2016-2017 Intellectual Entrepreneurship Accomplishments

Nearly 300 students from 13 UT colleges/schools and 50+ academic disciplines participated in IE’s Pre Grad Internship in 2016-2017. 70%+ were first generation, came from low-income families or were underrepresented students. IE students were paired with over 150 graduate student and faculty mentors. In 2016-2017, 16% of IE students were African American—over 4 times this group’s percentage of the UT student body.

IE students took second place and honorable mention in the 2016 UT Research Showdown.

IE celebrated its 20th anniversary, having served over 7,000 graduate and undergraduate students.

IE received an Excelencia in Education “Badge of Excellence” and IE was spotlighted for being one of the nation’s most successful initiatives for increasing diversity in higher education.

As in prior years, following graduation over 50% of IE students continued to enroll in some of the nation’s premiere graduate schools.
Several IE Pre Grad Internship alumni completed their doctorates and took tenure track faculty positions at top tier universities—including the University of California-Santa Barbara, the University of Colorado, the University of Chicago, the University of Kansas, and others.

Over half of IE Pre Grad Interns conducted original research (many for the first time), participating in numerous UT Research Week events—including the IE Citizen Scholars 7th Annual Research Contest. Dozens presented their research at academic conferences and several published their work.

The influence of UT’s Intellectual Entrepreneurship (IE) initiative continued to expand internationally. Appropriating IE’s stated approach to education in order to foster a culture of research and innovation for female engineers in India, the Center of Research and Intellectual Entrepreneurship (CeRIE) [funded by ANSYS and the Cummins India Foundation], declared: “Intellectual Entrepreneurship is a philosophy and vision of education viewing academics as 'innovators' and 'agents of change.'”

IE was featured in numerous national publications.

IE received additional accolades and endorsements from college and university presidents.

IE partnered with Verizon to mentor underserved and underrepresented high school students from New York City, Philadelphia, Houston, and Detroit to create entrepreneurial ventures.

IE continued its partnership with the St. Edward’s University McNair Scholars program, providing mentorship for dozens of St. Ed’s students.

As part of the ongoing effort of the Intellectual Entrepreneurship Consortium (IE) to collaborate with UT’s colleges and academic units to integrate the IE pedagogy and philosophy of education into subject matter disciplines, for the 4th consecutive year IE delivered a Dean’s Scholars Seminar in the College of Natural Sciences (CNS): "Generation Flux" - Science and Knowledge in the Market and for the Common Good.
For the 2nd consecutive year UT’s Intellectual Entrepreneurship Consortium (IE) partnered with the DiscoverLaw.org Plus program to mentor dozens of underserved and underrepresented UT and Huston-Tillotson students aspiring to careers in law.

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