

# Prince George's Community College Honors Academy

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The Honors Academy at Prince George's Community College is for academically outstanding students who are interested in a rigorous program of academic excellence, intellectual development, leadership, and community service.

## Benefits of the Honors Academy

### • Financial Support

An Honors Academy Scholar receives in-county tuition financial support from Prince George's Community College as long as he or she satisfies the requirements of the Academy. Upon graduation from Prince George's Community College, the Honors Academy Scholar will receive Honors recognition, a seamless transfer to one of the partnering four-year colleges, and financial support at the four-year institution.

### • Excellent Education and Opportunities

At Prince George's Community College, Honors Academy Scholars:

- enroll in Honors courses
- have an Honors Academy advisor
- become a member of the college's Honors Society
- will be eligible for induction into Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society

Honors Academy partnering institutions include American University Kogod School of Business; Howard University; St. Mary's College; Towson University; University of Maryland, Baltimore County; and University of Maryland, College Park. Upon graduation from Prince George's Community College, the Honors Academy scholar receives Honors Academy recognition and may seamlessly transfer to a partnering institution. Honors Academy students must be interested in transferring to one of these partnering institutions.

## Obligations of an Honors Academy Scholar

- if a student is admitted to the Honors Academy, he or she must:
- meet with the Honors Academy Advisor within a month of admission to the Academy
- meet with the Honors Academy Advisor each semester for an academic advising appointment
- complete a minimum of 7 Honors courses
- maintain a cumulative 3.5 grade point average or higher
- perform 15 hours of approved community service and leadership each semester (depending on Covid-19 precautions)
- attend school full-time (minimum of 12 credits)
- join Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society when eligible
- abide by the Honors Academy contract

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# Prince George's Community College Honors Academy Admission Criteria

Admission to the Honors Academy is *competitive*.

Review the following Preliminary Honors Academy Qualifiers to determine if you should complete the Honors Academy Application at this time.

## **For current College Students: Preliminary Honors Academy Qualifiers**

If you are a PGCC student and can check "Yes" for each of the following requirements, you should consider applying for admission to the Honors Academy.

Yes      No

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | currently a member of the Honors Program  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3.5 minimum cumulative college GPA based on at least 12 credits                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | one of the General Education courses completed is English 1010 or English 1010H with an A grade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | completed MAT 0104  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | will be a full-time student spring semester 2024  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | will transfer to one of the partner institutions (see page 1)                                   |



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**Prince George’s Community College  
Honors Academy Application  
Application Deadline for Fall Consideration: **December 1, 2023 by 4:30pm****

**Part I**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
                                First    Middle    Last

Circle one:     Miss    Ms.    Mrs.    Mr.    PGCC ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Prince George’s County resident? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No

What is your legal status? Please circle: U.S. citizen    Permanent resident    F-1    H-4    Other \_\_\_\_\_

List other scholarships you have applied for or will receive. \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the Honors Academy? \_\_\_\_\_

**Must be completed by college students only:**

What year do you expect to graduate from Prince George’s Community College? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of credits completed \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_ English 1010 Grade \_\_\_\_\_

List General Education courses completed \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

List Honors courses completed \_\_\_\_\_

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**COMPLETE PARTS II- VI on the next page and include when submitting your application**



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### Part II

Type a 500-word double-spaced essay explaining your educational philosophy and how the Honors Academy will benefit from admitting you. Your essay will be evaluated for thoughtfulness of content, ability to express thought, grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

### Part III

Obtain and include with your application **two letters of recommendation**: one from a PGCC faculty member and the second can be faculty or a program coordinator. **Ask your recommender to address the letter to the Honors Academy Review Committee.**

### Part IV

Attach a **resume** including your leadership and community activities.

### Part V

For spring 2024 Honors Academy admission consideration, complete and submit Parts I, II, III, and IV by **December 1, 2023**. **Applicants who meet the criteria will be required to interview “virtually” with the Honors Academy Review Committee.**

Honors Academy Application Review Committee  
Email: [honors@pgcc.edu](mailto:honors@pgcc.edu)

### Part VI

If you have questions, email:  
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