



The Honors Program at Northwest Missouri State University



What is the Honors Program?

Northwest Missouri State University's Honors Program is for high-ability, motivated students. In the first semester, Honors students typically enroll in one or two classes that are enhanced for them. With the chance to take smaller classes, they have opportunities to express themselves and interact with professors and classmates in an intellectually enriching environment.

Honors sections include the following:

- extensive reading and/or ambitious laboratory work
- in-depth discussions
- exploring connections within and among disciplines
- relate course material to a diverse global society
- challenging educational experience beyond the classroom and more opportunities for research and capstone experiences

Eligibility and admission

To be considered for the Honors Program, students must meet the following criteria:

- 3.50 grade-point average
- recommended minimum 26 ACT super score or SAT equivalent

Transfer students or second semester freshmen and above must have a minimum college GPA of a 3.50 to be considered. Participants will be selected from eligible applicants.

Requirements for continuation in program after admission

Honors students must maintain a 3.50 Northwest cumulative GPA each semester. If a student falls below this requirement, they have one semester to meet the GPA criteria, or they will be placed on provisional status.



Graduation requirements

To graduate in the Honors Program, students will complete 12 credit hours of Honors-designated Northwest Core courses and three Honors experiences, at least one in each category below.

Service/Leadership category includes:

- Alternative Spring Break
- Lead Green
- community service and/or service learning (20 hours) in one academic term
- study abroad trip
- other student ideas as approved by the Honors Advisory Committee

Personal/Academic Growth category includes:

- presentation of original creative work
- publication of original work
- participation in colloquia:
 - lecture series
 - creative and performing arts
 - diversity and inclusion
- participation in a professional internship related to a possible career
- other student ideas as approved by the Honors Advisory Committee



See nwmissouri.edu/academics/honors/eligibility.htm for more information.



Scholarships

Most Honors students qualify for merit-based scholarships and are eligible for special funding to support study abroad travel, internships, research and other creative work.

Benefits

- Honors students receive priority class registration privileges
- Designated housing opportunities with the Honors Academic Living Community
- Deeper connections with faculty in designated Honors classes
- Added experiences to enhance their resume

Honors classes

Fall courses

- Fundamentals of Oral Communication
- People & Cultures of the World
- Introduction to Geography
- General Psychology
- Accelerated Composition
- General Statistics

Spring courses

- Computers & Info Technology
- Principles of Macroeconomics
- The United States since 1877
- Enjoyment of Music
- Introduction to Literature
- Introduction to American Government & Politics

This list does not include all Honors courses and is subject to change. Courses are offered in alternate years.

For more information:

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nwmissouri.edu/academics/honors

