Foothill College
Honors Institute Application

Foothill College welcomes all eligible students to participate in the Honors Institute! Because of the rigorous nature of the courses, students are required to meet the criteria outlined below. Prospective students who do not meet these criteria, but who believe they can successfully complete an honors course, are welcome to participate in the "Try an Honors Course" program (see below). Honors Institute applicants will receive a response to their application via email.

PRINT CLEARLY!

Name_____
Last *First* *Middle Initial*

Current Address_____
Number *Street* *Apt. #* *City* *State* *Zip*

Permanent Address_____
Number *Street* *Apt. #* *City* *State* *Zip*

E-Mail Address_____ Telephone (____)_____

Student ID Number_____ Proposed Major_____

<u>Applicants are required to provide evidence of completion for each of the criteria below</u>.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

1. **<u>Academic Performance</u>.**
   - **A.** For continuing Foothill College students, demonstrate a minimum 3.3 cumulative GPA in 10 or more units completed at Foothill College.

     OR
   - **B.** For students with less than 10 units completed at Foothill College, provide evidence of **<u>one</u>** of the following:
     1. Minimum 3.5 cumulative high school GPA; or,
     2. Minimum 3.3 cumulative GPA in 10 or more units completed at another regionally accredited college or university.

Check if attached. ☐

2. **<u>Writing Proficiency</u>.** Honors courses typically require more writing than non-honors courses. Students are required to demonstrate the potential for successful completion of honors courses by providing evidence of one of the following:
   - **A.** Foothill English Assessment Test results indicating eligibility for Honors ENGL 1AH; or,
   - **B.** Completion of ENGL 1A with a grade of B or better.

Check if attached. ☐

3. **<u>Personal Statement</u>**. On a separate sheet, using 150-200 words, please describe your interest in the Foothill College Honors Institute. Your statement should include what you hope to gain from your participation in the program as well as how you believe you will contribute to the program. Because honors courses are typically writing intensive, this statement should reflect appropriate writing skills. Remember that clear writing is the result of clear thinking.

Check if attached. ☐

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IMPORTANT: IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION PROCESS, PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT AND SIGN BELOW.

As a Foothill College honors student, I will join a community of scholars who are committed to excellence in the learning process. I promise that, as an honors student, I will pursue my studies with integrity and honesty; moreover, I know that any incident of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Evidence of academic dishonesty will result in my dismissal from the program. In addition, I understand that honors students are expected to demonstrate engagement in their learning, which means that I am expected to attend class regularly and participate actively. (Note: students who are uncomfortable participating in class discussions can explore oral communication courses with either Honors Institute staff or Foothill counselors. Some of the classes that have helped other students include COMM 1A, COMM 3, and ESL 165.)

Effective June 1, 2008, all new Foothill honors students are required to attend an Honors Institute New Student Orientation. Orientations are held twice monthly. Upon receipt of your application, you will receive a list of available orientation dates. Students who do not attend the orientation will be dropped from their honors courses. It is strongly recommended that all Foothill honors students meet with a Foothill counselor at least once each academic year for educational planning. Students may meet with any counselor; however, Foothill College also provides specialized honors counselors.

I have read and understand this application. The information provided on my application is accurate; moreover, my personal statement is my own original work.

Student Signature **Date**

****NOTE: To remain in good standing, Honors students must maintain a minimum 3.30 cumulative GPA.**

"Try an Honors Course" Program

As long as they have completed ENGL 1A or ESL 26 with a grade of A or B, fulfill the course prerequisite, and are in good standing, non-honors students may enroll in one honors course (space-available) per quarter. To participate, complete the "Try and Honors Course" form (available online and at the Honors Institute). Note: Prospective Foothill Honors Scholars and UCLA TAP applicants must be regular Honors Institute participants.

Thank you for your interest in the Foothill College Honors Institute. We're confident you will find our program stimulating, challenging and rewarding.

Contact Us!

We welcome your questions and feedback.

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