Honors College

http://honors.wvu.edu

The mission of the Honors College is to provide a high quality living/learning environment for academically talented students at West Virginia University. The college will promote its core values, which are personal and professional integrity, tolerance, academic excellence, service to the community, leadership, and a global perspective.

Honors College Requirements

Presidential Honors Scholar

• A 3.8 GPA and a 28 ACT or 1260 SAT
  or
• A 3.5 GPA and a 31 ACT or 1380 SAT

Dean’s Honors Scholar

• A 3.8 GPA and a ACT 25 or 1140 SAT
  or
• A 3.6 GPA and a ACT 26 or 1180 SAT or 27 ACT or 1220 SAT
  or
• A 3.5 GPA and a ACT 28 or 1260 SAT

Benefits

Presidential Honors Scholar

• Priority registration
• Priority for a room in Honors Hall first year (with priority for apartments in Vandalia Hall during their second and subsequent years)
• Honors advisor in their major as a freshman
• Guaranteed Honors credit for research, internship, and study abroad experiences
• Support from the Honors Office

Dean’s Honors Scholar

• Priority registration
• Honors advisor in their major as a freshman
• Support from the Honors Office
• Honors housing
• Students may elect to become Presidential Scholars if they earn a 3.5 GPA during their first year

Requirements

Presidential Honors Scholar

• 3.5 grade point average
• Twenty-five hours of “Honors” credit hours
  Thirteen Honors credit hours—specifically designated Honors courses including Honors 199 (one credit hour Honors gateway orientation course)
• Six Honors hours (which may be thesis hours)
• Six credits at the 300- and 400-level in the student’s major that have been approved as Honors-level courses by the department chair and the dean of the Honors College
• Thesis or an approved semester of study abroad

Dean’s Honors Scholar

• 3.4 grade point average
• Sixteen hours of “Honors” credit hours
• Seven Honors credit hours—specifically designated Honors courses including Honors 199 (one credit hour Honors gateway orientation course)
• Nine credits at the 300- and 400-level in the student's major that have been approved as Honors-level courses by the department chair and the dean of the Honors College
• Thesis optional (however, encouraged—could be used as credits in the 300- or 400-level section above)

Current WVU students may participate if they have a 3.7 GPA after completing fourteen to thirty-four hours of coursework with no withdrawals or incompletes.

If you would like more information, please contact the Honors Office. Students may also visit the website listed above.

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