



**HWNT Dallas Chapter  
Latinas in Progress© Education Series Seminar  
Student Packet  
2019-2020**



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Interested Students:

Thank you for your interest in the **Latinas in Progress© Education Seminar Series (LIP/ESS)** sponsored by the Hispanic Women's Network of Texas (HWNT) Dallas Chapter. This information packet has the details about the education series to which we are inviting you to participate. HWNT has a genuine commitment to educating young women and we want the participants of our series to continue their education after graduating high school.

**Are you eligible for this program?**

Young women entering 9th through 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall 2018 are encouraged to apply. Students everywhere are eligible to participate, regardless of their place of residence. Criterion for selection is based on academic performance, extra-curricular activities, community service, and student commitment is equally important. HWNT seeks Seniors with minimum GPA requirement; and wish to obtain a higher education and are capable with appropriate support and mentoring.

Interested students must submit an application to the program by the announced deadline of **October 18, 2019**. Once accepted, students will receive an acceptance letter. Participation in all mandatory seminars of the program is expected from each student. Refer to the timeline in this packet for more information on the seminars.

**Benefits to you:**

- Access to the best academic institutions in the area, with exclusive 'Latinas in Progress' only campus tours.
- Information about scholarships and special programs from different organizations, corporations, colleges, and universities.
- Participating senior students are eligible to apply for HWNT's scholarships/awards for college in 2020.
- Enrollment into the MANA Hermanitas® Mentorship program for coaching and guidance throughout the year.
- Invitation to HWNT's events and community events including government, civic, and professional organizations in the area.
- Interaction with other young Latina leaders.

**Scholarships:**

Participating senior students who attend all four mandatory seminars are eligible to apply for scholarships. Scholarships are awarded based on seminar participation, academic performance, intended university and financial need. An average of 5 scholarships is awarded every academic year and awards range from \$500 to \$5,000. Scholarship winners are strongly encouraged to participate in student panels during the seminar series the year after their graduation to encourage students to continue their educational endeavors. To ensure the integrity of the program, scholarship awards require students to be enrolled in college and matriculation is verified at the bursar's office.

**Mentorship:**

As a participant, you have access to established professional women who serve as mentors during the duration of the program. Mentorship relationships foster confidence, allow learning through role modeling, and offer valuable advice and support to participants. Mentors interact and communicate with mentees to ensure retention in our program and aid with college preparation.

***We encourage you to apply only if you can commit to attend at least three sessions (Orientation is Mandatory and parents are encouraged to join you).***

This is a premier program and we want to ensure accepted applicants will take full advantage. Do not hesitate to contact us at [hwntlip@gmail.com](mailto:hwntlip@gmail.com) should you have further questions about our education program.

Cordially,  
Ana Christa Robles, HWNT Chair



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Dear Parent(s):

Your daughter may be eligible to participate in the **Latinas in Progress© Education Seminar Series (LIP/ESS)**. The Hispanic Women's Network of Texas (HWNT), Dallas Chapter developed the program **Latinas in Progress© Education Seminar Series (LIP/ESS)** which is designed to encourage young women in high school to explore higher education through learning experiences that provide information and access to opportunity, financial resources.

**Background**

In 1989, the Dallas Chapter of HWNT created the LIP/ESS program with the aid of a grant from the Women's Center of Dallas. Administered by members, the Education Seminar Series has become the flagship program of the Dallas Chapter and has been incorporated into all of the HWNT chapters throughout the state of Texas.

**Description of the Program**

HWNT-Dallas' education seminar series strives to familiarize participants with college life and the tools to succeed in their personal and professional life. The Education Seminar Series is a series of free seminars hosted at local universities and colleges. LIP/ESS is designed to encourage young women to stay in school and continue on to college. In addition to helping students prepare for college, the program also incorporates detailed sessions about financial aid opportunities and career exploration. The seminars are designed to build leadership skills, life skills, and personal development through the use of workshops. Finally, the students are exposed to positive role models through career panels, student panels and mentorship.

**Requirements for Student Acceptance to the Program**

Young woman entering **10th through 12th grade** in the Fall 2019 are encouraged to apply. Students must be enrolled in high school. Interested students must submit an application and a parental consent form to the program by the announced deadline. Once accepted, students will receive an acceptance letter. Participation in all of the sessions of the program is expected from each student. Criterion for selection is based on academic performance, extra-curricular activities, community service, and student commitment is equally important. HWNT seeks students who wish to obtain a higher education and are capable with appropriate support and mentoring.

**Scholarships**

Senior students who attend all mandatory seminars are eligible for scholarships. To receive a scholarship the student must submit an application by the deadline set in the Spring 2020. Scholarships are awarded based on seminar participation, academic performance, intended university and financial need. An average of 5 scholarships is awarded every academic year and awards range from \$500 to \$5,000.

