



STUDENT LIFE



LEARN, LEAD, SERVE

We provide opportunities for students to learn, lead, and serve. Everywhere you go on Rocky Top, you will see Volunteers serving the community, getting involved on campus, and gaining the critical experience required to succeed beyond graduation.



WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT OUR STUDENTS

CliftonStrengths

TOP 5 CLIFTON STRENGTHS: UNDERGRAD



RELATOR



ACHIEVER



POSITIVITY



EMPATHY



DEVELOPER



DESIGNING FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Undergraduate students' strengths point to opportunities to design experiences that build relationships, create meaningful ways to contribute and foster a strong sense of connection to the Volunteer community.

Build Relationships and Belonging

Relator, Empathy and Developer reinforce the value of authentic relationships, mentorship and communities where students feel known, supported and connected to others.

Create Purpose and Visible Progress

Achiever points to the importance of clear goals, meaningful roles and opportunities for students to recognize their progress, contributions and accomplishments.

Make the Experience Engaging

Positivity reinforces the value of welcoming, energizing experiences that invite participation, celebrate students and make involvement feel rewarding.

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LEARNER



DESIGNING FOR GRADUATE STUDENT SUCCESS

Graduate students' strengths point to opportunities to design experiences that combine meaningful relationships, visible progress and continued intellectual and professional growth.

Create Connection and Community

Relator, Developer and Empathy suggest the value of personalized experiences, trusted relationships, mentorship and communities where graduate students can support and learn from one another.

Make Progress Visible and Meaningful

Achiever points to the importance of clear goals, purposeful opportunities and milestones that allow graduate students to recognize progress and accomplishment.

Build Opportunities for Continued Growth

Learner reinforces the value of experiences that encourage exploration, skill development and ongoing learning—both within students' academic disciplines and beyond them.



TRANSFORMATIVE EXPERIENCES

TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING

We create opportunities to turn classroom knowledge into real-world application, equipping students for professional futures in any field they choose.



1,289 students
employed by the Division of
Student Life



DEVELOPING LEADERS

We are the student advocate, the mentor that develops the emerging leader.



1,812 unique students engaged in leadership roles in 2025-2026.



550 student organizations.



10,420+ students are members of 50 Greek organizations.



SERVING THE COMMUNITY

We connect with community partners to engage students, faculty, and staff in service, giving back to our local and global community.



Vols served their community
63,507
times this year, completing
203,080 hours.



ENGAGING STUDENTS

We create opportunities for students to connect, build community, and engage in the Volunteer experience beyond the classroom.



26,000+ students
attended 3,414 campus
events in 2025-26.



TENNESSEE SATURDAY NIGHT

Creating a signature welcome-back experience that brings students together, fosters meaningful connections, strengthens community, and creates opportunities for transformative engagement.





TRANSFORMATIVE SUPPORT

HELPING STUDENTS THRIVE

We help students discover their personalized strengths and pursue growth throughout their college experience.

Since 2022, the number of students who agree or strongly agree with the statement "I believe that I matter and belong at UT." has increased from 69.5% to 84.8% according to data from the annual Student Experience Survey.



SUPPORTING STUDENTS

We create intentional pathways to access support and well-being resources that elevate the success of every Volunteer.



Students utilized support and resources from the Center for Basic Needs 55,000+ times in 2025-26.



Student Health Center supported 28,517 students through clinic visits, health and illness/community health support, and triage services.



10,442 students received services through the Student Counseling Center, reaching nearly 26% of UT's total student enrollment.



RecSports recorded more than 32,000 program participations across fitness, aquatics, outdoor recreation, club sports, and intramural programs.





TRANSFORMATIVE SPACES

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Presidential Court Building

Aramark, Center for Basic Needs, E-Sports Complex, Multimedia Lounge, Off-Campus Student Life, Student Life Technology, Sorority & Fraternity Life.



Student Union Eastside Plaza

Creates a grand, new entrance to the Student Union with space for food trucks and a stage with terraced lawn seating.



Torchbearer Hall

Capacity: 1,028 beds

Includes UT Creamery on the first floor, located in the heart of campus, close to academic buildings.





CULTIVATING THE VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

We cultivate the Volunteer experience every day
through our programs, spaces, and resources.



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