

# Shippensburg University Honors Program

## Application for First-Semester Freshmen

The Honors Program at Shippensburg University engages talented and motivated students inside and outside the classroom. The program involves undergraduate students from every major and class level. Through innovative Honors classes and enriching co-curricular experiences—including research, study abroad, leadership, and service opportunities—the Honors Program helps students form a close-knit community of scholars and achieve their academic and professional goals.

Please submit your application by **December 1 for Spring admission**. Freshmen must earn at least a 3.25 QPA in their first-semester courses at Shippensburg University to be considered for admission to the program. Admissions decisions for freshmen are made in early January. Freshmen who are admitted to the program will consult with the Honors staff before the spring semester begins to revise their schedules to include Honors classes. If you have any questions about the program, please contact the Honors Program staff at the e-mail address or telephone number listed on the back of the form or visit our website, <http://www.ship.edu/honors>.

### **Part One: Student Information**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Phone: ( \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ ) \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ -- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_

Home Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone: ( \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ ) \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ -- \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank/Class Size: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

High School GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Scores: Critical Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Mathematics: \_\_\_\_\_

Writing: \_\_\_\_\_

Essay: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Major at Shippensburg University: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete reverse side.**

**Part Two: Two Essay Questions: Each answer should be a well-organized essay of 250-300 words.**

1. Identify the one high school course that you consider to have been the most beneficial or meaningful to you and explain why.
2. The Honors Program is dedicated to promoting scholarship, leadership, and service. Please visit the program's web site at <http://www.ship.edu/honors> to learn more about the Honors Program's activities. Based on your past involvement in co-curricular and community service activities, explain how you can contribute to the co-curricular and community service activities of the Shippensburg University Honors Program.

**Part Three: Coursework**

On a separate sheet,

1. List the classes that you have earned college credit for (including Academic Placement and transfer credit).
2. List the classes that you are currently enrolled in.

**Part Four: Letter of Recommendation**

Request one letter of recommendation from a Shippensburg University professor who can comment on your character and academic abilities. The professor should place the letter in a sealed envelope and sign it across the back. Include the letter with your application.

How did you learn about the Honors Program?

Mailing from Honors Program    Website    Shippensburg University Open House  
 Guidance Counselor    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return your application by December 1 for Spring admission to:**

The Honors Program  
Shippensburg University  
Horton Hall 201  
1871 Old Main Drive  
Shippensburg, PA 17257-2299  
(717) 477-1604  
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