

HONORS COLLEGE

The Honors College at Grand Canyon University is dedicated to cultivating a learner-centric environment that promotes character and integrity, intellectual growth and practical application through interdisciplinary collaboration. We empower students to amplify their purpose through intentional curricula and comprehensive co-curricular experiences. Honors graduates emerge as adept communicators, evidence-based decision-makers and deliberate global contributors while becoming good stewards of their faith and purpose.

Exclusive honors opportunities, benefits and privileges include:

- College and curriculum founded on the five core domains of ethics,
 Access to the Leadership in Action Institute programming research, service, leadership and cultural awareness
- One-on-one mentoring with distinguished, honors-dedicated faculty members
- Invitations to interdisciplinary symposium seminars and exclusive speaker events on campus
- Honors mission trips and study abroad opportunities
- Annual international short-term global studies programs with ÷ honors peers
- Honors diploma and designation on transcripts
- Opportunities for internships and community service-learning projects

- and additional co-curricular offerings including:
 - Leadership in Action Fellowship
 - PAC Professional Development Program
 - Graduate School Comprehensive Advising Program
 - Young Athena Leadership Program
 - Men of VALOR Leadership Program
 - Pen to Purpose Journaling Program
 - Canyon Civic Institute
 - Peer mentoring and more
 - Honors housing for freshmen in Juniper Hall Building 84
- No additional fees to join

2025-26 HONORS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Academic Excellence Scholarship

This scholarship awards high academic achievers seeking academic rigor and excellence inside the classroom.

Servant Leadership Scholarship

This scholarship awards passionate servant leaders seeking to make an immediate impact on the honors community.

The 2025-26 Honors College scholarships are meant to award high-achieving students. These scholarships may be awarded in varying amounts per academic year. Applicants complete one application to be considered for either scholarship or both; however, applicants can only receive one scholarship. This is a highly competitive scholarship selection process and program; scholarship offers are not guaranteed to all applicants. These scholarships are stackable on top of other GCU-funded institutional aid but are subject to the GCU scholarship cap policy. Scholarships are renewable for up to eight semesters.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Incoming Transfer or Freshmen Student Scholarship Eligibility:

- Admissible into the Honors College
- Applicant displays a commitment to academic excellence, service and/or leadership

SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL CRITERIA

Academic Excellence

- Maintain a minimum 3.5 GCU GPA
- Attend three Honors College events each academic year
- Recipients are expected to actively engage in the academic experience (see application for full details)

Servant Leadership

- Maintain a minimum 3.25 GCU GPA
- · Attend three Honors College events each academic year
- Recipients are required to actively participate in the Leadership in Action (LIA) Fellowship for at least their first year (see application for full details)

APPLICATION MATERIALS

- · Complete online application form with short answer questions
- Professional headshot (2MB max size)
- Resume
- Three-minute video (max length)

Video Prompt: The video submission allows you to showcase what makes you, YOU. Videos will not be reviewed based on professional video quality or skills. However, they will be reviewed based on the quality of responses and creativity.

In addition to the general prompt above, please choose three of the six questions below to answer in your scholarship video:

- What social justice or global issue are you most passionate about, and what have you done or would like to do to advocate and/or contribute to the cause?
- 2. What are you most excited about being an honors student and/or what are you most nervous about being an honors student?
- 3. Describe the greatest accomplishment you have achieved so far.
- 4. If we were to connect with your high school teachers, coaches, club leadership, work supervisors or your peers, what would they say about you?
- 5. What do you want to accomplish in your life?
- 6. Tell us something about yourself that may not be clear from your application materials.

Important Note: Please upload your video to YouTube and make the link public for viewing. You can upload the video as unlisted so that only those with the link can view it. Submit your video link on the online application form. Videos longer than three (3) minutes will **NOT** be reviewed.

Applicants should contact their university admissions counselor (UAC) to discuss a detailed budget sheet with current scholarship and financial aid options. Applications will be reviewed by the Honors College's scholarship committee. Scholarship recipients will be notified via email of their scholarship decision.

Applicants must have applied and been accepted to GCU for general admissions prior to applying for both scholarships. Complete the admissions application with no fee at **apply.gcu.edu**

IMPORTANT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINES:

- Application Opens: Sept. 1, 2024
- Priority Consideration Deadline: Oct. 15, 2024
- Secondary Consideration Deadline: Jan. 15, 2025
- Late Consideration Deadline: March 15, 2025

APPLY HERE

Click here to start your application. Only completed application packets will be reviewed.

GET APPLICATION HELP

Click here for application tips and tricks.

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