The Honors Program is a four-year interdisciplinary academic course of study that concentrates on the development of intellectual curiosity and offers a comprehensive honors curriculum to cultivate critical thinking, active learning, and stellar leadership skills.

The intent of the Honors Program is to provide a scholarly experience and to create a personalized academic portfolio that will successfully prepare Honors students to enter top graduate, medical, law, and public policy schools as well as to enter high level international leadership career opportunities. Hence, this program is designed to create future global leaders.

Each student accepted into the Honors Program will receive individualized advising to ensure they meet all of the requirements to complete the Core Honors Curriculum.

**Honors Academic Contract**

First Year Honors students are required to take a minimum of 6 credit hours of Honors courses per semester.

Honors students are encouraged to take a foreign language: Chinese, Arabic, or Spanish.

Honors students are required to take a Junior and Senior Research Seminar.

Honors students are encouraged to Study Abroad for a semester or during the summer. The program will assist each student with foreign studies placement to find the proper universities or summer abroad programs.

Honors students are encouraged to attend summer research programs at leading universities. The program will assist each student with this goal.

Honors students are required to write and defend a Senior Thesis.

The development of a philosophical habit of mind, academic training, historical consciousness, and an aggressive pursuit of knowledge in all disciplines is the basis of an Honors program. Only the most committed and talented professors at Prairie View A&M University will teach Honors courses with the intent to create a shared dialogue among students majoring in: education, engineering, natural sciences, architecture, nursing, agriculture, arts and humanities, behavioral sciences, business, juvenile justice, communications, as well as other majors offered at the university.

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Qualifications for Honors Scholarships at Prairie View A&M University

*Honors Scholarship I

Entering Freshmen are required to have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 to 4.0 GPA; SAT Scores of 1720 or ACT Score of 24; A typed (Two-Page) Personal Statement; And an Interview with the Director of the Honors Program and the Honors Committee.

In order to maintain this scholarship, students will be required to meet the specific requirements of the Honors contract. The scholarship also requires that the student must maintain a 3.2 GPA and complete a minimum of 15 credit hours per semester to maintain the scholarship. Students will receive personalized advising each semester to ensure that Honors students meet all requirements and guidelines.

*Honors Scholarship II

These are smaller scholarships for Sophomores and Juniors who are recommended by Professors, Deans, and Academic Directors to become a part of the Honors Program. To be eligible, students with a 3.30 cumulative GPA from PVAMU will be considered, if nominated. Other Honors admission requirements include an interview, two letters of recommendation, and a (Two-Page) Personal Statement. All Honors students must adhere to an Honors contract to receive and maintain this scholarship.