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FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY HONORS COLLEGE

What is the Honors College?

The Honors College at Fort Hays State University was created with one goal in mind: to see you succeed. We know students like you want to be challenged, meet your highest goals, and find your greatest potential. If you have passion, enthusiasm, curiosity, and want to maximize your undergraduate experience, we invite you to explore the FHSU Honors College. We provide students with unique leadership opportunities, a customizable Honors experience, and dedicated attention to growth and development. We will provide you with support every step of the way—from scholarship opportunities to personal guidance. You are far more than just a grade-point average. Our admissions process considers the whole person: your interests, experiences, and inner drive—your unique, adventurous, and curious "you."

The fundamental goal of the FHSU Honors College is to help you become your own best advocate. We want to accompany you as you develop your proven talent into academic, professional, and personal goals, and then help you demonstrate your success in the most effective ways - to the campus, the community, graduate schools, future employers - wherever those goals may take you. The Honors College is a special part of the FHSU Tiger Family, and we hope to share it with you.

Program Benefits

- + Specialized scholarships available only to Honors College students
- + Honors College housing community in Tiger Village
- + On-campus dedicated Honors College study and community spaces
- + Supportive community of committed and engaged students, faculty, and staff
- + Free on-campus parking passes
- + Priority course enrollment
- + Nationally competitive scholarship advising
- + Honors courses selected by committee and designed to enrich your learning experience
- + Special opportunities for leadership roles, employment, and research
- + Honors College designation on diploma and transcripts
- + Graduation medallion presented to all graduating seniors

The priority application deadline for both scholarship consideration and for students who intend to start in the spring semester is November 15th.

Honors College Scholarships

Eligibility for an Honors College scholarship does not guarantee that the applicant will receive the scholarship. Applying by the priority application deadline will give the student the best chance at being awarded a scholarship.

Students awarded the Regents scholarship are not able to accept any other FHSU awards, but external scholarships are allowed. Students awarded the Tier 1 or Tier 2 scholarship are not able to accept the Tiger Pride, Victor E., or Transfer awards in addition to their Tier 1 or Tier 2; but other FHSU or external scholarships are allowed.

We gladly accept FHSU Online and current student applicants, but we are not able to consider them for Honors College scholarships.

Regents Scholarships

AVAILABLE TO FIRST-YEAR FRESHMEN. COVERS TUITION AND FEES (UP TO 18 CREDIT HOURS), CAMPUS ROOM AND BOARD COSTS, AND INCLUDES \$450 PER SEMESTER FOR OTHER COSTS

- + Applicants are expected to have a high school GPA of 3.7 and a 32 ACT Composite/Superscore or 1430 SAT

Tier 1 Scholarship

AVAILABLE TO FIRST-YEAR, TRANSFER, OR KAMS/AMS STUDENTS. \$10,000 TOTAL AWARD (\$4,000 FOR TUITION AND FEES, \$6,000 FOR HONORS HOUSING)

- + Priority will be given to applicants with a 31 ACT Composite/Superscore or 1400 SAT

Tier 2 Scholarship

AVAILABLE TO FIRST-YEAR, TRANSFER, OR KAMS/AMS STUDENTS. \$6,700 TOTAL AWARD (\$3,500 FOR TUITION AND FEES, \$3,200 FOR HONORS HOUSING)

- + Priority will be given to applicants with a 30 ACT Composite/Superscore or 1370 SAT

**For more information,
or to apply, visit our website:**

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Admission Expectations

- + To be considered for membership all candidates will complete an Honors College application on our website, including 3 short answer questions and a resume. Students should typically have at least 2 years left in their degree program.
- + Strong applications will display attention to quality writing, as well as thoughtful, reflective, and creative approaches to the essay prompts. Resumes should include education, employment, community engagement, and other extra-curricular activities you feel are important.
- + Highest achieved ACT/SAT scores should be submitted as reference only for Honors College **membership consideration**. Candidates should have approximately a 3.5 cumulative GPA, but others may be considered based on the quality of the rest of their application. See back for scholarship eligibility information.
- + **FHSU Online** students should have a minimum of 4 semesters remaining at at-least half time status. The highest cumulative college GPA or combined cumulative college and high school GPA will be used for admissions consideration.
- + **Adult learners/non-traditional** students are welcome and encouraged to contact the Honors College to determine eligibility for Honors College admission.

Program Expectations

- + Maintain a 3.3 cumulative GPA, or 3.5 for scholarship renewal, and full-time enrollment status.
- + First-year freshman are expected to live in Honors housing for their first year. (*Students from Ellis County may be exempt if they choose to live at home.*) All others are encouraged to live in Honors housing, but are not required. Some scholarship funds may require residence in Honors housing.
- + Complete a number of Honors Experiences, which may include Honors courses, internships, course conversions, research, study abroad, and more.
- + First-year students will be enrolled in the Honors section of Freshman Seminar. In most cases, students will complete the Honors section of Critical Thinking in their first spring semester. All students will complete the Honors Capstone course, usually in one of their final two semesters.
- + Each student will complete a check-in each semester with Honors College staff.
- + Expectations for FHSU Online or adult/non-traditional students may differ from traditional on-campus students. We are happy to discuss individually how we can work with you.