"Lifting As We Climb"

Accounting Career Awareness Program (ACAP)

The primary objective of Accounting Career Awareness Program (ACAP) is to increase the understanding of accounting and business opportunities among high school students (all grade levels) from underrepresented ethnic groups. The program is **FREE** to students.

Dallas ACAP is a one-week residency program for high school students interested in a career in business. Held at Southern Methodist University (SMU), the program introduces students to accounting, finance, economics and management through a focused, undergraduate-level program taught by college faculty and guest lecturers from business and government. During the week, students have the opportunity to attend classes on careers in accounting and business, personal development and college preparation and tour college campuses, local companies, and CPA firms. The program concludes with the students inviting their parent(s) or guardian(s) to a luncheon or banquet in commemoration of their completion of the program at the end of the week. Since inception in 2001, 723 students have graduated from the program.

The 2017 Application Period is January 2, 2017 – April 28, 2017. Dallas ACAP 2017 will be held on the campus of SMU during the week **June 25-30, 2017**. Our goal is 60 students.

For the **online application** and other requirements, please visit the Dallas ACAP website at www.dallasacap.com. For the ACAP video see: **http://youtu.be/onehUcZbI6I.**

NABA Pipeline

In a nutshell, ACAP provides a pipeline for high school students as they matriculate through college and enter the accounting or other business-related fields.

High School

- Introduction to Careers in Accounting & Business
- Exposure to College Life
- Exposure to Business Professionals
- Networking Opportunities
- Group Projects
- Mentoring Opportunities
- Scholarships
- Interactions with other High School Students
- Targeted Curriculum

College

- Internships/Job Opportunities
- Interviews & Interviewing Skills Workshops
- Exposure to Accounting & Business Careers
- Exposure to Business Professionals
- Networking Opportunities
- Mentoring Opportunities
- Scholarships
- Seminars & Workshops

Professional

- Career Opportunities in Accounting & Business
- Exposure to Big 4 & Other Firms
- Exposure to Seasoned Business Professionals
- Mentoring Opportunities
- Exposure to Various Industries & Working Environments
- Consideration for Positions on Corporate & Non-Profit Boards
- Unlimited Opportunities in Technical & Skills Training

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