

Tri-C Honors Program Application – General Information and Instructions

Honors Program Mission: The Cuyahoga Community College Honors Program provides an academically challenging and enriching learning experience for highly motivated, intellectually talented and academically prepared students in order to better develop their potential as learners, citizens and leaders in a complex and culturally diverse world.

Read carefully before completing the Honors Program application:

1. **All applications require a letter of recommendation** from someone who can attest to your academic performance and potential: if you have taken classes at Tri-C, this should be from one of your Tri-C instructors; if you are a recent high school graduate who has not taken classes at Tri-C, this should be from a high school teacher or counselor. If you are in a category of new student for whom it would be difficult or impossible to get a letter of recommendation (e.g., non-recent HS graduate, graduate of a foreign high school, home schooled, GED), you may apply for Special Consideration (see #6 below) and be admitted on a conditional basis.
2. If your acceptance is based on ACT or SAT scores, high school GPA or class rank, or coursework from another institution, you must include verifying documentation with your application.
3. “College-level” credit hours refer to 1000- and 2000-level course work, or comparable if from another institution. It does not include developmental/remedial coursework (0900-level). However, cumulative GPAs include all coursework. When acceptance is based on your having earned a minimum 3.5 GPA on college-level coursework, it is also expected that your cumulative GPA will be at least 3.5.
4. **You must take the Tri-C English and math placement tests** prior to applying for the Honors Program unless the College does not require you to take the placements (for instance, if you transfer from another college or if you’ve submitted ACT or SAT scores in lieu of the placement tests). If you place lower than ENG 1010 on the English placement test and do not place into math honors, you must apply to the program as a Continuing Tri-C Student.
5. Students who do not meet the relevant criteria under the appropriate New Student category may apply later as a Continuing Tri-C Student.
6. **Special Consideration:** In some situations, a New or Continuing student who does not meet the relevant criteria may be admitted to the program on a conditional basis. In addition to the situation mentioned in #1 above, there are other situations where this may apply, such as a student who has a significant gap in attendance at Tri-C and whose more recent work reflects honors-level performance. If in doubt, talk to the Honors Program Assistant Dean or an Honors Faculty Coordinator. If you are applying for special consideration, include an essay of approximately 500 words explaining why you want to be in the Honors Program and why you think you can be a successful honors student. You must also contact the Honors Program Assistant Dean or an Honors Faculty Coordinator to submit your application.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Mr. Mausser or any of the Honors Faculty Coordinators:

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