



APPLICATION PROCESS AND MATERIALS

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FIRST TIME IN COLLEGE

Students who meet the following criteria qualify automatically for honors program membership:

- 3.5 or higher high school GPA **and**
- 1200 reading & writing + quantitative SAT **or** 25 or higher ACT

Students who have earned a 3.5 or higher high school GPA but have lower (or no) standardized test scores may apply for honors review by sending the following materials:

- high school transcript
- two letters of recommendation (*on letterhead*) from teachers who have taught the student in the classroom during the junior or senior year
- completed Boone Honors Program application
- an essay of 500-750 words on one of the topics listed below

TRANSFER OR CURRENTLY ENROLLED FERRUM STUDENTS

Students who have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.4 or higher in at least 15 credit hours of full-time college coursework at Ferrum or elsewhere may also apply for honors review by following the process described above.

Note: To allow adequate time for completing honors program requirements by graduation, enrolled Ferrum students and transfers are advised to request honors review *no later than* midterm during the third semester of full-time college coursework.

*APPLICATION ESSAY GUIDELINES AND PROMPTS

Choose ONE of the following prompts for an essay of at least 500 and no more than 750 words. (Please type the word count in parentheses at the end of the document.)

- 1) How participation in an honors program would help me to fulfill the Ferrum College motto "Not self, but others"
- 2) How a transformative experience in the past helps me to understand the Ferrum College motto "Not self, but others"

Applications can be submitted using a Google form: <https://forms.gle/Dh6G5PBZfWVTnhHi8>