a First-year Interest Group (FIG).

## How does it work?

FIG course groupings are organized around a theme or an academic area. So in addition to taking classes in common with a small group of fellow students, in a FIG you will:

- ◆ Satisfy degree requirements
- ◆ Forge a link between academic and social experiences
- ◆ Find it easy to form study groups
- ◆ Have regular contact with peer and professional facilitators
- ◆ Be introduced to academic resources at UT
- ◆ Develop a sense of community among fellow students
- ◆ Have FUN!

## More about FIGs

- ◆ Most FIGs are offered in the fall semester only
- ◆ Space is limited
- ◆ There is no cost to enroll in a FIG
- ◆ Your FIG gives you a partial course load; your advisor will help you pick out additional courses to complete your schedule

## FIG History

Begun at UT in 1998, the FIG program has grown into the largest program of its kind in the nation. During this time, FIG students have set themselves apart from non-FIG students by:

- ◆ Being retained at a higher rate
- ◆ Performing better in classes
- ◆ Maintaining higher GPAs

## What you should expect from a FIG

A safe environment where you can:

- ◆ Ask any and all questions
- ◆ Learn more about UT and Austin
- ◆ Explore & challenge yourself

# FIGure it out— How to join a FIG....



1. Be an enrolling first-year student
2. Review the FIG course listings and choose the FIG(s) right for you
3. Meet with your academic advisor and tell them you would like to join a FIG
4. Register for non-residential FIGs during summer orientation
5. **Get ready for a great year!**



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“Worthwhile”



## FIG STUDENT PROFILE

**Name:** Cathy Coussons

**Hometown:** Laredo, Texas

**College/Major:** Cockrell School of Engineering/Petroleum Engineering

**How many years have you been involved with the FIG program and in what capacity?** I have been involved with the FIG program for a total of 2 years so far. My first year I was a Residential FIG student and my second I was a mentor. Currently, I am working in the FIG office to help assist in the training of new and upcoming FIG mentors.

**Why is this program important to you?** Training new mentors has given me the opportunity to see how FIG has inspired others to become leaders and provide guidance to newcomers in the difficult transition from high school to college. The FIG program is an excellent learning experience for both the mentor and students. It provides freshmen a great opportunity to learn more about the university, make friends, and network with faculty and staff. As a mentor, you get the personal satisfaction of knowing you have affected someone's life in a positive manner.

**How has it helped you or changed your life in any way?** I learned that uncertainty is not always something to fear, but rather something to learn from. Through the FIG program, I was able to interact with students experiencing the same apprehension as I was. The combined effort of each individual allowed us to grow together and accomplish our first year of college. Furthermore, this beneficial support system has left me with friends and experiences that will never be forgotten.

**Describe one of your most memorable FIG moments.** During one of our more informal FIG sessions a few of my FIG students and I engaged in conversation about our different life experiences. At the end of class, one student approached me and mentioned that FIG made UT feel more like home. He thanked me for guiding him through this transition while allowing him to “finally break out of his shell”. I then realized how comfortable my students had become around me, as well as one another and how drastically mentors can affect their students' first year experiences.

**Describe the program in one word and explain why you chose that word.**  
**Worthwhile.** Whether you are a student, mentor, or facilitator, everyone gains something valuable from the FIG experience. The program promotes unity, school spirit, and success. Partaking in FIG allows one to meet a diverse group of people who share similar interests as well as provides students a foundation of confidence from which they can then build upon through next few years of their life.

## FIG STUDENT PROFILE

# Name: Clay Sampson

**Hometown:** Ennis, Texas

**College/Major:** College of Communication/Journalism

**How many years have you been involved with the FIG program and in what capacity?** I was a Residential FIG student my freshman year. During my sophomore year, I led a Residential FIG, and I am planning on being a FIG mentor in the College of Communication this fall.

**Why is this program important to you?** The FIG program really helped me adapt to college life in a small amount of time. My freshman year, I met my FIG mates in the first week of school, and we instantly related to each other. Not only did we share the same academic pursuits but we were also all dealing with the same issues – being away from home for the first time, finding our niche in a huge campus, and simply making friends. The FIG program acts as a home away from home. Also, every week at the FIG seminar, our FIG mentor and co-facilitator were there to guide us and answer any kind of questions (however embarrassing) we had about anything at all, which was very helpful.

**How has it helped you or changed your life in any way?** The benefits from being involved in a FIG (both as a mentee and a mentor) are vast. FIG has helped me become a better student, make lasting friendships, learn about vital university resources and policies, and grow into a more well-rounded individual. It's a very rewarding experience to both teach and learn from others knowledge and skills that will be useful not only throughout college but throughout life as well.

**Describe one of your most memorable FIG moments.** During one seminar, we ate catered sandwiches outside while we worked on filming a special residential FIG video. We hardly got anything accomplished for the video because the people who were off-camera did whatever they could to get those on-camera to laugh, which proved to not be very hard.

**Describe the program in one word and explain why you chose that word.**

**Fun!** Sure, you learn extensive information about the university, your particular major, and other important things, but it's the engaging atmosphere of the FIG seminars and the people around you that make this experience one that is filled with laughs, memories, and fun!



“Fun!”