**Mentorship:**

Participants have access to established professional women as mentors during the duration of the program. Mentorship relationships foster confidence, allow learning through role modeling, and offer valuable advice and support to participants. Mentors interact and communicate with mentees to ensure retention in our program and aid with college preparation.

**Universities and College Institutions**

Typically, seminars are held on Saturdays on the campus of a community college or university. Host colleges and universities have the opportunity to interact with college candidates and allow them to tour their facilities and learn about their programs.

The seminars usually start at **8:00 a.m. and go through 1:00 p.m.**, at the latest. Breakfast and activities are provided free to the student. **Students are to provide their own transportation, so please encourage your daughter to arrive safely and on time to each session. There will be transportation available to session which occur outside of the DFW area.**

Seminars have been held in a variety of institutions such as:

**Southern Methodist University/University of Dallas, Irving, Tx/University of Texas at Dallas/University of Texas at Arlington/Texas Woman's University/ Texas A&M Commerce/Dallas County Community Colleges**

Your support is imperative for your daughter to be able to complete the series successfully. University locations for the sessions will be disclosed upon acceptance to LIP/ESS and announced on the HWNT website, [www.hwnt.org/dallas](http://www.hwnt.org/dallas). This is a premier program and we want to ensure accepted applicants will take full advantage of it. You can also find us on Facebook as HWNT Latinas in Progress Dallas Education Seminar Series.

We will share more information about upcoming sessions once we enroll all participants. Do not hesitate to contact us at [hwntlip@gmail.com](mailto:hwntlip@gmail.com), should you have further questions about our education seminar series.

## **Latinas in Progress© Education Series**

**2019-2020 THEME**  
**SHEro: Brave and Bold**

<b>October 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Seminar – BE BRAVE (Orientation with Parent)</b> University of Texas at Dallas (Richardson, TX)
<b>November 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Seminar – BE BOLD</b> Texas Woman's University (Denton, TX)
<b>January 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Seminar – BE PRESENT</b> Southern Methodist University (Dallas, TX)
<b>March 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Seminar – BELONG</b> Baylor University (Dallas TX) TBD
<b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Scholarship Applications are Due</b>
<b>May 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Graduation and Scholarship Ceremony</b> Recipients will be notified at the awards ceremony

**APPLICATIONS DUE: October 18<sup>th</sup>**

Follow the link to access the application:

<https://forms.gle/QLCxejYmJUmNCCUC6>



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PARENT / GUARDIAN APPROVAL / RELEASE FORM
REQUIRED FOR STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN SERIES

Date

Name of Student's High School

Name of Student is my child and is now under my control and is in my custody.

Time of the trip: 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (DFW Area) or 6:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Out of DFW Area)

Dates and Times of Sites to be visited:

- October 26th 1st Seminar - BE BRAVE (Orientation) University of Texas at Dallas (Richardson, TX)
November 16th 2nd Seminar - BE BOLD Texas Woman's University (Denton, TX)
January 25th 3rd Seminar - BE PRESENT Southern Methodist University (Dallas, TX)
March 7th 4th Seminar - BELONG Baylor University (Dallas TX) TBD
May 8th Graduation and Scholarship Ceremony

I desire my child to participate in the Hispanic Women's Network of Texas - Dallas Chapter (HWNT) Latinas in Progress Education Seminar Series in any and all activities. I agree that in allowing my child to go on this trip that I will hold the Hispanic Women's Network of Texas-Dallas Chapter, its officers, State board, volunteers, Dallas Independent School District, Carrollton-Farmers Branch Independent School District, Irving Independent School District or any other Independent School District my child attends, Trustees, Superintendent, Principals, Teacher, employees and any other persons assisting with any phase of such trip and Education Seminar Series harmless from any and all liability, claims, and responsibility for making such trip and activities. I further release all of these parties from liability by reason of any accident or injury that might occur while on the trip or participating in such activity.

I, the undersigned, authorize Hispanic Women's Network of Texas, HWNT, to take photograph(s) or digital recording(s) of my child and consent to the use of any of these in any and all media for promotional purposes including, but not limited to, advertising; audiovisual; editorial; exhibition; media relations; posters; publications and web. I understand and agree that I will not receive any payment for my time or expenses or any royalty for the publication of the photograph(s), or digital recording(s), and I hereby release HWNT and/or any parties designated by HWNT, from the payment of any such claims. I understand that photographs and/or videos may be downloaded, used, reproduced, and/or altered without consent by unknown users of the HWNT website, and that this is beyond HWNT's control.

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Emergency Telephone No.

Address