

Frequently Asked Questions

Technology Awareness Program (TAP) Program Dates: June 18-22, 2017

The Sam M. Walton College of Business at the University of Arkansas is pleased to announce the acceptance of applications for the **2017 Technology Awareness Program (TAP)**.

What is TAP? TAP is a one-week residency program designed to introduce students of color to the field of accounting, finance and computer information systems. The program is designed to demonstrate how business and technology are utilized to assist business organizations in their decision-making process to operate more effectively. Students will have an opportunity to participate in the preparation and presentation of a challenging team project. Additionally, the students will have opportunities to interact with minority professionals from business and government, as well as visit and observe them in their work environment.

Who will teach the classes? University faculty members from the Sam M. Walton College of Business will teach each of the classes: accounting, multimedia, ACCESS/Excel, and communications.

What other activities will students be involved in during the program? Students will attend classes, develop an executive presentation, visit a local company's accounting/information technology division and shadow the professionals, interact with college students from the Walton College, visit the HPER Complex for organized activities, and hear presentations from various professionals on campus (admissions, scholarship office, Walton College Advisement Team).

Who may apply? Each program is open to high school students of color (i.e., Native American, African American, Asian American, and Hispanic/Latino(a)) who will be starting their junior or senior year in the fall 2017. Twenty-five students will be selected to participate in the TAP program.

What is the cost? Students selected to participate in the summer program will receive full scholarships to the program, which covers the cost of tuition, room and board, meals, books and supplies. **Transportation must be arranged by the family.**

Is there an application fee? **Yes. There is a nonrefundable \$40 application fee.** The application fee is due when the student is notified of acceptance to the program. A reduced fee is available for students who can document their inability to pay the enrollment fee. Financial need must be verified by a teacher or counselor. This does not affect a student's eligibility.

What are the requirements to apply? Students must have a **minimum 3.0 GPA**, complete an application, provide a reference (teacher or counselor), and show involvement in school, community, and/or church activities. ACT/SAT test results are required if you have taken either exam. Students applying to the summer program are not required to have taken a business course in high school. However, a student must have an interest in majoring in the business administration field.

What is the deadline? The application must be received by the Office of Diversity & Inclusion by **April 1, 2017**. Students will be notified of their acceptance from the Office of Diversity & Inclusion by **the third week in May 2017**.

Where will students reside? Students are required to live in the residence hall in order to become familiar with living on a college campus.

Who will supervise the students? Students will be supervised by trained college students.

How may applications be submitted? Applications may be downloaded via the link on our website. Please visit <http://waltoncollege.uark.edu/diversity/tap.asp> and click on the TAP Participant Application [link](#). If you have questions, you may call or email Anne Millett (479) 575-4557; amillett@walton.uark.edu.

Can students attend the same program in multiple years? **No.** If you participated in the program in previous years, you are not eligible to submit an application for the 2017 Technology Awareness Program. You may submit an application for the Fleisher Scholars Summer Program

We look forward to working with you in this educational endeavor.