## **Tulane graduates fuel Teach for America**

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Tulane University is among the top universities in the United States for graduate <u>participation in Teach for America</u> for 2016. Like many alumni during the past two decades, 14 students from the Class of 2016 became teachers and changemakers in classrooms across the country.

"We are proud of our association with Teach For America and are delighted about Tulane's designation as a top feeder university for its programs," said Amjad Ayoubi, senior associate dean of Newcomb-Tulane College.

Teach for America is a nonprofit organization with the stated mission "to enlist, develop, and mobilize as many as possible of our nation's most promising future leaders to grow and strengthen the movement for educational equity and excellence."

Once accepted to the program, the new educators go through a teacher training and certification process before receiving placements in a public school district in one of 52 low-income communities across the United States. Since its founding in 1990, more than 50,000 Corps members have completed the program, many of whom continue teaching or pursue work in education-focused advocacy.

"The opportunities that Teach for America offers are consistent with Tulane students' goals and values," said Ayoubi. Additionally, Tulane students are often ideal candidates for the program, given that many have had public service experience in New Orleans-area classrooms.

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