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MAST Academy Graduate Leah Nation Joins Highly Selective Leadership Program at Massachusetts Institute of Technology

One of Only 22 MIT Engineering Undergraduates Accepted This Year

(Cambridge, MA)—Leah Nation, a 2007 graduate of MAST Academy and a Materials Science and Engineering major at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was recently selected to join the Bernard M. Gordon-MIT Engineering Leadership Program's Class of 2011. The program is a new educational initiative at MIT that combines leadership development with the rigor of the MIT educational experience.

One of only 22 MIT School of Engineering undergraduate students invited to become a 'Gordon Engineering Leader', Leah—a resident of Miami who graduated in 2007 from Maritime and Science Technology Academy—will develop her engineering leadership skills in the program.

In the multi-year program, "Leah will be immersed in a series of unique, hands-on learning experiences that focus on product development, project engineering, team leadership and engineering innovation," said Program Director Dr. Edward Crawley.

"The program responds to the future needs of our nation's engineering industry by transforming a select group of highly motivated MIT undergraduate engineering students into tomorrow's engineering leaders," added Dr. Crawley. "We're pleased to have chosen Leah from a large group of highly qualified applicants."

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Launched through a \$20 million gift by The Bernard M. Gordon Foundation, the Bernard M. Gordon – MIT Engineering Leadership Program's goal is to help MIT's undergraduate engineering students develop the skills, tools, and character they will need as future leaders in the world of engineering practice. For more information, visit <http://web.mit.edu/gordonelp>