

# Honors Program Application

## Frequently Asked Questions

**We strongly recommend that you prepare your responses ahead of time by utilizing a word processing program. Then, copy/paste the responses or upload the files into the appropriate places in the application.**

1. **Eligibility for the UNK Honors Program Admittance:** All admitted UNK students who have demonstrated academic motivation, intellectual curiosity, and a strong commitment to personal growth are welcome to apply for Honors Program admittance.
2. **Eligibility for the UNK Honors Program Scholarships:** All UNK Honors Program applicants who have gained admittance are reviewed for scholarships if the application is completed and submitted by **January 7**. All applicants who have not yet gained admittance to the Honors Program, should apply and complete both admittance and scholarship sections by **January 7**.
3. **Application Submission:** To submit the application, fill out all required fields in the following application, which is available by clicking "Next Page". If you wish to apply for UNK Honors Program scholarships, select "Yes" on the scholarship page and fill out the additional essay. You will also need to have a recommendation letter submitted on your behalf (see #6). You will not be able to apply for scholarships after January 7.
4. **Admittance Essay Question:** This essay is required to be considered for admittance to the Honors Program. The 2023 essay prompt for admittance is: Describe two self-motivated, academic goals you have achieved and exactly how you accomplished these. Include your response to the above prompt in a well-structured essay. 500 words is a suggested length for a complete essay. Make sure you write your essay offline using word processing software in case there are problems with the online application. You may copy and paste into the provided text box or upload a document.
5. **Scholarship Essay Question (for scholarships only):** Scholarships are for first-time freshmen only. The 2023 essay prompt for scholarships is: Describe two of the hardest problems you solved and exactly how you solved them. Include your response to the above prompt in a well-structured essay. 500 words is a suggested length for a complete essay. Make sure you write your essay offline using word processing software in case there are problems with the online application. You may copy and paste into the provided text box or upload a document.
6. **Letter of Recommendation (for scholarships only):** For scholarships only, we will ask you to submit a name and email address of a person who would provide a letter of recommendation. You might ask a high school teacher, counselor, or other relevant individual who can attest to your academic abilities and potential for success in the Honors Program to submit this recommendation letter. When you submit your application, the email address of the person provided will be sent an email with

instructions on how to upload and submit a recommendation letter for you. Make sure you speak with your person providing your recommendation in advance, so they are aware of the deadlines and the expected email. This recommender should submit their letter no later than January 7.

7. **Document Uploads:**

- a. **Resume:** [Please use the Honors Program resume format](#). This format will help the Honors staff when reviewing your application.
- b. **High School Transcript:** You will upload your most current High School transcript. Six-semester transcripts (three year) are allowed for first-time freshmen.
- c. **ACT Scores:** To submit your official ACT scores, please either save your ACT report or screenshot your composite score, super score, and individual test scores and submit them through this form. [A how-to print your ACT scores and save them as a PDF is located here.](#)

8. **Submission Deadlines:**

- a. UNK Honors Program scholarship applications are due by January 7. Late submissions for scholarships will not be considered.
- b. If you wish to apply for admittance only to UNK Honors, your application must be received by April 1.

9. **Notification:** Applicants will be notified of their admittance status according to their application date (see below). If admitted, your admittance letter will provide instructions on the next steps. All scholarship statuses will be communicated on January 31.

<b>Application received by:</b>	<b>Notified regarding admittance by:</b>
Nov 1	Nov 15
Dec 1	Dec 15
Jan 7*	Jan 31*
Feb 1	Feb 15
Mar 1	Mar 15
Apr 1	Apr 15

\*All scholarship decisions will be made by January 31 and all applicants notified.

10. **Further questions:** For any further inquiries or assistance with the application process, please contact the Honors Program Office at [honors@unk.edu](mailto:honors@unk.edu) or 308.865.8894.