



HONORS & SCHOLARS

In an uncertain, globalized world, we need talented scholars that are ready to change the world, not just change with it.

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville Honors & Scholars Program offers dynamic experiences that will immediately stretch your thinking through unique academic opportunities, interactive and interdisciplinary seminars, and hands-on activities.

Every member of the Honors & Scholars Program benefits from:

- taking the CliftonStrengths assessment and individualized coaching from a Gallup-strengths certified academic coach. This will help you find your natural talents and stretch them to align with your academic and career goals.
- access to an exclusive Honors & Scholars Living and Learning Community in Dogwood residence hall.
- exclusive access to Honors & Scholars specific programming, including lecture series, social activities, service-learning opportunities, and exclusive Honors study spaces in the Howard Baker Center.
- priority course registration and advanced library privileges.



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HASLAM SCHOLARS

This is the most selective honors program at UT and comes with generous university scholarships. The Haslam Scholars Program is designed to help you understand and develop your academic and leadership potential—to cultivate Tennessee’s leaders of tomorrow.

Program Highlights: The program helps scholars understand, build, and stretch their leadership knowledge and capacity through leadership-based seminars, exclusive, guaranteed internships across Tennessee, and a fully-funded student abroad experience. Scholars showcase their accomplishments through an electronic portfolio and undergraduate capstone project. Haslam Scholars receive exclusive scholarships, access to top faculty and community leaders.

Academic Expectations: Students must complete both curricular and co-curricular components and maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 to remain in good standing.

HONORS LEADERSHIP

The Honors Leadership Program (HLP) helps scholars understand the theoretical and practical application of leadership. Scholars in this program are always trying to improve things and make the world better. Scholars enhance methods and constructs through practical leadership experience, such as establishing engineering clubs to promote STEM education in rural Tennessee, advocating for increased sustainability at UT, and managing successful Student Government Association election campaigns.

Program Highlights: Scholars complete an exclusive honors leadership curriculum taught by leading faculty in the department of Educational Leadership & Policy. You will receive a special invitation to Ignite, summer leadership for incoming students, participate in small honors seminars, and have opportunities to participate in national and international leadership and service programs. Your final project as an Honors Leadership Program scholar will be to design a capstone leadership project that digs deeper into your leadership perspective.

Academic Expectations: Students must complete both curricular and co-curricular components and maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 to remain in good standing.

CHANCELLOR’S HONORS

The Chancellor’s Honors Program, a university-wide, liberal arts program, develops eager minds by designing experiences that will help you discover new ideas, talents, cultures, and people. Through our program, you will gain the flexibility and capability to change the world. As a Chancellor’s Honors Program scholar, you will engage in interactions where you can research, collaborate, and get involved from day one.

Program Highlights: The Chancellor’s Honors Program offers top students like you an opportunity to enjoy smaller honors-specific courses, work closely with leading faculty on coursework and undergraduate research projects, belong to a community of high-achieving peers, and receive mentorship from upper-class Honors scholars.

Academic Expectations: Students must complete both curricular and co-curricular components each semester and maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 to remain in good standing.

1794 SCHOLARS

The 1794 scholars love to work, not just see results, so we show the process to contribute to the campus and community from day one. This two-year honors enrichment program is founded on the Volunteer spirit—pushing students to get involved and collaborate in unexpected ways. In 1794, every day is a chance to positively collide with something or someone new.

Program Highlights: Scholars will engage in a small first-year seminar course designed to help them engage with UT academic and social opportunities and get involved in exclusive 1794 programming

Academic Expectations: Students must maintain a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA and complete at least one activity from each of the four key areas each semester to remain in good standing.

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	Haslam Scholars	Chancellor's Honors	Honors Leadership	1794 Scholars
Program Tenets	cohort model, community of learners, research and scholarship, service & leadership	intellectual curiosity, social responsibility, global & cultural awareness, research and scholarship, critical reflection	cohort model, personal development, leadership and ethics, service-learning, social & cultural awareness	academic engagement, global & cultural awareness, campus involvement, volunteer spirit
Yearly Admission	15	400	100	400
Length of Program	4 years	4 years	4 years	2 years
Admission	first-year incoming students	first-year incoming and current students	first-year incoming students	first-year incoming students, current and transfer students with at least two years left at UT
Qualifying HSGPA	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.8
Qualifying ACT*	31	28	28	28
Courses	HSP exclusively designed curriculum sequence	first-year Honors writing sequence, 5 interdisciplinary honors courses	Honors track of the Leadership Studies minor	University Honors 101
International or Cultural Experiences	fully-paid cohort study abroad	Ready for the World experience	regional/international leadership experience	access to Honors study abroad programs
Capstone Project or Thesis	two-semester research/capstone sequence	two-semester research/capstone sequence	leadership capstone project	e-portfolio presentation
Living and Learning Community	first-year required	optional	optional	optional
Community Service	25 hours/year			
Student Engagement	Honors seminars in areas of curiosity, culture, and connection			
Minimum Cumulative GPA	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.0
Graduation	HSP notation on diploma and transcript & HSP medallion	CHP notation on diploma and transcript & CHP medallion	minor in Honors Leadership Studies & HLP medallion & notation on transcript	certificate of completion & 1794 pin & notation on transcript upon graduation
Privileges	priority registration, Honors coaching, advanced library benefits, access to Honors facilities, and exclusive Honors programming			

*Students with at least a 3.8 weighted core GPA applying without test scores may be reviewed for Honors & Scholars.

Apply to UT by November 1 at vip.utk.edu or commonapp.org, and check the Honors & Scholars interest box. You will be prompted to select the program in which you are interested from among the following: 1794 Scholars, Chancellor's Honors, and Honors Leadership. If you are qualified to apply for the Haslam Scholars Program, you will receive an email invitation.

Students who apply for 1794 Scholars, Chancellor's Honors, and Honors Leadership received by the early action deadline will be notified by mid-December. Applications received after the early action deadline will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

QUESTIONS?

Please contact Xylina Marshall, admissions coordinator for Honors & Scholars, at xylina@utk.edu or 865-448-5500 to talk about the honors programs offered at UT.