



## **Admissions Policy for Continuing/Transfer Students**

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The following criteria are required for admission of continuing or transfer students into the Honors Program at Bowling Green State University. A “continuing student” is any student with at least one completed semester at BGSU. A “transfer student” is one with at least one completed semester at another university.

### ***A student wishing to apply to the Honors Program must:***

1. Have a minimum university cumulative GPA of 3.5. Transfer students must provide an official university transcript. The transcript for continuing students will still be assessed, but continuing students do not need to provide an official transcript as their records are accessible to the Honors Program as a current BGSU student.
2. Be able to take a minimum of 15 hours of Honors courses. Please note that most of the Honors classes offered are BG Perspective (general education courses); if you have taken most of your general education courses, you may not be eligible for the Honors Program. Your transcript will be individually reviewed to determine whether or not you will be able to meet this application requirement.
3. Meet with the Assistant Director at least a month before the term you are applying for to begin the process of course scheduling. If admitted, during your first semester of enrollment in the Honors Program, you must take at least one Honors course.
4. Answer the following essay: Respond to the following quotation in an essay of 300 – 500 words. In your response, make sure that you build and defend an argument in favor of a clearly defined stance. Your stance should be thoughtfully supported with well-chosen reasons and evidence. Furthermore, your reasons and evidence probably should consider and address the ways in which your own values, background and experience figure into the stance that you adopt. Note that it is not necessary to research, read or refer to the texts from which the quotation is taken; we are looking for original, personal responses to the quote.

*Quotation:* “To travel is to discover that everyone is wrong about other [places].” – Aldous Huxley

5. A student wishing to remain in the Honors Program must complete at least fifteen credit hours of Honors course work by the end of their fourth semester in the Program; including the core curriculum HNRS 2010 (taken the first fall semester you are in the program) followed immediately in the spring semester by HNRS 2020. This is a requirement for all Honors students and it is highly encouraged to take HNRS 2010 before HNRS 2020. Please refer to the requirements for Graduation with Honors in order to plan for this. At least one Honors course must be taken during your first semester in the program.