

# Honors Program: Quick Facts

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The Honors Program exemplifies Messiah University's commitment to academic excellence and fostering an intellectually rigorous Christian worldview. The Honors Program is designed for students who demonstrate high scholarly ability early in their academic career.

Admission to the program is highly selective, and students chosen for the Honors Program receive either full tuition (Trustees') or partial tuition (President's or Faculty) scholarships.

## HONORS PROGRAM THEMES

Exploring fundamental questions

Facing disputed questions

Cultivating a Christian worldview

Growing and applying talents

Engaging in conversation

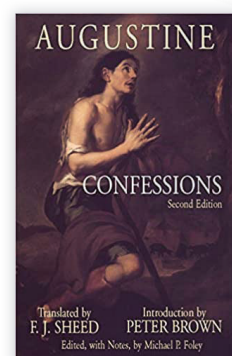
Enjoying community

Current enrollment:

**440** 

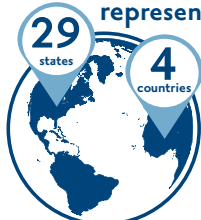
**HONORS STUDENTS**

representing both academic schools and nearly all 80+ majors



**31** average  
ACT score  
for honors  
students

Honors students  
representing



## Curriculum requirements

### First year

- First-year seminar (honors section)
- Created and Called for Community (honors section)

### Sophomore or junior year

- Interdisciplinary course (honors section)

### Senior year

Select one of the following:

- Senior honors project
- Senior honors seminar

## Book of the year for 2022-23

Read "Augustine's Confessions" alongside other students and faculty. The first Western Christian autobiography retains its power today for readers interested in reflecting on sin, redemption and the pursuit of true happiness.

**1394** average SAT score  
for honors students

**100%** of honors students  
receive merit  
scholarship aid

NUMBER ENROLLED (INCOMING)

Trustees' Scholarship: 5 • President's Scholarship: 71

Faculty Scholarship: 32



More than 30  
semester-long,  
off-campus programs  
in more than 40 countries

**15 to 20** Honors events  
held each semester

## RECENT SPEAKERS:

- Greg Moore, Google vice president
- Hans Boersma, theologian
- Ian Hutchinson, MIT physicist
- Dana Gioia, National Endowment of the Arts chair

## OTHER SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES:

- Engage nationally recognized authors, scholars and artists
- Attend on- and off-campus cultural events and field trips

For more info: [messiah.edu/honorsprogram](https://messiah.edu/honorsprogram)