



Waubonsee Community College Honors Program: FAQs for Students



What is the Honors Program?

The Honors Program at Waubonsee Community College is designed for students who would like an additional intellectual challenge in their coursework. This challenge may come from working on a special project in a specific course under the mentorship of a specific

faculty member. Potential projects could include an exploratory research project, a service-learning project, the creation of artwork or a musical piece or performance, or the designing of digital media, and more. Students will decide upon a particular project in conjunction with their faculty mentor. Students may consider 100 and 200 level coursework for the Honors Program. Courses that are scheduled for less than eight weeks and developmental courses are not eligible.

What are the Benefits of Being an Honors Student at Waubonsee Community College?

Not only is participation in the Honors Program an excellent experience to include on one's resume, but it is also a great way to work closely with a faculty member and pursue an interesting, independent project. In addition, students who successfully complete a class in the Honors Program and earn either a grade of A or B on their Honors Project and an A or B as a final course grade in honors courses will receive honors recognition reflected on their transcripts. Students who achieve 12 or more semester hours of honors courses, a 3.25 overall grade point average, and a 3.0 grade point average in their honors courses will have the notation Honors Program Graduate printed on their diplomas.

Scholarship Opportunities

Honors students earning 12 or more semester hours of honors credit may be eligible for consideration for a full tuition scholarship at North Central College (Naperville, IL) and a \$5,000 scholarship, renewable for 2 years of study, at Elmhurst University (Elmhurst, IL).

What are the Criteria for Acceptance Into the Honors Program?

Criteria for admission into the Honors Program:

Students entering college for the first time must have high school transcripts or their equivalent on file with the Registrar's office. Students with a high school GPA of 3.5 or higher, or ACT score of 25 or above, or a composite SAT score of 1200 or more will be accepted into the program. Additionally, students with existing college credit must have completed at least 12 transfer-level credit hours at Waubonsee Community College or another accredited institution, maintaining a minimum GPA of 3.5. All records must be on file with the Registrar's office. Once admitted, students are required to maintain a 3.25 GPA.

How do I Apply?

Interested students who meet the criteria above should submit the **Application Form**. Next, they should review the **Honors Project Contract** and talk with their potential faculty mentor. Finally, they should complete the Honors Project Contract. The Honors Project Contract must be reviewed and approved (with signature) by the faculty mentor before it can be submitted. All materials should be submitted by:

- September 15 for the Fall Semester
- February 15 for the Spring Semester

Note: If the 15th occurs on a weekend, contracts will be accepted through the end of the day the following Monday.

Who Can I Contact for Further Information?

You can submit questions to:

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