



Hispanic Student Leadership Summit 2020 FAQ



Q. What is the Hispanic Student Leadership Summit?

The Hispanic Student Leadership Summit, sponsored by Google in partnership with the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) and Computing Alliance of Hispanic Serving Institutions (CAHSI), will gather students from across the US including Puerto Rico for a two-day summit in Austin, Texas. Now in its fourth year, this summit was created as an effort to bring Latinx leaders together to share innovative and creative best practices with one another, as well as collaborate with Google's Latinx leadership to benefit your university, student organizations, and communities.

Q. Where is the summit?

The summit sessions will take place at Google's office in downtown Austin, Texas with activities planned in the Austin area.

Q. When is the summit?

The summit will be on Friday, April 17th and Saturday, April 18th. Please note that you must also be available on Thursday, April 16th and Sunday, April 19th for travel to and from Austin which we will arrange for you if you are selected.

Q. I'm only available to attend for some of the days, can I still apply?

Due to space constraints, we are limiting attendance only to those who can commit to being available for the entirety of the summit. This commitment includes the travel days to and from Austin (Thursday, April 16th - Sunday, April 19th).

Q. Why should I attend the summit?

Attending the summit will allow you to meet and network with other student leaders from across the country who are as passionate as you are! You'll also have opportunities to collaborate with Googlers from a variety of engineering teams on developing solutions to increasing representation of the Latinx community in tech and how to best grow and leverage your leadership skills as a technologist.

Q. Who can apply?

Any undergraduate student currently enrolled in a degree-granting program in the United States including Puerto Rico is welcome to apply.

Q. Do I need to identify as Hispanic/Latinx to apply?

No. The application is open to all qualified students who meet the criteria.

Q. I am a graduate student. Can I attend?

Unfortunately, this particular event is for undergraduate students only. Masters and PhD students are encouraged to check out Google's [Build Your Future](#) site for an up-to-date listing of other opportunities.

Q. What majors and grade levels can attend?

All majors are eligible to apply but preference will be given to students studying Computer Science, Computer Engineering, or other Engineering related majors. Undergraduate students in all grade levels are welcome to apply.

Q. I am currently attending a two-year university, can I apply?

Yes! While not a requirement to apply, if your future plans include transitioning to a four-year B.A. or B.S. program please make sure that is reflected in your resume that you will upload as part of your application.

Q. Can professionals who are in college apply?

Provided that you are enrolled in a degree-granting program you are eligible.

Q. I'm an international student studying in the US, can I apply?

Yes! International undergraduate students studying in the US and Puerto Rico are eligible to apply.

Q. What GPA preference are you looking for?

This event has no minimum GPA requirement but you must be in good standing with your university.

Q. Is there a minimum age to apply?

Yes, you must be 18 or over by Thursday, April 16th, 2020.

Q. What expenses will Google cover?

Acceptance to the summit includes financial sponsorship for travel and accommodations. Sponsorship includes a round-trip flight to Austin, Texas (from within the US or Puerto Rico), Lyft credits for ground transportation to and from the airport and the hotel, hotel accommodations from April 16th - 19th (3 nights) and all meals during the summit.

Q. How would I get to Austin?

We will be paying and arranging your transportation. After you've been selected a member of our team will reach out with information on securing your flight (if required).

Q. Where will we be staying?

We will be housing all students at a downtown hotel in close proximity to the Google Austin office close to many downtown attractions and amenities. Precise details will be shared after students have been selected.

Q. I require special accommodations, can Google help?

Of course! At Google, we don't just accept difference - we celebrate it, we support it, and we thrive on it for the benefit of our employees, our products and our community. Google is proud to be an equal opportunity workplace and is an affirmative action employer. If you have a disability or special need that requires accommodation, please let us know by emailing hsls2020@google.com. We have a team dedicated to making sure you have the accommodations you need.

Q. I have class on Thursday and Friday. Can Google provide an excuse note?

Yes. Once we've determined our summit attendees, we will provide such documentation as needed.

Q. What can I expect in terms of the agenda and sessions?

The agenda includes breakout discussions, keynote speakers, networking with the Hispanic Google Network, HACU, and CAHSI - as well as student presentations, and a unique celebration for Summit attendees!

Q. When will I know if I am selected?

We are aiming to notify you as soon as possible after the application closes on March 1st. The first round of decisions will be sent out by March 9th via email.

Q. My question is not listed who do I contact with questions?

Feel free to reach out to the summit planning team at hsls2020@google.com.