



HONORS SCHOLAR PROGRAM

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY

Transfer Student Application Form ***Priority Deadline: March 7***

Program Purpose

This program looks carefully at each applicant and seeks individuals with a wide breadth of strengths. An Honors Scholar is a curious and involved critical thinker dedicated to developing themselves personally and professionally so that they may have a greater impact on the world. We offer opportunities for you to engage in volunteerism, research and presentation/publication, study abroad, fundraising, social and cultural engagement, and so much more. While our students are bright and academically gifted, our program requirements go well beyond academics. As such, test scores and GPA are not the only consideration when selecting new admits to the program.

Program Admission Guidelines

Generally, most applicants are able to demonstrate both of the following benchmarks:

- *grade point average of 3.5 and higher*
- *good standing in the honors program/college at your previous institution*

However, **ALL** applicants who demonstrate considerable academic promise, drive, and commitment will be considered for admission, and many applicants who meet or exceed these benchmarks may ***not*** be admitted.

All students admitted to the Honors Scholar Program receive scholarship support from TWU, its Foundation, and/or its partners. Thus, it is important to provide full and thoughtful responses in the sections below since scholarship decisions will also be based in part on your application.

I. Personal Information

Last, First & Middle Name:		Student ID:
Address, City, State, Zip:		
Email Address:	DOB:	
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	
Current School:	Major:	

Please select the semester in which you wish to enter the program:

III. Your Interests and Experiences

A. Discuss a pursuit or interest of yours that you are passionate about, not related to your major or career goals. What motivates you to pursue that interest? (75-100 words)

B. How interested are you in doing the following in college or sometime during your lifetime?
Use the following scale: 5 = Definitely! 4 = Very possible. 3 = Never considered it. 2 = Probably not. 1 = No way!

Interest	5	4	3	2	1
Trying new or exotic foods					
Visiting museums					
Attending plays or musicals					
Learning to play an instrument					
Traveling or study abroad					
Learning a new language					
Starting a business					
Humanitarian or mission work					
Working with animals					
Mentoring younger students					
Becoming active in politics					
Mountain climbing					
Playing intramural sports					
Working for a nonprofit					
Becoming a good cook					
Becoming a leader in an organization					
Pursuing an internship					
Reading a non-fiction book for pleasure					
Inventing something useful					
Taking a college course just for fun					

Which of the above **MOST** interests you and why? [75 words maximum]

Which of the above **LEAST** interests you and why? [50 words maximum]

IV. Essay

In a well-reasoned essay (approximately 250-500 words) that includes concrete examples, discuss the *one* statement about education from those listed below that you most closely agree with and why. Feel free to draw upon your own experiences to make your points, but do be specific and detailed.

- A. "It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it." – Aristotle
- B. "I have never let my schooling interfere with my education." – Mark Twain
- C. "A well-educated mind will always have more questions than answers." – Helen Keller

Please attach your essay separately when submitting your application. PDF and Word formats only.

V. References

In order to be considered for the Honors Scholar Program, you must be in good standing with the honors program/college at your previous institution. Please list reference information for your honors dean or director below.

Upon submission of your application, you must inform your dean/director that they need to email honors@twu.edu with the following:

- Confirmation of good standing
- Confirmation of honors coursework completed in their program/college

Name:	
Position & School:	
Address, City, State, Zip:	
Email:	Phone:

Complete this application fully and return either by email (honors@twu.edu) or by mail to the Office of Honors Programs at **P.O. Box 425678, Denton, TX 76204.**