

Policies for the Anderson College
Honors Program
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I. Admission

A. For prospective freshman or students currently enrolled who have earned less than 15 credit hours at AC:

- 1) Completed application or admission to AC.
- 2) 1150 or better total SAT balanced between math and verbal (or equivalent ACT).
- 3) 3.4 GPA in college prep courses.
- 4) Completion of Honors Application form.
- 5) Students may be asked to schedule an interview with the co-directors.
- 6) Approval by the co-directors.

B. For students currently enrolled full-time who have earned more than 15 credit hours at AC:

- 1) Cumulative 3.4 GPA in AC coursework.
- 2) 1150 or better total SAT balanced between math and verbal (this requirement may be waived if the co-directors agree that the student's GPA demonstrates academic initiative).
- 3) Completion of Honors Application form.
- 4) Students may be asked to schedule an interview with the co-directors.
- 5) Approval by the co-directors.
- 6) Admission for current students will take effect at the beginning of the academic semester following approval.

C. In both cases, Honors scholarships are awarded on a first come, first served basis.

II. Renewal

- 1) Honors Program scholars must complete one Honors course per semester. Juniors and Seniors can complete the Honors Service Project in each semester of their Junior and Senior years, and this can fulfill their Honors course requirement.
- 2) The student must maintain a 3.0 GPA in the Honors courses.
- 3) The student must maintain a cumulative 3.4 GPA overall in AC coursework.
- 4) The student must complete at least 30 credit hours each academic year.
- 5) The student must attend the required meetings of the Honors Program.

III. Probation and Dismissal

A. An Honors Student will be placed on one semester's probation if any of the following apply:

- 1)His/Her cumulative GPA in all AC coursework falls below 3.4,
- 2)His/Her cumulative GPA in Honors Courses falls below 3.0.

B. An Honors Student will be dismissed from the Honors Program if any of the conditions stated above apply for two consecutive semesters.

C. An Honors Student will be dismissed from the Honors Program if he/she qualifies for probation a second time.

D. An Honors Student may be dismissed from the Honors Program without probation if any of the following apply (unless an exception is granted by the co-directors):

- 1)He/She fails to earn at least 30 credit hours each academic year,

- 2)He/She fails to enroll in or complete at least one Honors course each semester,

- 3)A Junior or Senior fails to enroll in or complete the Honors Service Project,

- 4)He/She fails to attend 75% of the required meetings.

E. Honors Students who have been dismissed can reapply according to the admission standards stated above.

IV. Privileges and Recognition

The admission standards above demonstrate that any full time student is eligible to enter the Honors Program as long as the student meets the admission requirements. However, some stipulations apply with regard to recognition:

A. To receive recognition at the Honors Convocation, an Honors Student

- 1)must have entered the program as a new Freshman or before second semester Freshman year, and

- 2)must have been enrolled full-time at AC and participated in the Honors Program each semester of enrollment.

B. Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who participate in the Honors Program but who entered after the Freshman year are still eligible for the Honors Scholarship and the privilege of taking Honors courses.

C. All students who are members of the Honors Program have the opportunity to take the Honors Interdisciplinary Colloquium, which is designed to meet more than one General Education requirement in a single course. Students who are enrolled in this course who, for whatever reason, are not members of the Honors Program receive credit for only one general education requirement.

IV. Transfer Students

A. Transfer students can gain admission to the Honors Program according to the admission standards stated above.

B. Participation in the Honors Convocation may be allowed by the co-directors if the transfer student was a member of an Honors Program at the previous institution. Such exemptions will be evaluated on a case by case

basis, and the final decision rests with the co-directors.

V. Part Time Students

The Honors Program is currently unable to accommodate Part Time Students.