

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum high school grade point average of 3.5/95%.
- Minimum combined SAT₁ score of 1300 (Math/CR) or ACT score of 29.
- Completed Iona College admissions application (including high school transcript and teacher recommendations).
- Completion of FAFSA forms.

PRESIDENTIAL AND DEANS' SCHOLARSHIPS

Requirements above plus: Letter of recommendation specifically for the scholarship. Presidential and Deans' Scholarships Required Essay.

PRESIDENTIAL AND DEANS' SCHOLARSHIPS REQUIRED ESSAY TOPIC

The Honors Program brings together intellectually curious students and asks them to think about some of the world's most powerful ideas in science, philosophy, literature, history, theology and politics—ideas that, while they may defy easy understanding, have nevertheless helped to shape our perceptions of the world and our place in it. Write an essay (600-1,000 words) in which you describe the most powerful idea to which you have been introduced in high school. Your essay should explain what is powerful about this idea in your mind, and why this encounter was significant to you.

DEADLINE – December 1.

Letters to finalists will be mailed out by December 19. Selected Presidential and Deans' Scholarship recipients will be notified of their award by mid-February.

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or apply online at:
www.iona.edu/applyonline



These programs offer students a diverse and challenging curriculum with small class sizes, opportunities for exceptional internships and study abroad, as well as other exclusive benefits.



Honors Program Presidential and Deans' Scholarships at Iona College

Iona's Presidential and Deans' Scholarships and Honors Program are designed for the exceptional student who has demonstrated outstanding educational achievement through SAT or ACT scores, advanced-level courses and high school grade point average. Only a select group of freshmen are accepted into the Honors Program each year.

PRESIDENTIAL AND DEANS' SCHOLARSHIPS

The Presidential and Deans' Scholarships are Iona's most prestigious scholarships. The Presidential Scholarship includes a four-year, full-tuition scholarship; the Deans' Scholarship includes a four-year, three-quarter scholarship. These scholarships are awarded by competition on the basis of academic merits.

Presidential and Deans' Scholarships benefits also include:

- Membership in the Honors Program.
- Studying on a one-on-one basis with a faculty mentor in your area of interest.
- Attending exclusive academic and cultural events.
- Becoming a leader in service activities on or off campus.
- Receiving tuition-free courses each year.

"The Honors Program gave me a more challenging education, a greater range of opportunities, and a number of very close friends. Everything I participated in with the Honors Program helped shape me into a more capable, knowledgeable, and articulate person. I know that the work I did and the experiences I had as part of the Honors Program were a distinct advantage and significant factor towards my acceptance into graduate school. Next year, I'll be starting a PhD program in School Psychology at the CUNY Graduate Center."

Laura Hackimer, class of 2010
Psychology major

"The Honors Program helped me grow academically and personally. It prepared me for a year abroad at the University of Oxford through rigorous coursework, and also helped me prove to myself that I could adapt to a new culture with ease (I am originally from Portland, Oregon). The grant program was also crucial to my development as a student as it helped fund an internship at the University of Rostock in Rostock, Germany. This internship helped propel me forward as a researcher and student."

Samone Brockett, class of 2010
History major and Pre-Med
Brother Doyle Oxford Program Grant Recipient, 2008-09
Cross-Country Team
Biology Club Member

HONORS PROGRAM

A Community of Scholars Pursuing Excellence.

Approximately five percent of each year's freshmen class is invited to join the College's Honors Program. The Honors Program challenges students to expand their intellectual, cultural, and social horizons. Honors Program students are independent learners who come together to inspire and support each other, forming a cohort of committed scholars whose successes enrich the entire College community.



Destined for Success.

The Honors Program has a proven track record of preparing its graduates for successful careers. Internships at major corporations such as IBM, Kraft General Foods, PepsiCo, Young & Rubicam, Ernst & Young and Albert Einstein Medical Center, earn students high marks when they enter the job market. These work experiences, coupled with the Honors Program's rigorous academic training, give our students a competitive edge in their professional careers, whether they plan to work at a Fortune 500 company or enter graduate school.



BENEFITS

Smaller class sizes — Honors classes are limited to 20 students, which reflects the degree of close individual guidance that honors students receive, both academically and in terms of their post-college plans.

Career mentoring — Exploring career opportunities is an important component of the Honors Program, which is why students are matched with alumni or corporate liaisons who help to explain and introduce a range of professional experiences.

Overseas Study — The Honors Program emphasizes a global and cosmopolitan intellectual experience, which is why honors students are encouraged to study abroad for a semester or a year. Iona sponsors study abroad programs in Ireland, Australia, and France, to name a few. Honors students are also encouraged to apply for the Brother Doyle Program at Blackfriars College, Oxford, which provides two Iona students the opportunity to study at the world-renowned Oxford University for an entire academic year.

Priority Registration — allows honors students to register for classes prior to the rest of the student body, thereby assuring their ability to receive their class preferences.

Honors Humanities Seminar — an integral part of freshman and sophomore years. Offered as four, three-credit courses, the humanities seminar introduces students to the central concept of philosophy, history, literature, and religious studies in an interdisciplinary fashion.

Honors Thesis — Each honors student, working closely with a faculty mentor, creates an independent research project that is conducted in the second semester of junior year and the first semester of senior year. This project, which is the culmination of four years of study, is an excellent prelude to the rigors of graduate study and provides potential employers with an outstanding example of the professionalism, expertise, and discipline that is the hallmark of an Iona College Honors student.

Tuition-free Courses — Each honors student is given six free tuition credits per academic year. These credits can be used at any point during the year, including Winter and Summer session courses. The honors credits can make it easier to double major and can be used for Iona study abroad courses.

Honors Residence Hall Floors — All residential honors students will be assigned to the honors floor in one of the most desirable residence halls on campus. Living with other honors students offers a built-in community of support, encouragement, and camaraderie. Additionally, the first-year honors floor will have a Resident Assistant who is also a member of the Honors Program. After the first year, students will have the option of continuing on the honors floors.

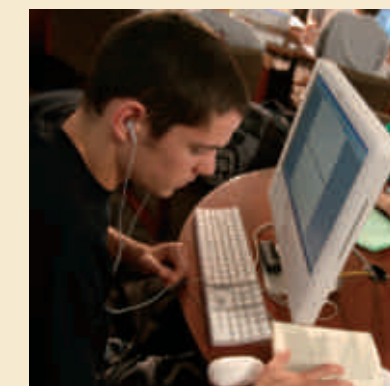
Additional benefits include:

- interdisciplinary, rigorous curriculum;
- cultural and social programs;
- independent research with faculty; and
- eligibility to apply for American Express Scholars Grants, for student research projects.

Curriculum requirements:

- Freshman year: Honors English Composition, Honors Humanities Seminar I and II
- Sophomore year: Honors Logic and Critical Thinking, Honors Humanities Seminar III and IV
- Junior year: Honors Colloquium
- Senior year: Senior Honors Research

Students complete the humanities core curriculum by taking upper-level courses in English literature, history, philosophy, and religious studies. To remain in the program, students must maintain a 3.5 (out of 4.0) cumulative index and be a full-time student.



Important Note: The Presidential and Deans' Scholarships program are non-binding. Students have until May 1 to commit to Iona.