

Engage Leadership Team

The Engage Leadership Team (ELT) is a team of upperclass engineering students committed to providing positive experiences and support for first-year engineering students living in the Engage LLC. Members of the ELT are current engineering students who understand the challenges of being a first year student in an engineering program. The ELT members are committed to the following primary responsibilities:

- ★ Serve as a connection (mentor) to first year students in the Engage LLC
- ★ Encourage and support academic achievement
- ★ Provide personal and professional development opportunities
- ★ Give back to the UTK and Knoxville community through structured community service and outreach
- ★ Provide a strong sense of community and support through social activities
- ★ Be positive and visible

Each member of the ELT will:

1. Periodically check-in with their LLC mentees
2. Staff Study Session Hours
3. Serve on one ELT committee
4. Enroll in EF302, our 1-hour leadership course, which includes our Sunday training day the first week of classes and weekly or monthly meetings.

ELT Mentoring

The first year of college is difficult for any student. Pursuing a challenging curriculum such as engineering adds to the complexity and difficulty many students experience in their first year. In an effort to provide support to first year students in the Engage LLC, all ELT members will be assigned a subset of Engage LLC students that they'll meet at our engage kickoff event and contact on scheduled intervals throughout the year. The purpose of connecting ELT members (mentors) with assigned Engage LLC students (mentees) is to provide a connection for mentees to seek support and ask questions of a peer that has already been through the first year experience. Any face to face meetings should be conducted in group settings to insure the safety and comfort of all involved. Mentoring training will be provided.

ELT Study Hours

To provide a common time and place for Engage LLC members to seek help from ELT members, ELT members will staff office hours in the engage LLC dorm. Each ELT member will co-staff one 90 minute office hour session every 3 to 4 weeks.

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ELT Committees

ELT committees will have the primary responsibility for programming in the Engage LLC. ELT members participate in one committee each semester. Event coordination includes room reservations, food and supply provisions, sign-ups, advertising and staffing.

Academic Support Committee (ASC) programming:

- lead study review sessions for the larger engineering courses (EF 151/141 in Fall & EF 152/142 in Spring) before each module exam
- organize Honors (EF157/158) study groups
- other courses that could be supported may include (but are not limited to) EF 105, Calculus, and Chemistry

Personal/Professional Development -- Outreach/Service Committee (PPD / OSC) programming:

- coordinate a field trip
- assist with advertising and tracking student's attendance at TCE Office of Professional Practice sponsored events, particularly those before the Engineering Expo
- coordinate an informational event regarding undergraduate research and/or career prep
- coordinate a community service event
- coordinate a mental health boosting event during finals
- assist with advertising and attendance tracking for the Center for Career Development & Academic Exploration's TCE Major Focused Alumni Panels Fall event.

Social Activities Committee (FUN) programming:

- coordinate an off-campus fun event
- coordinate an on-campus fun event
- coordinate an in-dorm fun event
- assist with attendance tracking and advertising for the FestiVOL event in Fall
- facilitate distribution of food/snacks for ASC exam reviews.

EF 302, ELT Leadership Training Course

ELT members will be enrolled in EF302, the ELT Leadership Course. As part of the course, all ELT members participate in the Sunday Training Day led by ELT faculty liaison Dr Biegalski. (This will take place the Sunday before or after classes begin.) and meet 1-4 times per month for leadership skill building, LLC programming planning, and to discuss concerns of the community. As part of the course grade, ELT members complete reading assignments and weekly online progress checks. ELT members can earn course credit for each semester they enroll in the course.

Scholarships

After one year of service, returning ELT members that commit to a leadership role in the ELT may be eligible for a \$1000 ELT scholarship, subject to the availability of funds.