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University Honors Program Application

The University Honors Program is a selective program which encourages a deep, rigorous, and creative engagement with the broad intellectual interests cultivated within the liberal art tradition at the heart of Friends University. By building a community of highly motivated and academically adventurous students, it promotes the value of excellence, invites those students to make the most of their time here at Friends, and to take on intellectual challenges which prepare them for continuing to engage the life of the mind beyond graduation.

Students admitted to the University Honors program must be admitted to Friends University, must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 from their high school or their previous college or university experience, have scored at least a 27 on the ACT, and have completed a University Honors application. Evidence of applicants' GPA and test scores can be provided at the time of university application or directly to the Director of University Honors along with this application. Students admitted to the program will receive the University Honors Academic Scholarship, which will last throughout their time at Friends, so long as progress through the program continues and a 3.5 GPA is maintained. Students who graduate with University Honors will be recognized as such in the graduation program.

To graduate with University Honors, Honors students must 1) complete at least three required Honors courses, which can be either discussion-based Honors Seminars or Honors sections of general education courses, and which shall be taken during the student's first three years at Friends, and 2) also complete an Honors Senior Project, which generally is designed and completed over both semesters of the student's senior year. Different procedures for accomplishing these requirements may be followed by transfer students or those in exceptional circumstances.

I: Fill out the following:

Name: _____

Current Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

High School or Prior Educational Institution: _____

Prospective Major(s) or Areas of Interest: _____

Other Extracurricular Interests: _____

II: Provide a brief answer (one paragraph) to each of the following questions.

1. Discuss briefly your vocational or future plans--what sort of career do you hope to pursue, or what other life goals do you have?
2. In what ways do you think you might benefit from the Honors Program?
3. What issue (social, political, artistic, spiritual, etc.) seems most important to you right now, and why?

III: Answer *two* of the following three questions with 500 words or less. These brief essays represent an opportunity for you to let us know something about who you are and how you think. Please choose your ideas thoughtfully and organize them effectively.

1. Describe an experience that forced you to change your opinion about an important issue or a person.
2. What job do you hope a college education will prepare you for? And what job would you pursue if you had guaranteed wealth for the rest of your life? If the two jobs are not the same, explain why you think there's a difference.
3. List three favorite books of yours. What does the fact that you like these particular books tell us about you?

This application, along with evidence of your GPA and test scores (if they have not already been provided when admitted to Friends University) should be mailed or electronically submitted to:

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Friends University
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Wichita, KS 67213

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For more information please consult the Friends University Honors Program website at:
<http://www.friends.edu/honors/>.