



2020 DALLAS/FORT WORTH ACAP FINAL REPORT

Sixty-three (63) high school students applied to DFW ACAP by the April 30, 2020 deadline date.

However, due to COVID-19, the DFW ACAP Leadership Team decided to postpone the weeklong residency (onsite) camps at Southern Methodist University (SMU) in June and the inaugural program at Texas Christian University (TCU) in July as previously planned. In lieu of those onsite programs, DFW ACAP provided the following alternatives:

- Included the 2020 ACAP applicants (47 freshmen through juniors) on the ACAP Distribution List for upcoming ACAP Monthly e-Newsletters to encourage their continued interest in ACAP for Summer 2021.
- Offered scholarships to those 2020 graduating seniors (16) who applied to ACAP by the April 30, 2020 deadline date and met the established ACAP Scholarship criteria.
- Offered a 1-1/2day virtual program for those 2020 graduating seniors (16) who applied to ACAP by the April 30, 2020 deadline date.

The students came from 33 different high schools. The average GPA was **3.64**; the highest being 5.41. Other demographics of the applicant pool were as follows:

Dallas ACAP	46
TCU ACAP	17
Total	63

Females	36
Males	27
Total	63

African American	41
Asian	2
Hispanic	17
Other	3
Total	63

Freshmen	9
Sophomores	14
Juniors	24
Seniors	16
Total	63

2020 DALLAS/FORT WORTH ACAP CLASS

- A 1-1/2-day virtual College Readiness Workshop and ACAP Scholarship opportunities were offered to those 16 graduating seniors who applied to ACAP by the April 30, 2020 deadline. **Eleven (11)** of the 16 students were accepted into the program. The students viewed the virtual workshop experience as an integral part of preparing to succeed in college and beyond.
- See highlights at <http://www.dallasacap.com/virtual-program-highlights.html>.

The average GPA was **3.82** (highest being 4.52) for the 2020 ACAP Class and included:

- Eight African Americans and three Hispanics
- Four males and seven females

Name	High School	Intended Major	Career Aspiration
Alexandra Sandoval	Trimble Tech HS	Business	Financial Manager
Christany McCarter	Cedar Hill Collegiate HS	Accounting	Forensic Accounting
Corian McGowan	Eastern Hills HS	Computer Science	Computer Engineer; Philanthropist
Dejia Ramzy	Desoto High School	Business	CFO—Healthcare Facility
Demarre Johnson	Townview Magnet	Accounting/Finance	CPA/Investment Banker
Jalen Chadwick	All Saints Episcopal School	Pre-Business/Finance	Portfolio Manager
Janyece Hamilton	Cedar Hill HS	Social Work	Psychotherapist
Kaliah Williams	Desoto High School	Business Information System	Accounting Educator
Martin Albarran	South Hills HS	Finance/Accounting	Financial Role in the Community
Oyindamola Ademola	James Bowie HS	Economics/Political Science	Corporate Lawyer
Vivian Adesanya	Cedar Hill Collegiate HS	Accounting	Corporate Lawyer

College professors and guest lecturers facilitated inspiring and interactive technical sessions. Click [here](#) for the Curriculum Guide.

Wayne Rowe, CPA, SMU summa cum laude graduate and 2004 Dallas ACAP Alum was the Closing Session Keynote Speaker. Wayne is currently the Director—Office of the CEO for The Beck Group. See list of other guest speakers and their bios [here](#).



ACAP SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to this year's scholarship recipients. Scholarships were awarded to ACAP students who completed the ACAP application and met the following criteria:

- Eligibility requirements
- Character, leadership, and service
- 500-word essay
- Overall application quality
- Interview

A total of **\$30,000** in scholarships were awarded consisting of the following:

- \$10,000 Dallas ACAP; \$10,000 TCU ACAP (student must be enrolled at and attend TCU)
- \$10,000 SMU's Nora O'Garro/Odell Brown ACAP Scholarship (for graduate students)