## FIG STUDENT PROFILE

**Name:** Katie Tran

**Hometown:** Pearland, Texas

**College/Major:** Natural Sciences - Human Biology; Liberal Arts - Sociology; Bridging Disciplines Program - Ethics of Health Care Certificate

**How many years have you been involved with the FIG program and in what capacity?** I've been involved with the FIG Program for 3 years now, my freshman year as a student, and the past 2 years as a mentor and Training Advisory Committee member to help train new mentors for the upcoming year.

**Why is this program important to you?** The FIG program really helped me adjust to UT by providing regular seminars to meet a smaller community of students with the similar interests. I met my first friends at UT through FIG. I also enjoy being a mentor and participating in the advisory committee because I'm making a positive contribution to a program that reaches so many students every year.

**How has it helped you or changed your life in any way?** In addition to the benefit of having a smaller class of students to interact with, the FIG program has taught me more about many of UT's resources such as the Bridging Disciplines Program (BDP), through which I am currently earning an Ethics of Health Care Certificate. My participation in the BDP has broadened my perspective on ethical decision-making and is relevant for my future career plans.

**Describe one of your most memorable FIG moments.** My most vivid memory was at the end of my first semester as a FIG mentor. Before class started, my FIG students were very loud having fun talking with each other, which was a big difference from the quiet group they were on the first day of class. It was great to see that they had formed close relationships with each other and watching them reminded me of my own experience as a FIG student.

**Describe the program in one word and explain why you chose that word.**  
**Unforgettable.** The people, learned opportunities, and knowledge you gain by participating in this program will enrich your undergraduate experience throughout your stay at UT.

*“Unforgettable”*



## FIG STUDENT PROFILE

# Name: Sabrina Maqsood

**Hometown:** Plano, Texas

**College/Major:** Business/Marketing

**How many years have you been involved with the FIG program and in what capacity?** So far, I've been involved with FIG for three years. During my freshman year, I was a student in a FIG in the McCombs School of Business. For the last two years, I have been a mentor for two Business FIGs and one Natural Sciences FIG.

**Why is this program important to you?** The FIG program gives freshmen a head start at UT. For some students, coming to a large campus can be intimidating and daunting. Joining a FIG provides these students with the reassurance that they will always have friends to help them in their classes and a support system to fall back on in life. For me, the FIG program helps me stay in touch with the younger side of UT and I feel like I am able to give back to the university in an important way.

**How has it helped you or changed your life in any way?** As a freshman, being in a FIG helped me feel at home at UT. In my large first-year classes, I was able to immediately find a group of students just like me to rely on for study help and support. During my seminar time, I was introduced to study skills and UT resources that I still use to this day. As a mentor, FIG has helped me to improve my leadership skills tremendously. I've been so lucky to work closely with some of the best and most diverse staff that UT has to offer. Overall, my various involvement in the program has allowed me to create meaningful bonds with my peers and my students.

**Describe one of your most memorable FIG moments.** When I was a mentor, a student approached me one day to let me know that he was not sure if his major or even his college was right for him. I was impressed with how driven he was to explore his options and proud that he felt comfortable using me as a resource to find out more information. It was inspiring to help him through this process. Knowing that I had helped him find his way at UT reminded me that the work I do as a mentor is important and that I am lucky to have been granted such an important job.

**Describe the program in one word and explain why you chose that word.**

**Rewarding.** A freshman in a FIG has the potential to get so much out of the program. Whether it's help in classes, building relationships with their seminar advisors, access to campus resources, or even long lasting friendships, every student I've known who has gone through FIG has benefited from it in some way. As a mentor, having the chance to be an integral part of a first-year student's life is a reward that far surpasses anything else.

*“Rewarding”*



# FIG Course listings 2008

## Undergraduate Studies - Interdisciplinary

Interdisciplinary First-year Interest Groups (FIGs) are organized by the Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies around common themes and areas of study. These FIGs are open to all majors and will give students the opportunity to explore a broad range of interests as well as network outside of their particular college. If you are interested in joining an interdisciplinary FIG, talk with your advisor during summer orientation. For more information, please call the FIG office at (512) 232-FIGS.

### BUSINESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY

UGS 303 Your Global Money  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### FILM STUDIES

BDP 101 Introduction To Film Studies  
UGS 303 History Of World Cinema  
RHE 309K Topics In Writing-w  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### FUTURE OF COMMUNICATION

UGS 302 Mass Media & Influ On Socy-w  
SOC 302 Intro To The Study Of Society  
CMS 306M Professnl Communication Skills  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### HEALTH AND POLICY

UGS 303 Global Inequalities And Health  
SOC 319 Intro To Social Demography  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### HEALTH PROFESSIONS

UGS 302 Health In Multicul Populatns-w  
CH 301 Principles Of Chemistry I  
BIO 311C Introductory Biology I  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

BDP 101 Going Global: Tpcs In Intl Std  
UGS 302 Polit Econ Of Globalization-w  
RTF 309 Comm Technology And Society  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### MIND MATTERS

PSY 301 Introduction To Psychology  
UGS 303 Us Public Ed: Promise & Peril  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### PRE-LAW

UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR  
UGS 303 Law In Human Society  
PHL 304 Contemporary Moral Problems

### UT LEADERS

CMS 306M Professnl Communication Skills  
UGS 302 UT And Leadership-w  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## McCombs School of Business

FIGs in the McCombs School of Business offer a unique opportunity for business freshmen to connect with their classmates, professionals, instructors and the university community. Through participation in a weekly seminar, students will explore services, majors and organizations available in the McCombs School of Business. Additionally, these FIGs will explore topics relevant to all new students including: time management, study skills, careers, major exploration and Austin fun. Each of our FIG features one of the required Undergraduate Studies Signature courses, plus other courses that meet the basic requirements of any of our business majors. As an added feature of our McCombs FIGs, we will utilize an assessment tool called StrengthsQuest Finder to help students discover their natural talents. As you read the FIG descriptions below, please note that a few of the FIGs target a specific population or interest. For additional information, contact The McCombs Undergraduate Programs Office (512) 471-0690.

