

LEDA is a national, nonprofit organization dedicated to diversifying the national leadership pipeline by enabling high-achieving students from low-income backgrounds to gain admission to and succeed at our nation's most selective colleges. By helping qualified students access these institutions, we seek to ensure that our nation's leaders are truly reflective of its citizenry.

The LEDA Scholar Profile

- Top 10% of your class
- Unweighted GPA of 3.6
- Enrolled in the most rigorous courses available
- Highly motivated and involved
- U.S. citizen, Permanent Resident, or DACA status
- Socioeconomically underrepresented*

**90% of LEDA Scholars report a family income of less than \$66,000.*

About Our Scholars



83% are enrolled at a Most Competitive college



Average college tuition of **\$3,700** for LEDA Cohort 12 Scholars



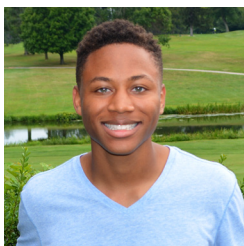
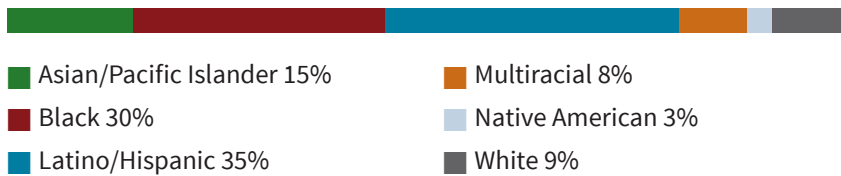
67% are first-generation college students



96% of LEDA Scholars graduate college within six years.



LEDA Scholars come from **48 States.**



“No other program prepares you for college the way that LEDA does. You not only get access to world-class instructors; you also join a community that will last a lifetime.”

– **JALEN**
Conover, NC • LEDA Cohort 13

Apply Now — Deadline: December 12

ledascholars.org/application

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SEPT. '17 – APR. '18

Recruitment & Admission

Each year, LEDA recruits 100 qualified high school juniors who show leadership potential but may lack the exposure and support needed to apply to selective colleges.

JUN. '18 – AUG. '18

Summer Institute

FREE, seven-week summer program hosted at Princeton University includes:

- ACT/SAT prep
- Leadership training
- Writing classes
- College trips and counseling
- Community building

JUN. '18 – JUN. '19

College Guidance

Personalized support includes:

- One-on-one counseling
- Letters of recommendation
- Feedback on application essays
- Covering all fees related to the college application process
- Support applying for financial aid and scholarships

JUN. '19 – GRADUATION

College Success

Continuing support through college and beyond including:

- Academic and career counseling
- Peer mentoring
- Networking
- Internship and job opportunities
- Community events

College Enrollment 2017

As classified by Barron's
Profiles of American Colleges



Ivy League	32%
Most Competitive	51%
Highly Competitive	5%
Very Competitive	7%
Competitive/Other	5%

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Brown University	24
Columbia University	10
Cornell University	9
Dartmouth College	15
Harvard University	33
Princeton University	115
University of Pennsylvania	20
Yale University	30

MOST COMPETITIVE 409

Amherst College	10
Barnard College	12
Boston College	12
Boston University	1
Bowdoin College	2
Brandeis University	1
Bryn Mawr College	5
Carleton College	2
Carnegie Mellon University	6
Case Western Reserve	2
Colgate University	5
Colorado College	1
Davidson College	12
Duke University	6
Emory University	7
Franklin & Marshall College	2
Georgetown University	35
Harvey Mudd College	1
Haverford College	5
Johns Hopkins University	11
Lehigh University	1
Lewis and Clark College	1
Macalester College	2
MIT	18
Middlebury College	9
Mount Holyoke College	4
New York University	4
Northwestern University	8

Oberlin College	1
Occidental College	16
Olin College of Engineering	1
Pitzer College	3
Pomona College	8
Reed College	6
Rice University	11
Scripps College	1
Smith College	8
Stanford University	69
Swarthmore College	14
Tufts University	8
Tulane University	1
U.S. Air Force Academy	2
Union College	1
UC Berkeley	4
UCLA	5
UNC Chapel Hill	7

University of Minnesota – Twin Cities	1
University of Notre Dame	4
University of Richmond	11
USC	3
Vanderbilt University	3
Vassar College	3
Wake Forest University	1
Washington University in St. Louis	12
Wellesley College	4
Wesleyan University	9
Whitman College	1
Williams College	4
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	1

HIGHLY COMPETITIVE 38

Babson College	1
Bard College – Annandale-on-Hudson	1
Beloit College	1
Bentley University	1
Christian Brothers University	1
Denison University	1
Emerson College	1
Gettysburg College	1
Loyola University of New Orleans	1
Michigan State University	1
Muhlenberg College	1

Rutgers University Honors Program	1
Santa Clara University	1
Sarah Lawrence College	1
Sewanee	1
Skidmore College	2
Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Education at CUNY	2
Southwestern University	1
St. Mary's University	1
SUNY Binghamton	1
SUNY Stony Brook	1
Texas A&M University	2
Trinity University (TX)	1
UC Davis	3
UMD College Park	2
University of Puget Sound	2
University of Texas, Austin	5

VERY COMPETITIVE 57

Biola University	1
Colorado State University Ft. Collins	1
CUNY Baruch College	1
CUNY Macaulay Honors College	3
DePauw University	11
Florida Institute of Technology	1
George Mason University	1
Georgia State University	1
Ithaca College	1
Louisiana State University	1
Mercer University	1
Mills College	1
North Central College	1
Polytechnic Institute of NYU	1
Rochester Institute of Technology	1
San Diego State University	1
Spelman College	4
St. Edward's University	1
Stephens College	1
SUNY Albany	1
SUNY Fredonia	1
SUNY Oswego	1
UC Santa Cruz	1
UMass Amherst	1
University of Arkansas	3

University of Denver	1
University of Hawaii – Manoa	1
University of Louisville	2
University of Missouri St. Louis	1
University of South Carolina at Columbia	1
University of Tennessee Knoxville	1
University of the Pacific	2
University of Washington	2
Wabash College	1
Westminster College	1
Willamette University	1

COMPETITIVE & OTHER 39

Adelphi University	1
Alabama A&M University	1
Albright College	1
Arkansas State University	1
CUNY Brooklyn College	1
CUNY City College	1
CUNY College of Staten Island	1
Guilford College	4
Howard University	2
LA. Trade Technical College	1
Middle Tennessee State University	1
Mississippi State University	1
Morehouse College	1
North Park University	1
Northern Arizona University	1
Northern Illinois University	1
Our Lady of the Lake University	1
Rhode Island College	1
San Joaquin Delta College	1
Seton Hall University	1
Southern Illinois University	1
St. John's University	2
Texas Tech University	2
The College of Idaho	1
University of Central Florida	1
University of Kansas	1
University of Louisville	1
University of Minnesota	1
University of Nebraska	1
University of Texas at Brownsville	1
University of Wyoming	1
Wichita State University	1