About the Program

The Honors Program is an interdisciplinary community of highly motivated, talented and engaged students. It promotes academic excellence, personal growth and engaged learning in a community that is supportive, challenging, and enjoyable. The Honors college curriculum supports and enhances academic majors.

- **Honors classes** are at the center of the honors experience and provide students with unique learning opportunities. Honors courses fulfill basic requirements, liberal studies requirements and some STEM courses that are required of students at SRU, but do so in a small class setting customized for more engaging, interactive and appropriately challenging learning experiences.

- **Scholarship: Mentored Research** - All Honors students complete at least one independent research or arts project working with a professor in their discipline, and are encouraged to complete Honors Contract Courses that feature one on one faculty-student mentored academic projects.

- **Scholarship: Conferences** - Honors students are encouraged (with funding) to present their work at national and regional conferences. Students participate annually in the National Collegiate Honors Council Conference and present each year at the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Honors Conference. Honors students also present research at national and regional conferences in their disciplines every year.

Student Opportunities

- **International Learning** - The Honors Program coordinates annual international travel seminars for honors students often conducted during spring break and in the early summer. Recent examples include travel seminars in Italy, Egypt, Bermuda, Austria, Greece, Cuba, London, Belgium and France. The Honors Program awards 25 mini-grants to support honors international travel experiences each year.

- **Personal Growth: Leadership** - Honors students are involved and active in many campus organizations and activities. Leadership opportunities in the Honors Program include membership on the Honors Executive Board, events planning committees, community service planning committees, and peer mentorship.

- **Honors Scholarships** - The Honors Scholarship is currently set at $1,500 per year and is renewable for up to four years.

- **The Honors Living and Learning Community at Watson Hall** - Honors students are eligible to live in a community with fellow honors students in a prime location on campus. This supportive environment is often cited as one of the prime benefits of belonging to the Honors Program.
Criteria for Honors Program Admission

You may apply to the Honors Program anytime after you have been accepted to Slippery Rock University. Consideration is given to students who meet at least one of the following criteria:

• 3.8 or higher GPA
• SAT scores of 1220 (2016 version, critical reading and math only) or higher
• ACT composite score of 25 or higher
• Submit a one to two page essay introducing yourself and explaining why you are interested in the Honors Program, your qualifications for being a member of the Honors Program, and what you hope to contribute to the Honors Program experience.
• Submit a short resume that includes information about your academic honors and achievements, extra-curricular activities and leadership roles, work, community service, and other notable experiences.
• Our online application is located at: https://sruenrollment.wufoo.com/forms/honors-program-and-scholarship-application/

Honors Scholarships

• Eligibility: students with a high school GPA of 3.8 or higher, 1270 SAT (2016 version, critical reading and math) or ACT composite score of a 26 may apply for a scholarship.
• The Honors Scholarship Application is available on Slippery Rock University’s Honor Program website at: https://sruenrollment.wufoo.com/forms/honors-program-and-scholarship-application/