

The Honors & Scholars Program

For more than two decades, the Honors & Scholars Program at Virginia Wesleyan College has encouraged campus-wide scholarship. Through competitive, merit-based scholarships, the Program attracts students who will be intellectual leaders in the classroom and community leaders on campus. A personal and broad-based liberal arts education gives students the support and the scope needed to pursue any academic endeavor. Honors & Scholars members are pushed to create innovative approaches to core subjects by expanding on personal research or professional interests. Students' membership in the Honors & Scholars Program also affords them multiple advantages such as priority class registration, special housing and diverse co-curricular activities. Incoming freshmen and current Virginia Wesleyan students of all majors are encouraged to apply at either the Wesleyan Scholar or Presidential Scholar level.

Contact the Admissions Office for specific application deadlines for the Honors & Scholars Program.

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www.vwc.edu/academics/honors/*

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Scholarly Leadership and Civic Engagement

Honors & Scholars members are given the opportunity to challenge themselves academically by taking courses for

honors credit either by enrolling in special honors sections or challenging existing courses. The additional expectation in honors courses is that scholars will delve deeper into the subject material and use higher-level thinking skills.

Frequently, scholars engage in independent projects and work with professors to go beyond the usual disciplinary boundaries of a subject and develop individualized approaches to existing classes. Many projects focus on students' personal academic interests or future career pursuits.

A successful scholar is not only a leader in the classroom, but also contributes to the surrounding community. The Honors & Scholars Program requires that members complete community service hours in order to graduate as a Wesleyan or Presidential Scholar. Members are encouraged to engage in a variety of activities both on and off campus through numerous community partnerships.

Scholarship Opportunities

Virginia Wesleyan encourages and recognizes scholastic achievement by awarding merit-based scholarships to incoming freshmen. Applicants with a high school GPA of 3.5 and a SAT score of at least 1150 or an ACT score of at least 26 may be eligible for scholarships up to comprehensive tuition, room and board fees.*

A Community of Scholars

The benefits of being a member of the Honors & Scholars Program do not end in the classroom.

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

Throughout the year, a variety of entertaining and educational programs are made available to members.

PRIORITY REGISTRATION

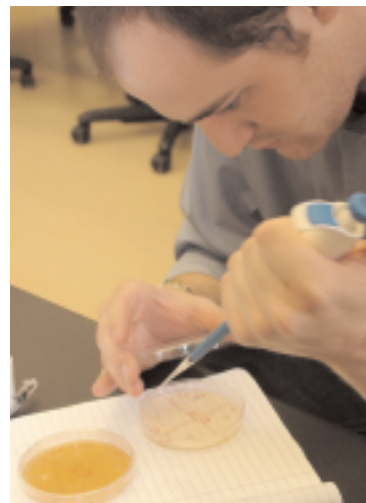
Honors & Scholars members are the first students on campus to register for classes.

HONORS HOUSING

Virginia Wesleyan offers an academically-oriented living environment that is conducive to learning and interacting with other students.

As a Graduate

The Honors & Scholars Program not only gives students a structure to further explore personal academic or career interests, but also provides an experience that is considered invaluable by potential employers and graduate or professional schools. Honor & Scholars alumni have been successful in gaining admission to a variety of prestigious schools and programs, including the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Dentistry, University of Virginia School of Law, Harvard Divinity School and a variety of other programs. Students have full access to the Career Services Center and those interested in graduate or professional school can take their placement exams in the Testing Center on campus.



How to Apply

Incoming freshmen must first submit a completed application package. The application also serves as a scholarship application. Students interested in competing during the Early Admission Scholarship Competition must apply before the end of October. Applications for the February competitions are due in December. Contact the Admissions Office for specific dates.

Students who have a GPA of 3.5 and at least an 1150* SAT or a 26 ACT score may be asked to interview during the Wesleyan Scholarship Competition. Candidates will contend for scholarships up to comprehensive tuition, room and board fees. These scholarships are awarded to first-year students with both high academic and extracurricular profiles.

The Honors & Scholars Program is open to all Virginia Wesleyan students who meet the requirements, regardless of their scholarship status. Students may apply to the Honors & Scholars Program once they meet the minimum GPA requirement. Current students should contact Dr. Joyce Easter for application information.

** Only critical reading and math scores will be considered.*

Presidential Scholar	Wesleyan Scholar
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain a 3.4 GPA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain a 3.5 GPA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete three Honors courses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete six Honors courses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perform 20 hours of community service and record hours on Volunteer Service Log 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No more than three courses from one academic division
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perform 40 hours of community service and record hours on Volunteer Service Log