### AUSTIN START-UP

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student who doesn't already have credit for one of the courses.

B A 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR  
ECO 304K Introduction To Microeconomics  
UGS 303 Problem Of Persistent Poverty  
CMS 306M Professnl Communication Skills

### BUSINESS AROUND THE WORLD

This FIG specifically targets students who have a strong interest in studying abroad at some point during their time at UT.

B A 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR  
ECO 304K Introduction To Microeconomics  
CH 304K Chemistry In Context I  
UGS 303 Our Global Backyard

**CEO: CREATING & EXPLORING OPTIONS**

This FIG specifically targets students who have an interest in business, but would also like to explore their options outside of the business school. Within the FIG, we will have some planned activities that specifically address the needs of students exploring majors.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
UGS	303	History Of World Cinema
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills

**DEBITS & CREDITS**

This FIG specifically targets students who have a strong interest in Accounting as a major.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
UGS	303	Sustaining A Planet

**EXECUTIVE DECISIONS**

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student with the appropriate placement test score to take Calculus.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
UGS	303	How Do You Know?
BIO	301D	Bio For Business/law/lib Arts
M	408K	Differential Calculus
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics

**FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS**

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student with the appropriate placement test score to take Calculus.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
M	408K	Differential Calculus
CH	304K	Chemistry In Context I
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
UGS	303	America In A Globalizing World

**GROW YOUR INVESTMENTS**

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student with the appropriate placement test score to take Calculus.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
M	408K	Differential Calculus
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
P S	303	Intro Phys Sci I: Mech & Heat
UGS	303	Journalism And/in Democracy

“The FIG program helped make UT feel a lot smaller and made me feel like I was part of a community. Not only was it nice to always have a group of people to study with, but being in a FIG was also a great way to make friends. All of the girls in my FIG became really close throughout the semester and I’m even going to live with two of those girls next year.”

- Jennifer Jebli, Broadcast Journalism Junior

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student who doesn’t already have credit for one of the courses

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
UGS	303	Ideas Of The Twentieth Century

**JOINT VENTURE**

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student who doesn’t already have credit for one of the courses.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
UGS	303	Envir Econ For Non-economists

**LEADERS OF TOMORROW**

This FIG specifically targets students who are interested in exploring leadership issues and is led by one of the Program Coordinators for McCombs Student Life. We encourage students in this FIG to also consider taking BDP 306 Fundamentals of Ethical Leadership along with the FIG courses listed. This additional class can be used towards the free elective requirement within the business curriculum.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
UGS	303	Us Public Ed: Promise & Peril

**MCCOMBS MDS**

This FIG specifically targets students who have an interest in going to medical school after completing their Bachelors in Business Administration. We plan to utilize the resources available to pre-med students offered by the Health Professions Office.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I (1)
UGS	303	Medical Ethics
M	408K	Differential Calculus



### NET GAINS

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student who doesn't already have credit for one of the courses.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
UGS	303	Humankind And Nature

### OPERATION: MCCOMBS

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student who doesn't already have credit for one of the courses.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
UGS	303	Sustaining a Planet

### PATH TO SUCCESS

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student with the appropriate placement test score to take Calculus.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
M	408K	Differential Calculus
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
UGS	303	Lat Amer Envir Hist/sustainbl

### QUALITY CONTROL

This FIG specifically targets students who are eligible to receive credit by examination for M 408C (ex: through the Advanced Placement AB Calculus test) or have transfer credit for a college level Calculus I course.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
M	408L	Integral Calculus
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
UGS	303	Hiv/aids: Global & Local Persp



### REALIZE YOUR POTENTIAL

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student with the appropriate placement test score to take Calculus.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
M	408K	Differential Calculus
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
UGS	303	Humankind And Nature
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology

### STOCK OPTIONS

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student who doesn't already have credit for one of the courses

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
UGS	303	Sustaining A Planet

### TQM

This FIG specifically targets students who are eligible to receive credit by examination for M 408C (ex: through the Advanced Placement AB Calculus test). This FIG fits perfectly for students considering majors that require a more technical background such as Engineering Route to Business, Economics, or Natural Science.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
M	408D	Seq, Series, And Multivar Calc
UGS	303	Modes Of Reasoning

### VIP: VISUALIZING INDIVIDUAL POTENTIAL

This FIG is appropriate for any McCombs student with the appropriate placement test score to take Calculus.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
M	408K	Differential Calculus
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
UGS	303	American Spaces And Places

### WORLD MARKET

This FIG specifically targets students who have a strong interest in studying abroad at some point during their time at UT.

B A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
M	408K	Differential Calculus
UGS	303	Hum Sci Solutns For Global Fam



# College of Communication

Making the transition to university life can often be confusing and stressful. In the College of Communication, students who participate in the First-year Interest Group program find their freshman year to be one that is informative, enlightening and fun.