Name	Scholarship Type	Amount	Enrolled College
Alexandra Sandoval	Texas Christian University	\$1,000	Texas Christian University
Christany McCarter	NABA Western Region; ACAP	\$1,500	University of North Texas
Corian McGowan	Ross Scott Memorial Scholarship; ACAP	\$1,500	Grambling State Univ.
Dejia Ramzy	ACAP	\$2,000	Texas Woman's University
Demarre Johnson	EY LLP; ACAP	\$2,000	Babson College
Jalen Chadwick	Texas Christian University	\$1,000	Texas Christian University
Janyece Hamilton	ACAP	\$1,000	Philander Smith College
Oyindamola Ademola	Texas Christian University	\$8,000	Texas Christian University
Vivian Adesanya	KPMG LLP	\$2,000	University of Texas at Austin
Ashlee Jones	Nora O'Garro/Odell Brown Scholarship	\$10,000	Southern Methodist University

ACAP Scholarship recipients were graduating high school seniors at the time they applied to ACAP and must show proof of becoming NABA Student Members before the scholarship dollars are disbursed to them.

SMU SCHOLARSHIP

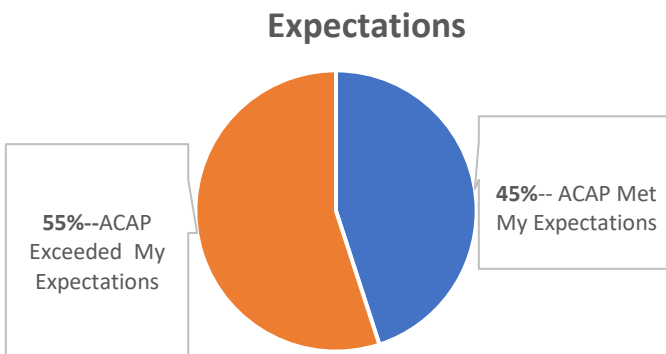
SMU Cox School of Business is furthering its commitment to diversity and inclusion through the newly established Nora O'Garro/Odell Brown ACAP Scholarship. The new scholarship is awarded to all Dallas ACAP alumni who enroll in SMU Cox's nine-month Master of Science in Accounting program, regardless of where they completed their undergraduate degree. ***"It increases our outreach by bringing these students back to SMU, and back to Cox, to participate in our graduate program,"*** says Steve Denson, SMU Cox's Director of Diversity. Ashlee Jones, a 2015 and 2016 Dallas ACAP alumna, was named as the new scholarship's first recipient earlier this summer. ***"Dallas ACAP was my first time being surrounded by a large amount of minority students who had goals similar to mine,"*** Jones says. ***"ACAP helped develop my leadership skills. This scholarship will help alleviate some of my graduate student loans and will help me focus less on working to pay for school and more on excelling in the program."*** Click [here](#) for more information on the SMU scholarship.

OTHER MONETARY AWARDS

Monetary awards were given to those students who met the requirements for the awards, including completion of required work and demonstration of desirable attributes. Those students receiving such awards included:

Top Award: New Students	Oyindamola Ademola	\$75.00
Top Award: Returning Students	Janyece Hamilton	\$75.00
Most Enthusiastic	Demarre Johnson	\$25.00
Most Inspirational (3-way tie)	Oyindamola Ademola	\$25.00
	Janyece Hamilton	\$25.00
	Corian McGowan	\$25.00

OVERALL SATISFACTION



“I hope that as ACAP has invested in my future that I can one day be an asset to you. Until then, I will work to help other students achieve their goals just as ACAP has done for me. Thank you for helping my visions become a reality”. –Vivian Adesanya

“I will continue to grow and accomplish my endeavors in college and in life. If any other opportunities come up in the future that you feel I would be a strong candidate for, please do not hesitate to contact me. That goes for job shadowing, career guidance, internships, scholarships, and invitations to any events. I am grateful and I appreciate you adding to my future”. –Corian McGowan

For more survey results, click [here](#).

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- Southern Methodist University
- Texas Christian University
- Antioch Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church
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- NABA Western Region
- Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter of NABA

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MORE ABOUT ACAP

ACAP began in 1980 when NABA recognized the need for a program that would direct African Americans and other minorities towards the accounting and finance profession. The primary objective of ACAP is to increase the understanding of accounting and business career opportunities among high school students from underrepresented ethnic groups. Through ACAP's efforts, students receive educational enrichment experiences and practical help needed for college preparation and a career in accounting. To learn more information about National ACAP, visit www.nabainc.org/acap. For more about DFW ACAP, visit www.dallasacap.com.