



# TEX4S

**E4Texas** is a one-year post-secondary program at The University of Texas at Austin that helps students gain educational and practical experience to prepare them for the workforce. The program combines academic learning with hands-on work experience. E4Texas develops students' skills, enhances career readiness, and prepares students for more meaningful lives in the community.

**E4Texas** also teaches students the value of giving back to their community through volunteer work with organizations like Meals on Wheels. Students participate in internships that offer real-world experience across industries to help build professional connections. E4Texas aims to create well-rounded young adults that thrive in their careers and contribute to society.

TOTAL  
GRADUATES  
SINCE 2018



67

E4TEXAS  
EMPLOYEES WITH  
DISABILITIES



57%

NUMBER OF  
INTERNSHIP  
SITES



27

HOURS OF  
FIELD-BASED  
WORK



11,700

EMPLOYMENT  
CERTIFICATIONS  
EACH YEAR



10

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I have three children who have graduated from UT Austin in the past year, and the only one who has found employment is Aidan, who went to E4Texas!

- Veronica, parent

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E4Texas is the first job that has ever accommodated my learning disability; it has dramatically improved my quality of life.

- Meghan, E4Texas employee

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# How E4Texas delivers on promises of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance & Bill of Rights Act

E4Texas is part of the Texas Center for Disabilities Studies, a University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities at the University of Texas at Austin authorized by the DD Act. Programs like E4Texas are critical to supporting the DD Act—aligning directly with the Act's goals set forth by Congress and ensuring Texans with disabilities can lead full, self-determined lives.

## Make informed choices and decisions about their lives

E4Texas provides students with academic coursework, career pathways, and life skills education to build independence and confidence in decision-making.

## Achieve integration by living in communities as full citizens

Students live on campus, participate in community internships, and engage with local volunteer organizations, gaining important life skills to integrate fully and responsibly into community life.



## Pursue meaningful and productive lives

By earning up to 10 career certification and interning 144 hours in the spring semester, students gain marketable skills and career direction.

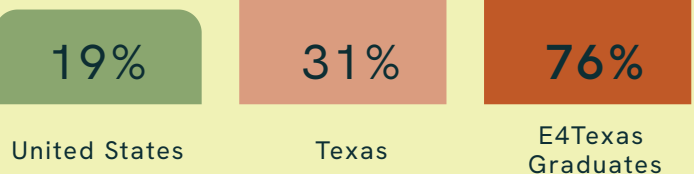
## Contribute to their families, communities, and the nation

E4Texas emphasizes employment readiness and volunteer service, preparing students to be active contributors in a range of fields and roles.

## Live free of abuse, neglect, and exploitation

Through training in self-advocacy, healthy relationships, and independent living, students gain skills to protect themselves—crucial, as people with disabilities face 4 to 10 times higher risk of abuse than those without disabilities.

## Employment Rates for People with Disabilities



Learn more about  
**E4Texas** here.