Each FIG in the College of Communication is carefully designed using courses that will count toward any student's degree, even if they enroll in a FIG that includes a communication course that is not from their major.

To see which FIG is right for you, talk to your academic advisor or call (512) 471-1553.

## A NEW PERSPECTIVE

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ADV	315	History & Devel Of Advertising
GRG	305	This Human World: Intro To Grg
UGS	303	Sustaining a Planet

## COMM CHAT

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	305	Introduction To Media Studies
UGS	303	Mus/art/ritual Mex Catholicism
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
UGS	303	Mus/art/ritual Mex Catholicism

## COMM OUT LOUD

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	316M	Communication & Ethnic Groups
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts
UGS	303	Law In Human Society

## COMM THIS WAY

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
P R	305	Fundmntls Of Public Relations
T D	301	Introduction To Theatre
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society

## COMM TOGETHER

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ADV	305	Fundamentals Of Advertising
T D	301	Introduction To Theatre
P S	303	Intro Phys Sci I: Mech & Heat

## COMMON GROUND

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	305	Introduction To Media Studies
ANT	302	Cultural Anthropology
GRG	301K	Weather And Climate

## COMTASTIC

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
MUS	307	2-history Of Rock Music
ANT	302	Cultural Anthropology

## EXIT STAGE LEFT

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	305	Introduction To Media Studies
T D	301	Introduction to Theatre
GRG	301K	Weather And Climate

## FREUD, FILM & FUN

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	305	Introduction To Media Studies
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
T D	301	Introduction to Theatre

## HEART & SOUL

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
UGS	303	America In A Globalizing World
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts

## IMAGE MAKERS

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ADV	305	Fundamentals Of Advertising
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts

## IN COMMON

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	305	Introduction To Media Studies
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics

“Being in a FIG not only teaches you about the university’s outstanding resources, but most importantly teaches you about the wealth of resources that you can find within yourself.”

— James Tolleson, Music Studies Senior

“Being involved with FIG has been one of the most satisfying and fulfilling extra-curricular experiences I have had at UT. I see so much of myself in the students I mentor and it is incredibly rewarding to help them create a fulfilling college experience”

– Leigh Salinas, Business Honors Program/  
Professional Program in Accounting Junior

### INFORMATION HIGHWAY

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
P R	305	Fundmntls Of Public Relations
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology

### JOURNIES

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
J	310	Critical Issues In Journalism
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
P S	303	Intro Phys Sci I: Mech & Heat

### MEDIA FRENZY

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
J	310	Critical Issues In Journalism
T D	301	Introduction To Theatre
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology

### MODERN TIMES

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	316M	Communication & Ethnic Groups
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts

### NEWSIES

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
J	310	Critical Issues In Journalism
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
BIO	301M	Ecology, Evolution, & Society

### PATHWAY

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
CSD	306K	Introduction To Comm Disorders
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts

### REEL TO REAL

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	305	Introduction To Media Studies
GRG	305	This Human World: Intro To Grg
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts

### SOCIETY & CULTURE

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ADV	315	History & Devel Of Advertising
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
ARC	308	Architecture And Society

### THE GOOD, THE BAD & THE COMM

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
RTF	305	Introduction To Media Studies
P S	303	Intro Phys Sci I: Mech & Heat
T D	301	Introduction To Theatre

### TREND SETTERS

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ADV	305	Fundamentals Of Advertising
BIO	301M	Ecology, Evolution, & Society
T D	301	Introduction to Theatre

### WRITE ON!

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
UGS	303	American Spaces And Places
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
J	310	Critical Issues In Journalism

“As a FIG mentor I want to teach my students all the things that I wish I known about my first year at UT. It feels great to give back to a program that has given so much to me both as a FIG student and as a mentor.”

–Natalie Lebrun, Communication Studies/  
Human Relations Honors Senior

# College of Education

The College of Education offers FIGs for students who are pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Applied Learning and Development (ALD) and a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology.

## APPLIED LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The teaching profession offers a variety of opportunities but demands high levels of personal and professional skill. Being an effective and successful teacher involves the ability to work effectively with people, possession of a sense of service to others, academic competence and professional commitment. Students participating in an ALD FIG will have an opportunity to develop these skills through the classroom and required fieldwork experience.

Students planning to become teachers can choose from one of the 3 FIGs listed below. Each FIG cluster offers required classes that fulfill degree requirements for elementary teacher certification. For more information about the ALD FIGs contact the College of Education Student Dean's Office at 512- 471-3223.

### LESSON PLANNERS \*year long

ALD	001	First-Year Interest Group Seminar
ALD	322	Individual Differences
PSY	301	Introduction to Psychology
NSC	309	Science for 21st Century
UGS	303	Our Global Backyard

### SAVED BY THE BELL \*year long

ALD	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
ALD	322	Individual Differences
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
NSC	309	Science for 21st Century

### SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK \*fall semester

ALD	001	First-Year Interest Group Seminar
ALD	322	Individual Differences
PSY	301	Introduction to Psychology
CSD	314L	Socio-cultural Bases of Communication

## KINESIOLOGY

K-I-N-E-S-I-O-L-O-G-Y: What is it and what can I do with it? It's more than you think and these FIGs will help you discover just how vast the opportunities are for our Kinesiology & Health majors.

