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Come to campus and meet current students, tour our spaces or even attend an honors class. You can connect with Honors College student ambassadors online at honors.oregonstate.edu/ambassadors. Learn more about the Honors College at OSU-Cascades in Bend at OSUcascades.edu/admissions/honors-college.

To schedule your visit, go to visitOSU.oregonstate.edu or call the Office of Admissions at 800-291-4192 and mention the Honors College. You can also learn more about the Oregon State experience, take a virtual tour of campus and get your questions answered at admissions.oregonstate.edu/virtual-visit.



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HONORS College

What's next starts here.

You're ready. Brimming with ideas. Excited for everything that college can be. Bring all your creativity and ambition to the Oregon State University Honors College. Whatever you choose to study, you'll be welcomed into a stimulating, interdisciplinary community that will prepare you to successfully take on the challenges ahead.

The Honors College offers multiple opportunities to pursue what interests you most. You can conduct original research. Connect with distinguished faculty and alumni. Collaborate with fellow students in the classroom and beyond. You'll earn the Honors Baccalaureate, Oregon State's most prestigious undergraduate degree. What's more, the honors experience will prepare you for graduate school, the start of your career or whatever comes next.

Gear up.
Exciting things are coming your way.

"My honors professors constantly challenged me, while very much acting as support. I appreciate the rapport I was able to build in my honors classes."
— Hamza Molvi '19 | Marketing, Business Information Systems

"The research and writing skills that the thesis process develops have better equipped me for graduate school."
— Ryan Khalife '18 | Political Science, Economics

"I have kept in close contact with every student and faculty member I have met through honors classes — something that is important in a bigger school. It takes a village to create your college experience. Thanks to the Honors College, I like my village."

— Esther Vega | Industrial Engineering

Go farther than you imagined with an entire community behind you.

Wherever your academic interests take you, you'll find support and guidance in the Honors College. Live and learn among engaged students and encouraging faculty mentors. Choose from two residence hall options, West Hall and Sackett Hall. Both offer a wide range of fun activities, as well as peace and quiet when you need it.



Oregon State University Honors College

All the benefits of a small college experience with all the opportunities of a premier research university.

The Honors College is a diverse community of about 1,600 students at Oregon’s leading public research university.

We’re big where it matters: Oregon State offers 200+ academic programs, research and internships, international opportunities in 70+ countries and 400+ student clubs, all of which are open to honors students.

And we’re small where it counts: Honors courses average between 10 and 20 students. You’ll get to know your professors, and they’ll get to know you. Honors faculty frequently become valued mentors.

Your ideas are boundless, and your opportunities should be too.

The Honors College offers more than 350 unique course options, drawn from every academic field at Oregon State and refreshed every year. Featuring innovative teaching methods, stimulating discussions and highly engaged learning, honors classes are designed to add value, not extra work.

It all culminates in the honors thesis — an immersive experience where you can break new ground on a topic that captures your heart and mind, whether or not it’s in your major. And when you graduate, you can be confident that the Honors College has prepared you well — with a degree that will stand out on a grad school application or a résumé.



“As an instructor in the Honors College, I wish I could be an Honors College student. You get to take such a deep dive into these interesting topics that are not offered anywhere else.”

— Sam Logan | Associate Professor,
College of Public Health
and Human Sciences

“I really like teaching honors students because they’re excited about learning and exploring. They’re creative. They have lots of different interests, and they find ways to integrate them. I always say I have the best job. I get the joy of seeing students grow as learners, the pleasure of watching them get excited about what they’re doing.”

— Kari van Zee |
Senior Instructor,
College of Science

ADMISSIONS

While admission to the Honors College is competitive, the selection process is holistic. We value a broad definition of achievement, which considers not only GPA, but also your coursework, extracurricular activities and service to your community, along with your response to the Honors College essay prompt.



MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR HONORS COLLEGE ADMISSION CONSIDERATION

You must meet at least one of the criteria for consideration; however, meeting the minimum criteria does not guarantee admission.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

3.75 cumulative unweighted GPA (students who don’t meet the GPA minimum can qualify with a test score of 1300 SAT or 27 ACT*)

TRANSFER STUDENTS

3.5 cumulative transfer GPA

CURRENT OREGON STATE STUDENTS

3.5 cumulative Oregon State GPA

*Admission to Oregon State is test-optional for first-year students applying for Fall 2021 and beyond. Because standardized tests may be unavailable to some students due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Honors College will allow students to apply for an exception to the Honors College minimum GPA requirement.

HONORS COLLEGE ADMISSIONS DATES/DEADLINES

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

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| Early action applications | AUG 1–NOV 1 |
| Early action admission decisions..... | DEC 31 |
| Regular applications..... | NOV 2–FEB 1 |
| Regular admission decisions | MAR 31 |

TRANSFER OR CURRENT OREGON STATE STUDENTS

Applications may be submitted at any time during the academic year. Admission decisions are sent on a rolling basis, typically by the end of each term. Admitted students can enroll in the Honors College upon acceptance and confirmation.

Start brainstorming your essay and reviewing the admissions steps online at honors.oregonstate.edu/you-apply.