At the end of my senior year, the Presidential Honors Program allowed me the opportunity to attend a professional conference of my choice. I selected a political science convention outside of New York City because I had always wanted to travel there. While at this convention I got the opportunity to discuss political science and philosophy with students from Harvard, Yale, and Stanford. It was there that I realized that my Tarleton education could hold its own against those Ivy League schools.

Sabina Landeros
Principal at Santa Fe Elementary, Principal Fellow of Raise Your Hand Texas; MEd in Educational Administration

So Why Honors?
Would you like to be part of an Honors community dedicated to academic excellence, leadership, and service?
Tarleton’s two Honors programs, the Presidential Honors Program and the Honors Degree Program, combine the advantages of a small liberal arts college with the diversity of a comprehensive state university.

Freshmen in the Honors College

live together in the Honors Hall, one of the premier residence halls on campus, grouped by majors and similar majors

take Honors sections of core courses together, many of them in the classrooms in the Honors Hall

are advised by an Honors College academic advisor in the Honors Hall

register early each semester

participate in activities and events of cultural and educational enrichment such as: attending music events at Bass Performance Hall in Fort Worth; presenting at the Great Plains Honors Council annual meeting; attending public lectures, debates, and discussions of the major issues of the day

join a network of successful Honors College alumni who are eager to provide career advice, shadowing opportunities, summer internships, and other forms of support

have an opportunity to study for a month in Italy in the summer

Honors College Advising and Registration
Students who have been accepted to the Honors College sign up for one-on-one advising and registration sessions, either in person or on Zoom. Incoming freshmen will be advised and registered during the week preceding the orientation session they sign up for, so signing up for an early orientation is highly recommended. Returning students are eligible for early priority registration. Early registration allows you the most flexibility in building a schedule.

Honors Owl Camps
Several Owl Camps during the summer give you an opportunity to come celebrate being a part of the Honors College.

meet with experienced Honors students in your major

get to know other incoming Honors freshmen

meet the Honors Hall Residential Coordinator

enjoy your first meal as an official Honors student

tour the Honors Hall

Summer Study in Urbino, Italy
Urbino has been referred to as “la città ideale” (the ideal city) of the Italian Renaissance. The Honors College hosts an affordable month-long summer study abroad program in Urbino. Students study many facets of the Italian Renaissance and can receive up to six hours of Honors credit.
When I applied to Tarleton, it was the monetary value of the President’s Honors Scholarship that first drew me in. I auditioned with four other students for a position playing an instrument for a FESP (Fall Enrichment Program), and I learned that the value of the program and that the money that was the first of FESP gave me the pride that I took to honors classes, it allowed closure access to professors, who built my confidence and helped me to meet amazing friends and colleagues. It was truly a privilege to a part of this phenomenal program. Dr. Nathan Lesley orthopedic surgeon at the Hand to Shoulder Center in Fort Worth, Texas Graduated Magna Cum Laude in Animal Biology Graduate of the Texas Tech University School of Medicine

What is different about Honors Classes? 

- limited to around 25 students 
- taught by distinguished senior faculty members 
- offer intellectually challenging material 
- offer innovative approaches to the subject 
- offer increased opportunities for honing critical thinking and writing skills 
- offer the opportunity to interact closely with similarly motivated students 
- emphasize discussion and student participation 
- use primary sources and monographs over textbooks 
- use special lab equipment that would not be available to most undergraduate students 
- emphasize student projects and research 
- emphasize essay exams over multiple choice

When I entered the manager’s office and asked her why I was hired when I applied last June to a position that I had very little experience in. She looked at me a little funny and then said that it was my education that got me the interview and especially her education and especially my participation in the Honors program got me in the door, and the grooming and training that I received in that same Honors program may also be considered. Interested students should submit a President’s Honors Program Application.

Apply for Presidential Honors Program www.tarleton.edu/honors

Scholarships

Presidential Honors Scholars receive an annual scholarship of $7,000, renewable for up to four years of undergraduate work, Premier Dirk Schumann, who participates in the Presidential Honors Program receives an annual scholarship of $9,000.

Apply for scholarships www.tarleton.edu/scholarships

Expectations

Presidential Honors Scholars must maintain at least a 3.4 cumulative Tarleton GPA. They also must complete a minimum of 10 hours of solid academic courses every semester. Tarleton Honors students enrolled in Honors sections of core courses, a four-semester Presidential Honors Seminar, two special three-hour Honors Seminars, the Writing Seminar, and junior years, and an independent research project during their senior year.

Questions

1. What is different about Honors Classes?

2. What are the expectations for Presidential Honors Scholars?

3. How do I apply for the President’s Honors Scholarship?

4. What are the admission criteria for the Presidential Honors Program?

5. What are the scholarship options available?

6. What are the requirements for upper-level honors?

7. How can I apply for upper-level honors?

8. What is the Honors Core program about?

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10. What are the opportunities available for students in the Honors Program?

11. What are the benefits of participating in the Honors Program?

12. How can I get involved in the Honors Program?

13. What are the admission requirements for the Honors Program?

14. How do I apply for financial aid?

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16. What are the career prospects for Honors graduates?

17. What are the opportunities for Honors graduates after graduation?

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