Plan on going to medical or physical therapy school? You're in the right place. Want to become an athletic trainer for a high school, college, or professional sports team? We got that covered. Interested in working in the sport or entertainment industry? We can help you get there. Concerned about current health epidemics or want to help people get the most out of their fitness goals? Look no further. Have a love for physical fitness and want to teach about the importance of physical activity? We've been doing that for years!

Our three FIGs: Brains & Brawn, KIN Folk, and KINspace.com will have 20 students in each cohort and will explore the wide-range of professional programs and careers Kinesiology & Health majors are pursuing. Additionally, the FIG Facilitator and Peer Mentor will help you create a strong connection to the University and the Kinesiology Faculty and Staff.

So what are you waiting for? Talk to an Advisor during Orientation about joining one of our FIGs or call our Kinesiology Advising Center (512-475-6146) for more details.

## BRAINS AND BRAWN

KIN	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
KIN	310	Physiol Basis Of Conditioning
KIN	312M	Mgmt Of Phys Activ/sport Progs
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology

## KIN FOLK

KIN	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
KIN	310	Physiol Basis Of Conditioning
KIN	312M	Mgmt Of Phys Activ/sport Progs
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology

## KINSPACE.COM

KIN	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
KIN	310	Physiol Basis Of Conditioning
KIN	312M	Mgmt Of Phys Activ/sport Progs
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology

## Cockrell School of Engineering

School of Engineering freshmen students have the opportunity to enroll in one of 26 FIGs listed below during Orientation. In addition to their cohort classes, these future engineers will participate in a weekly seminar designed to help them make the adjustment to college life and to develop strategies for being a successful student at UT. Students will also have a chance to learn more about their majors and a career in Engineering. FIG seminars are led by upper division engineering students, staff, and faculty mentors. For more information, talk to an academic advisor by calling (512) 471-4321.

### *Aerospace Engineering (The Wright Figs)*

#### THE ORVILLES

ASE	102	Intro to Aerospace Engineering
ASE	201	Intro To Computer Programming
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### THE WILBURS

ASE	102	Intro to Aerospace Engineering
ASE	201	Intro To Computer Programming
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Architectural Engineering*

#### THE CONSTRUCTORS

ARC	308	Architecture And Society
ARE	102	Intro To Architectural Engr
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Biomedical Engineering*

#### TEXAS BIOMEDS

BME	303	Introduction To Computing
BME	102	Intro To Biomedical Engr
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### THE UT BEEMERS

BME	102	Intro To Biomedical Engr
BME	303	Introduction To Computing
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
BIO	205L	Lab Exp Bio: Cell & Molec Bio
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Chemical Engineering*

#### THE PROCESSORS

CHE	210	Introduction To Computing
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### THE REACTORS

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
CHE	210	Introduction To Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

or

CH	302	Principles Of Chemistry II
CHE	210	Introduction To Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Civil Engineering*

#### THE MASTER PLANNERS

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
M E	210	Engineering Design Graphics
C E	301	Civil Engineering Systems
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### THE SUSPENDERS

CE	301	Civil Engineering Systems
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Electrical And Computer Engineering*

#### BITS AND BYTES

EE	302	Intro Electrical Engineering
EE	306	Introduction To Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### SQUARED FOR SUCCESS

EE	302	Intro Electrical Engineering
EE	306	Introduction To Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

EE	302	Intro Electrical Engineering
EE	306	Introduction To Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### THE TRENDSETTERS

EE	302	Intro Electrical Engineering
EE	306	Intro to Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR





### *Mechanical Engineering*

#### THE CADALYSTS

ME	302	Intro To Engr Dsgn & Graphics
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### THE FIG NEWTONS

ME	302	Intro To Engr Dsgn & Graphics
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Petroleum & Geosystems*

#### THE PEN PALs

PGE	102	Intro To Petro And Geosys Engr
GEO	303	Introduction To Geology
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

#### THE DRILL TEAM

PGE	102	Intro To Petro And Geosys Engr
GEO	303	Introduction To Geology
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN ENGINEERING- EOE

**\*\*These FIGs are year-long \*\***

### *Aerospace And Civil*

#### STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

M	408C	Differen And Integral Calculus
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**or**

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Mechanical*

#### THE VISIONARIES

M	408C	Differen And Integral Calculus
M E	302	Intro To Engr Dsgn & Graphics
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**or**

M E	302	Intro To Engr Dsgn & Graphics
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Electrical*

#### THE ACHIEVERS

M	408C	Differen And Integral Calculus
EE	302	Intro Electrical Engineering
EE	306	Introduction To Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**or**

EE	302	Intro Electrical Engineering
EE	306	Introduction To Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### *Multi-disciplinary*

#### INFINITE MOMENTUM

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
M	408C	Differen And Integral Calculus
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**or**

M	408C	Differen And Integral Calculus
EE	302	Intro Electrical Engineering
EE	306	Introduction To Computing
GE	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

MUS	605A	Musicianship
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts
E A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

# College of Liberal Arts

Students in the College of Liberal Arts will find their FIG experience fun and informational. All of the Liberal Arts FIGs satisfy area requirements for the degree. If you would like to enroll in one of the FIGs below, please speak with your advisor during orientation. For more information about FIGs in the College of Liberal Arts, call 471-4271.

