

**NATIONALLY**

**4 in 10**

low-income students will receive their bachelor's degree within 6 years of starting at a 4-year college.

**AT UT AUSTIN**

**7 in 10**

of these students will receive their diplomas.

**STILL**

these Longhorns graduate at a rate

**13 percentage points lower**

than their high-income peers.

Here's what keeps them from reaching the finish line—and how this initiative will build on a strong foundation of support at UT Austin to help these students succeed.



## FINANCIAL CHALLENGES

For a student that is struggling to make ends meet, it can be difficult to focus on school—not to mention the challenges of balancing a job alongside a rigorous course load.

One-on-one coaching builds students' financial literacy and helps them maximize the impact of their financial aid and make sound financial decisions.

Students with the greatest level of financial need will become Dell Scholars, receiving a \$20,000 scholarship over their time in college. For Texas residents, that funding will come on top of the University's Texas Advance Commitment, which guarantees aid to cover the full cost of tuition and fees for Texas families earning \$65,000 or less.



## FAMILY COMMITMENTS

Students are balancing college with family commitments, from contributing to the household financially to caregiving for siblings, family members, or their own children.

UT for Me offers personalized support tailored to each student's circumstances, like coaching to help them balance family and school commitments.



## EMOTIONAL STRUGGLES

Anxiety and mental health challenges are on the rise among college students who may be unsure where to turn for support.

The program offers counseling and educational resources to equip students for success in college.



## COLLEGE TRANSITION

Navigating the college landscape, living away from home for the first time, and building new relationships can be challenging.

The program provides fundamental resources for college success, including a laptop, textbook credits, and tutoring support if needed.

Advisors proactively engage with students based on indicators of risk, to provide students with the resources and support system they need.



## LIFE HAPPENS

Whether it's a medical emergency or urgent family issue, personal crises can derail a student's college plans.

Students are eligible for emergency funds to make sure that a minor financial crisis doesn't mark the end of a student's college journey.

From personal coaching to reevaluating degree plans, advisors are available to help students keep their college plans on track.