May We Have the Honor...
The Mercy College Honors Program offers unique preparation for high achieving students through exceptional academic challenges, an enriched learning experience, and engaging co-curricular activities.

The Honors curriculum brings together talented students and distinguished faculty in small classes created to foster creativity and independent thought. The supportive faculty of the program—many of whom are Fulbright scholars, published authors, and leading practitioners—encourage students to achieve at a higher level as well as develop strong competencies in critical thinking, oral and written communication, and qualitative reasoning. Scholars participate in the classroom with open discussions and enhanced professor-student interaction.

The Honors Program activities are selected to expand students’ awareness of the cultural, social, and historical diversity of the world. Honors students are invited to participate in exclusive seminar opportunities with world leaders, academic scholars, and industry executives.
ABOUT MERCY COLLEGE

Mercy College is nestled alongside the Hudson River in Dobbs Ferry, New York, and is just minutes from Manhattan. Other campuses are located in the Bronx, Manhattan, White Plains, and Yorktown Heights. Mercy College has over 9,000 students studying in over 90 undergraduate and graduate programs, taught by Fulbright scholars, published authors, and national experts in their fields. Mercy College offers a quality liberal arts and professional education within its five schools: Business, Education, Health and Natural Sciences, Liberal Arts, and Social and Behavioral Sciences.

MERCY COLLEGE HONORS SELECTION PROCESS

Admission to the Mercy College Honors Program is highly competitive and by invitation only. Qualified freshmen and transfer students may be nominated or selected by the Honors Committee during the Mercy College application process. Nomination is based on high academic achievement, leadership, and community service. Letters of invitation are offered following acceptance to Mercy College.

Go to www.Mercy.edu/honors for a nomination form and application.

Smaller is smarter.

Honors classes average less than 20 students to ensure a comfortable environment and the personal attention you need to succeed.
You can have the honor of looking at art through different eyes with Dr. Dodsworth during her creative class on art and culture.

Dr. Dodsworth does not teach a typical art history class. In her class, you will not just learn how to look at a work of art, but how to feel, read, and communicate with it. Dr. Dodsworth challenges her students to immerse themselves into the complexity of art, to develop objective opinions, stimulate intelligent discussion, and even rebut with some feverish feedback.

Merci, Mercy.

Learn overseas. Mercy College offers Honors students the opportunity to experience exciting study abroad programs.
AN ACADEMICALLY ENRICHED ENVIRONMENT

Representative Honors Program Courses

Honors Biology: Darwin’s Legacy
This course examines not only the fundamental impact of Darwin’s Theory of Evolution by Natural Selection upon the study of biology, but also its effects on religion, philosophy, history, psychology, and politics.

Honors English: The Quest in Western Literature
An analysis of a number of literary texts, primarily the Aeneid, the Divine Comedy, and Don Quixote, in which protagonists embark on journeys of exploration and adventure to examine the passions and polemics of their times.

Honors Music: Jazz
A survey of jazz through the past hundred years. The course analyzes its essential musical elements, creative processes, and the intimate connections with race, class, and culture.

Honors History of Art: Art and Culture
Primarily concerned with the period from Late Antiquity to Early Modernism, this course concentrates on themes of community, looking at how art reflects the development of political, social, and religious communities.

Honors Humanities: The Performing Arts as a Living Text
A cross-discipline approach designed to cultivate an appreciation of the performing arts. The course includes selected readings in world literature from various genres, complementing related activities like museums, concert halls, and conferences.

Hands-on experience.

Learning about jazz is one thing, but playing jazz during your Honors music class is another! Honors faculty create classes that keep you involved.
You can have the honor of debating evolution with Dr. Minorsky in his provocative *Darwin’s Legacy* course.

Dr. Minorsky knows that basic biology textbooks may not be the best thing for your intellectual evolution. An exciting exploration into the mind of Charles Darwin, his world changing discoveries, and how they continually effect human behavior, are much more nourishing and encouraging of personal growth.

Field trip!

What better way to learn about primates than watching them at the nearby Bronx Zoo? Honors students have the opportunity to think beyond geographic boundaries for a lifetime of learning.
GET WHAT YOU DESERVE

Laptop Computer
Technology plays an important role in the Honors Program curriculum, therefore each student is issued a personal laptop computer. Professors incorporate creative teambuilding exercises, research projects and online class discussions beyond the classroom.

Small Classes
Honors classes have average enrollments of less than 20 students, allowing maximum opportunity for in-depth interaction with Mercy College's distinguished faculty. In Honors classes, students feel more comfortable contributing to class discussions and participating in group activities.

Priority Registration
Students are given the first opportunity to register for classes. This ensures that participants of the Honors track do not get blocked from any courses they wish to take and allows for the creation of an ideal course schedule.

Click on success.

Mercy College strives to provide all of the resources necessary for a successful education, that's why we give you a personal laptop for both in class activities and personal use.
ACADEMIC ADVANTAGES

**Honors Residence**
Students may request space in the Honors Residence Hall wing on the Dobbs Ferry campus; however, it is not a requirement of the Program.

**Study Abroad**
The Program provides students the opportunity to live and study in places around the world and expose them to history, art, economics, sciences and culture with first-hand experience.

**Prepared to Succeed**
Students in the Honors Program will have the choice of several prestigious internship placements during their junior and senior years. Students will have the opportunity to work with a career counselor and faculty mentor to develop a personalized career plan, with an emphasis on career-related decision making, successful job search, resume and cover letter writing, networking, and interviewing.

First in line.
You’ll never have to worry about missing out on the class you need to take. As an honor student, you have priority when registering for classes.
You can have the honor of thinking on a global scale with Dr. Milton in his eye opening class on International Business.

Dr. Milton knows that teaching current events is not enough to understand the challenges in world business. His class delves into the history of international relations. Students also research cultural differences and understand how those differences effect international relations. In Dr. Milton’s class, he does not just teach what the issues are, he instills within his students the desire to think about how these issues can be improved.

Big business. Big opportunities.

Whether working for an international bank or assisting in the technology sector, the Mercy College Honors Program has the internships you need to succeed.
SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Honors Scholarships
Mercy College Honors Scholarships are awarded on the basis of superior academic performance. Each year Mercy College awards merit-based scholarships to incoming Honors scholars who have outstanding academic achievement records. All candidates are considered for scholarships at the time they apply for the Program; **there is no separate application.** Selections will be made by the Honors Scholarship Committee.

Awards and Recognition

*Honors Medallion Society*
10 Honors students per year will be inducted into the Honors Medallion Society in recognition of outstanding academic achievements, community engagement, and/or leadership. The members of the Medallion Society will receive exclusive invitations to participate at regional and national honors conferences, as well as recognition upon graduation.

*Honors Fellows*
Each year 25 students will be selected as Honors Fellows in recognition of academic excellence and remarkable management skills. As emerging leaders, the Fellows are invited to participate in the Student Ambassador Program.

Think outside of the box.
Learning doesn’t only happen within the walls of the classroom. With Manhattan only minutes away, you have easy access to cultural events, museums, and everything the City has to offer.