## BUSINESS AND MORALITY

UGS	303	Org Corruption And Org Control
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
PHL	304	Contemporary Moral Problems
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## BUSINESS AND SOCIETY

BIO	301D	Bio For Business/law/lib Arts
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
UGS	302	Corporations In Society-w
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## BUSINESS MATTERS

UGS	303	Org Corruption And Org Control
ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## CRITICAL THINKING, CRITICAL LISTENING

MUS	307	History Of Rock Music
CH	304K	Chemistry In Context I
UGS	303	Modes Of Reasoning
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## EXPLORING LIBERAL ARTS

RHE	306	Rhetoric And Writing
M	302	Introduction To Mathematics
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## GENDER, ETHICS, AND SOCIETY

UGS	302	Feminism Now-w
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
PHL	304	Contemporary Moral Problems
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## GLOBAL CITIZENS

UGS	303	America In A Globalizing World
BIO	301C	Biology for Citizens
SOC	308	Intro To Global Religions
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

CH	304K	Chemistry In Context I
AMS	311S	US Culture and Globalization
UGS	303	Our Global Backyard
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## HUMANKIND

UGS	303	Humankind And Nature
GEO	307	Introduction To Oceanography
PHL	302	World Philosophy
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## INTRODUCTION TO AMERICA

AMS	310	Intro To American Studies
ARC	308	Architecture And Society
UGS	303	American Spaces And Places
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION STUDIES

UGS	302	Consumerism in Mod Societies
S	303	Intro Phys Sci I: Mech & Heat
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## INTRODUCTION TO LIBERAL ARTS

RHE	306	Rhetoric And Writing
M	302	Introduction To Mathematics
P S	303	Intro Phys Sci I: Mech & Heat
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## INTRODUCTION TO THE HUMANITIES

UGS	302	Religion and the State-w
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts
PHL	301	Introduction To Philosophy
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## INTRODUCTION TO WESTERN CIVILIZATION

WCV	303	Introduction To Ancient Rome
WCV	303	Competing Visions Of Good Life
WCV	303	Scriptures Of The World As Lit
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## LAW & NATURE

RHE	309K	Topics In Writing-w
UGS	303	Envir Econ For Non-economists
ANT	302	Cultural Anthropology
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### LAW, LOGIC, AND SOCIETY

PHL	312	Introduction To Logic
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
UGS	302	Criminal Law And Morality-w
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### MEDIA STUDIES

RTF	305	Introduction To Media Studies
UGS	303	Journalism And/in Democracy
ARH	301	Introduction To Visual Arts
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### SOCIAL INJUSTICE

UGS	302	Poverty/Inequal In Lat Amer-w
ANT	307	Culture And Communication
GRG	301C	The Natural Environment
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### THE BIG PICTURE

UGS	303	Ideas Of The Twentieth Century
ANT	302	Cultural Anthropology
BIO	301C	Biology For Citizens
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### THE REEL AMERICAN FUTURE

UGS	303	History Of World Cinema
J	310	Critical Issues In Journalism
RHE	309K	Topics In Writing-w
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### WHAT DO I KNOW?

PHL	303M	Mind And Body
BIO	309D	The Human Body
UGS	303	How Do You Know?
LA	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

“FIG is a great way to learn about the many resources on campus. I had no idea about some of the great things UT offers and still would not know if it hadn’t been for my FIG mentor!”

– Allison Horsley, Business Junior

## College of Natural Sciences

**FIGs in Natural Sciences** provide prospective scientists the opportunity to meet one another, to learn more about issues facing science in the 21st century, and to develop strategies for being successful at UT. There are FIGs for all majors, as well as FIGs for students who have not chosen a major. If you would like to be in a FIG, see your academic advisor. For more information, call (512) 471-3796.

*FIGs for students interested in the Biological Sciences And/or The Health Professions (Pre-pharmacy, Pre-med, Pre-vet, Pre-dent And Pre-allied Health):*

### BIOSPHERE

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	205L	Lab Exp Bio: Cell & Molec Bio
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### CELL MATES

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### FUTURE OF BIOLOGY \*\* year-long \*\*

(preference given to students interested in Marine and Fresh-water Biology or Ecology, Evolution and Behavior Biology)

BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### GENETIC REVOLUTION

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
BIO	205L	Lab Exp Bio: Cell & Molec Bio
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR



**SCIENCE MATTERS \*\* year-long \*\***

(preference given to students interested in  
Cell & Molecular Biology or Microbiology)

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
BIO	205L	Lab Exp Bio: Cell & Molec Bio
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION**

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**SURVIVAL OF THE FISTEST**

NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology

**THE SCIENCE OF LIFE \*\* year-long \*\***

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

*For students interested in  
Chemistry/Biochemistry*

**CHEMICAL REACTIONS**

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

*For students interested in Math,  
Physics, or Astronomy*

**CONFIGURATIONS**

ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

*For undeclared students*

**CSI-UT**

PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

*For students interested in Computer Science*

**FIRST BYTE**

C S	305J	Introduction To Computing
C S	301K	Foundations Of Logical Thought
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**INPUT/OUTPUT**

C S	307	Foundations Of Computer Sci
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

*For students interested in Human Ecology*

**HUMAN ECOLOGY: FAMILY STYLE**

(For students interested in Nutrition or Human  
Development and Family Sciences)

PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**WARP & WEFT**

(For students interested in the Textiles & Apparel majors)

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
TXA	205	Textiles
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

*For students interested in Science Research*

**BIOLOGY RESEARCH:****BIOACTIVE**

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	301C	Research Methods
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**BIODIVERSITY**

