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# HONORS PROGRAM

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Imagine a community of students eager and prepared to tackle new ideas, learn in exciting locales, pursue research interests, earn prestigious scholarships, encourage each other's success, have fun and be vital members of campus.

Our students think and engage in new, challenging ways. They belong to a supportive community that interacts with campus and the world. They are respected as leaders, valued as peers, appreciated as friends. They define success not as "getting ahead" but as discovering their unique gifts, paths and destinies—and helping others to do the same.

This is the culture that the Villanova Honors Program fosters. This is the environment in which we invite you to realize your potential, fulfill your dreams and flourish in a way that strengthens others.

We provide distinctive academics with the nourishment of community to allow your desire to grow in the direction your heart leads.

Read on and find out why Villanova Honors is the best place for you to put down your roots and grow to great heights in college and beyond.

Some call it too good to be true.  
We call it the **Villanova Honors Program.**  
And we want you to join us—and thrive.

## TRANSFORMATIONAL LEARNING

- You know it, and so do we. Learning should stimulate, reward and transform. It's an opportunity to grow, develop gifts and reimagine the world. For intellectually ambitious students like you, Villanova's prestigious Honors Program provides a distinctive path of growth and camaraderie through all four years of your undergraduate journey. Inviting inquiry across colleges and disciplines ensures you develop, engage and change.



### THINK BIG

Ponder, question and be questioned as never before. Because Honors classes are small in size and rich in discussion, you can exercise your mind and express big ideas.

### FIND THE PERFECT SEQUENCE

Choose from seven specially-designed series of courses to spark your intellectual fire and satisfy core requirements.

### LEARN FROM THE BEST

Be inspired by outstanding faculty who create and teach compelling courses. Receive one-on-one academic advising from the program's directors.

### TAKE THE FAST TRACK

Get a jump on professional goals. Eligible students can begin a Business minor in your first semester. Earn your bachelor's and law degrees from Villanova in six years.

### GO GLOBAL

Our Global Scholars Program prepares you to study at Cambridge or St. Andrew's your sophomore year. Or match another destination with your dreams and earn Honors credits for studying abroad.

### DO A THESIS

Pursue research that ignites your curiosity and complete a Senior Thesis.

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## LEARNING AMONG FRIENDS

### **FOLLOW YOUR OWN PATH, BUT DON'T WALK ALONE.**

Sound contradictory? It's not. In fact, this advice is at the heart of the Honors journey.

Our students distinguish themselves in every arena, from the classroom to the athletic field to leadership opportunities in service and student groups. Here, you'll stand out while fitting in—part of a community within a community. You'll pursue your own academic path while making friends across all majors and colleges. You'll attend athletic and cultural events, join student groups, play intramural and club sports—in short, you can find any way you want to experience all that being a Villanovan entails.

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#### **JOIN A “LEARNING COHORT”**

Take themed classes over several semesters with students who share your interests and live with you in Honors housing. Conversations in class carry over into social life.

#### **LIVE IN HONORS HOUSING**

Live in a supportive community where thoughts and ideas are encouraged and empowered.

#### **GO THE DISTANCE**

Enjoy Honors' co- and extracurricular activities. They provide hands- and feet-on learning, build friendships and create fun-filled memories.

#### **HIT THE LOUNGE**

When you need a place to study, unwind, grab a snack or hang with friends, nothing beats the Honors Student Lounge.

#### **LEAD ON**

Get involved in Honors' many leadership activities. Be an ambassador for prospective students. Serve on the Honors Student Advisory Board. Edit the literary magazine.

#### **SEEK SUPPORT**

Everyone in Honors wants you to thrive. Consult faculty and alumni mentors, as well as peer mentors, to make the choices that are best for you. Participate in specialized programs designed to help you succeed academically, socially and after graduation.



## THRESHOLD TO SUCCESS



- By participating in the Honors Program, you'll follow the most distinctive academic path through Villanova. And that's only the beginning. When you graduate, you'll be ready to chart a unique, challenging and fulfilling course for lifelong success. We can't predict what that course will be or where it will take you, but we can tell you that Villanova's Honors students achieve success all over the world.

### WIN A COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIP

Recipients of the Fulbright, Rhodes, Marshall and other prestigious grants and fellowships, Honors students and alumni pursue studies, conduct research and engage in teaching all over the world.

### ATTEND A PREMIER GRADUATE SCHOOL

Whether they are interested in law, medicine, business or the humanities, Honors students earn advanced degrees at such prestigious institutions as Yale, Georgetown, Princeton and Penn.

### EMBARK ON A REWARDING CAREER

Honors alumni are rising stars and visionary leaders in a wide range of industries and fields, from finance, information technology and pharma to publishing, government and the nonprofit sector.



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## HONORS AT A GLANCE

The Honors Program is open to students from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Villanova School of Business, the College of Engineering and the M. Louise Fitzpatrick College of Nursing.

Each year the Honors Program enrolls 150-160 students, a select group that comprises less than 10 percent of the total undergraduate student body.

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### PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year Villanova University offers full scholarships to 30 students. The Honors Program welcomes these exceptional scholars into its academic community.

### CONNELLY-DELOUVRIER SCHOLARSHIPS

The Honors Program annually awards up to 15 scholarships to students studying abroad. The scholarship covers full tuition for one semester.

## JOIN HONORS

Submit your application to Villanova University by **November 1** for consideration. Admitted students are invited to the Honors Program at the time of their admittance to the University. Honors students must be well-rounded, have a strong GPA in a challenging curriculum, and have superior SAT and ACT scores.



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