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Concordia University Texas and Leadership Austin Partner to Accelerate Leadership Development Through MBA Credit Transfer Program

*New partnership rewards Essential alumni with five MBA credit hours
toward leadership advancement*

AUSTIN, Texas — [Concordia University Texas](#) today announced a partnership with [Leadership Austin](#) that will offer graduates of the Leadership Austin [Essential](#) program a new opportunity: The ability to transfer five credit hours toward Concordia Texas's [Master of Business Administration](#) degree.

This collaboration recognizes the leadership development achieved through the Essential program—a leadership course that connects and develops courageous leaders in Central Texas to build inclusive and thriving communities—and provides graduates with a faster, smoother path to completing their MBA.

"At Concordia Texas, we believe leadership is not just a skill set, but a lifelong calling," said Dr. Daniel Guerrero, MBA program chair and assistant professor of business. "This partnership with Leadership Austin acknowledges the transformational leadership development of Essential graduates and provides a smooth, rewarding next step toward an MBA."

Graduates of the nine-month Essential program can now convert their leadership experience into valuable academic credit at Concordia Texas, building on their learning to deepen their impact across industries and communities.

"Leadership Austin cultivates purpose-driven courageous leaders who make lasting, transformative impacts in Central Texas—a vision that is also shared by Concordia Texas," said Jill Goodman, chief executive officer at Leadership Austin. "This partnership reflects the commitment of both institutions to foster more connection in our communities through education and service."

The transfer program is available to all Leadership Austin Essential alumni and aims to enhance leadership education while contributing to the region's business and civic landscape.

Leadership Austin Essential alumni are invited to learn more about how their leadership journey can translate into academic credit and accelerate their MBA at Concordia Texas by submitting an [inquiry form](#) or by [applying](#) to the program.

Central Texas leaders interested in joining one of the 2026 Leadership Austin cohorts have until June 12 to submit their application. Learn more in the [Application Hub](#).

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About Concordia University Texas

Concordia University Texas is Austin's leading Christian University, offering dynamic and dialogue-centered liberal arts undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral programs in a caring and personalized learning environment. Located in thriving and growing Austin, Concordia Texas offers courses online and on its scenic, 400+-acre nature preserve campus. Concordia University Texas is committed to providing higher education opportunities to students of all backgrounds and being a place where the adventure of faith, learning, and life-changing experiences leads to meaningful work.

About Leadership Austin

Leadership Austin connects and develops courageous leaders across Central Texas. For 45 years, the organization has provided transformative experiences that turn individual growth into community impact. Serving leaders at every stage—from emerging professionals to experienced executives and retirees—Leadership Austin equips individuals and teams to build thriving organizations and address the region's most pressing challenges. Its 3,000+ alumni fuel a ripple effect of collaboration, innovation, and civic engagement. Learn more at leadershipaustin.org or follow @leadershipatx.