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	301C	Research Methods
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

**BIOGENESIS**

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	301C	Research Methods
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### CELLULAR MATTERS

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	301C	Research Methods
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### LAB RATS

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	301C	Research Methods
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### CHEMISTRY RESEARCH:

#### BIORHYTHMS

NSC	301C	Research Methods
CH	301H	Principles Of Chem I: Honors
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### MATH, PHYSICS AND/OR ASTRONOMY RESEARCH:

#### FIG NEWTON

NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
SSC	318	Intro Statcl & Scientif Comput

*For students interested in any major who need to prepare for calculus:*

### BIOTAS

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
CH	108	Principles Of Chemistry
M	505G	Elem Functs And Coord Geom-cns
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### PATH TO MATH

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
CH	108	Principles Of Chemistry
M	505G	Elem Functs And Coord Geom-cns
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### POSITIVE INTEGERS

NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
M	505G	Elem Functs And Coord Geom-cns
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
CH	108	Principles Of Chemistry
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I

### SIGNIFICANT FIGURES

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
CH	108	Principles Of Chemistry
M	505G	Elem Functs And Coord Geom-cns
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### UP & ATOM

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
CH	108	Principles Of Chemistry
M	505G	Elem Functs And Coord Geom-cns
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR



## School of Nursing

Welcome to UT and the world of nursing. Students enrolled in a School of Nursing FIG receive academic and social support during their transition to the university environment. Each FIG provides students the opportunity to connect with other nursing majors through enrollment in the same major prerequisite courses and by participating in a fun and informative weekly FIG Seminar. The weekly FIG seminar focuses on developing strategies for success at UT and the School of Nursing.

School of Nursing FIGs in particular will:

- Strengthen academic skills
- Link prerequisite courses to the professional sequence
- Introduce professional and ethical issues related to Nursing (presented by faculty)
- Promote ties to the School of Nursing community through contact with Nursing faculty and upper division nursing students
- AND generally provide activities that will help support you in your work toward admission to upper division

If you are interested in joining a School of Nursing FIG, speak to your academic advisor during summer orientation or call (512) 232-4775 for more information.

### LIFESAVERS

CH	313N	General And Organic Chemistry
N	310	Comm In Health Care Settings
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
N	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### NIGHTINGALES

CH	313N	General And Organic Chemistry
T D	301	Introduction To Theatre
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
N	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## School of Social Work

Welcome to The University! The School of Social Work FIG will help you find a new “home” in the large university. Your FIG classes form the first step in understanding and communicating about the complexity of human behavior and social systems. Your FIG seminar will familiarize you with University resources, introduce you to both faculty and students in the School, and start you on the quest for a wide variety of careers in social work. If you would like to enroll in this FIG, consult with your academic advisor during orientation or call (512) 471- 5457 for more information.

### THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE

S W	310	Intro To Socl Work & Socl Welf
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
BIO	301M	Ecology, Evolution, & Society
S W	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

“I could not imagine a better or easier way to meet people during your first year at UT. I came to Austin alone, with no one from my high school, so it was nice to have a place that not only made the transition to Austin and college life much easier but also allowed me to meet some great, fun, intelligent people who just so happen to have the same interests as me! I would recommend FIG to every incoming freshman or transfer student.”

– Ben Kullerd, RTF Sophomore

## The Texas IP

*restricted to Liberal Arts and  
Natural Science majors*

If you're looking for a way to distinguish yourself and individualize your studies with a degree plan that reflects your passions, the Texas IP is for you. The Texas IP allows you to personalize an interdisciplinary plan by choosing a topic of interest outside your major. You select the topic and you design the series of courses. Along the way you receive ample guidance from an advisor. The IP can be integrated within most existing degree plans, requiring no extra time to complete. For more information, visit <http://www.utexas.edu/tip/TexasIP/> or contact Madison Searle at (512) 232 - 2772.

### GETTING WHAT YOU WANT - TIP

RHE 309S Critical Reading & Persuasive Writing - W  
UGS 001 First-year Interest Group SMNR

### RULES OF THE GAME - TIP

PHL 311 Argument  
UGS 001 First-year Interest Group SMNR

### THE MANUAL - TIP

PHL 311 Argument  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

“I came from a city with a population smaller than UT’s student body; it was very intimidating to say the least. FIG made the campus seem smaller and helped me meet so many other students in the same business classes as me. I learned a lot of valuable information about the campus that I still use today.”

—Joy Wang, Sophomore, Business Sophomore

## Gateway Scholars

Gateway Scholars (GS) FIGs are available to students in the Gateway Scholars Program of the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement. GS FIGs give students the opportunity to get to know other GS students, to connect to many of the activities, events, and resources on campus, and to have a fun and enriching set of classes during your first semester. Each GS FIG is facilitated by a GS staff member and a GS student peer mentor who are committed to making your experience at UT the best it can be! For more information, please contact the Gateway Scholars office at 471-1205.

### GATEWAY SCHOLARS - CRITICAL CENTURY

UGS 303 Ideas Of The Twentieth Century  
L A 302 Tip: Critical Thinking Seminar  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### GATEWAY SCHOLARS - CULTURES COLLIDE

L A 302 Tip: Critical Thinking Seminar  
UGS 302 Cultures in Contact-W  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### GATEWAY SCHOLARS - GLOBAL THINKING

L A 302 Tip: Critical Thinking Seminar  
UGS 303 America In A Globalizing World  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### GATEWAY SCHOLARS - MONEY MATTERS

UGS 303 Your Global Money  
L A 302 Tip: Critical Thinking Seminar  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### GATEWAY SCHOLARS - MOVIE MASTERS

L A 302 Tip: Critical Thinking Seminar  
UGS 303 History Of World Cinema  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### GATEWAY SCHOLARS - ORGANIZE YOUR ORGANIZATION

L A 302 Tip: Critical Thinking Seminar  
UGS 303 Org Corruption And Org Control  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### GATEWAY SCHOLARS - THINK HAPPY THOUGHTS

L A 302 Tip: Critical Thinking Seminar  
UGS 302 Shkespear/Pursuit Happiness  
UGS 001 First-Year Interest Group SMNR



# Transfer Interest Group *Program*

- ◆ Are you a new transfer student at UT?
- ◆ Do you want to make the best of your UT experience?
- ◆ Are you interested in learning more about resources available to students?

If so, then join a TrIG— Transfer Interest Group! They are a great way to get involved in the UT community and network with other transfer students.

If you are interested in joining a TrIG, speak to your advisor during transfer orientation or call the FIG office at (512) 232-3447 to register, before classes begin.



## TRANSFER JUNCTION

For transfer students interested in Fine Arts

E	316K	Masterworks Of Lit: World
F A	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## HORNED MIGRATION

For transfer students interested in Biological Sciences

BIO	318M	Biostatistics
BIO	325	Genetics
EDP	363	Human Sexuality
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## UTRANSITION

For transfer students in the UTransitions program

E	316K	Masterworks Of Lit: American
UGS	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## TRANSFORMERS

For transfer students in the College of Education

ALD	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
KIN	314	Children's Movement
HED	329K	Child, Adolescent, Adult Hlth
ALD	322	Individual Differences

# Residential FIG *Program*

The Residential Freshman Interest Group (ResFIG) program offers a select group of incoming freshmen the opportunity to live with a small group of students with whom they also share classes. Located in Whitis Court and a portion of Duren Hall, this living-learning opportunity is based around community and includes a service component. Registration for this program occurs through the on-campus housing contract. For additional information, please call the FIG office at (512) 232-3447.

**Interesting and rewarding community service projects** are another way the Residential FIG Program makes an impact. Each semester, students work together on activities such as creating a booth for UT's Longhorn Halloween, maintaining the beauty of their living area through the "What Plants Here Changes the World" landscaping project or helping children make crafts at the Austin Fine Arts Festival.



## College of Communication

(Open only to students admitted to the College of Communication.)

### COM-N-SENSE

COM	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR
GRG	305	This Human World: Intro To Grg
ARH	302	Surv Ancient Thru Medieval Art
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills

## College of Engineering

### BLUEPRINT FOR SUCCESS

M	408C	Differen And Integral Calculus
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001F	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### PATHWAYS

M	408C	Differen And Integral Calculus
CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
GE	001F	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### THE RESISTANCE

(Open only to students with a major in Electrical or Computer Engineering.)

E E	302	Intro to Electrical and Computational Engineering
E E	306	Introduction to Computing
G E	001F	First-year Interest Group SMNR

## College of Liberal Arts

### HOT TOPICS IN LIBERAL ARTS

UGS	302	Thinking About Art-w
T D	301	Introduction To Theatre
UGS	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## College of Natural Sciences

### LIVING LEARNING SCIENCE

(Suitable for Biological Sciences and Chemistry majors.)

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
PHL	304	Contemporary Moral Problems
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### WOMEN IN NATURAL SCIENCES

(Open only to students in the college of Natural Sciences.)

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
NSC	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

## Interdisciplinary

(Open to all majors)

### CULTURES AND IDENTITIES

(Most appropriate for Liberal Arts, Business, Communication, Nursing and Social Work students)

UGS	302	Rsch And Writing On Culture-w
UGS	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### ETHICS AND LEADERSHIP

(For all students interested in leadership development.)

BDP	101	Lessons In Ethcl Leadrshp Stds
UGS	302	Persnl/Interpersnl Leadrshp-w
PHL	304	Contemporary Moral Problems
UGS	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### HEALTHY HORNS

(For students interested in pursuing a career in health care)

CH	301	Principles Of Chemistry I
BIO	311C	Introductory Biology I
UGS	302	Drugs In The Media-w
UGS	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### LEADING LONGHORNS

(For all students interested in leadership development.)

PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
BDP	306	Fundmntls Of Ethical Leadrshp
CMS	306M	Professnl Communication Skills
UGS	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE

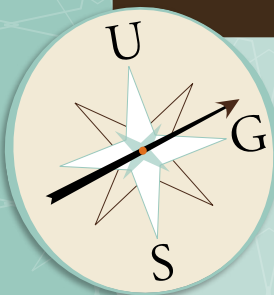
(For all students interested in Business)

ECO	304K	Introduction To Microeconomics
SOC	302	Intro To The Study Of Society
UGS	303	Your Global Money
UGS	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR

### CHILDREN AND SOCIETY

(Most appropriate for Liberal Arts, Business, Communication, Natural Science, Nursing and Social Work students)

HDF	304	Family Relationships
PSY	301	Introduction To Psychology
UGS	302	Young People And Drugs-w
UGS	001	First-Year Interest Group SMNR



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