



George M. Luckey, Jr. Academic Honors Program Application Deadline: December 1, 2020

The Honors Scholarship is highly competitive and will be offered to a limited number of entering freshmen each year. Before completing the Honors Scholarship Application, you must separately submit a complete University Admissions Application Packet found at (<http://www.moreheadstate.edu/apply>), high school transcript and ACT/SAT test scores to:

Office of Enrollment Services
121 Second Street
Morehead State University
Morehead, KY 40351

Recipients of the Honors Scholarship receive the following benefits:

- Scholarship covers tuition, on-campus housing in the Honors residence area in Fields Hall, a meal plan, and \$500 per semester in credit at the University Store, and is applied after other eligible aid is posted. Total financial aid may not exceed total cost of attendance.
- Participation in the George M. Luckey, Jr. Academic Honors Program, access to the Honors suite, and residence in the Honors Learning Community
- An Undergraduate Research Fellowship with a faculty mentor
- Opportunities for regional engagement, service-learning and volunteer experiences
- Up to \$1500 in funds to be used for a required overseas experience
- Priority Registration

Scholarship students will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Academic achievement, including grade point average and test scores, as well as challenging coursework.
- Leadership and service experiences
- Awards and recognitions
- Essay
- Sample of Work
- Interview

Applicants are strongly encouraged to visit campus and to review the Honors Handbook before applying. The Handbook can be found at (www.moreheadstate.edu/honors).



The **postmark** deadline for all application materials is December 1, although we strongly encourage students to submit their application earlier. **Please DO NOT send your application by UPS or Express Mail.** We anticipate that we will be conducting interviews in January 2021.

Applicant Information Sheet (Please type)
(Please attach a recent photograph.)

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Ethnicity: *Are you Hispanic or Latino?* _____ No, not Hispanic or Latino _____ Yes, Hispanic or Latino

Race: (*Select one or more*) _____ Black/African American _____ American Indian or Alaskan Native
_____ Asian _____ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander _____ White/Non-Hispanic

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
County(for Kentucky residents) _____

Date: _____ Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

E-mail address: _____ High School: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Hometown Newspaper: _____

Grade point average: _____ Unweighted _____ Weighted (if reported on transcript)

ACT/SAT composite score: _____ (*if you retake the ACT/SAT, please send your new scores directly to the Honors Program Office, UPO 665, Morehead, KY 40351 in addition to updating Enrollment Services.*)

Special note: If you have been unable to take the ACT/SAT because of the pandemic, please explain in a note attached to your application.

Have you been accepted to Morehead State University? _____ YES _____ NO

Please describe any college work you have completed or expect to complete before Fall 2020, whether by examination or coursework; provide transcripts if available.

Leadership roles you have held at school or in the community: (*Attach additional pages if necessary*)



Awards and recognitions: (*This category includes, but is not limited to, participation in the YMCA Black Achievers Program, Governor's Scholars Program, Governor's School for the Arts and Rogers Scholars Program*). List here or use additional sheet if needed. **DO NOT send copies of your awards.**

Name of one recommender: _____
(principal, teacher, guidance counselor, or an instructor with whom you have had at least one class, etc.)
Instructions for recommender are on page 4.

Application Essay Instructions:

Please choose **one** of the topics given below, and write a substantial essay (2-3 pages, typed, double-spaced) according to the instructions. As you work, remember this advice: do not try to guess what we want you to say. We do not have a "right" answer in mind; rather, we are giving you an opportunity to do some interesting thinking, and express yourself.

- 1) The great French writer and philosopher Albert Camus once stated, near the end of his novel *The Plague*, "There is more to admire in people than to despise." In recent months, people's characters have been put to the test in many ways. If you agree with Camus, describe the examples and experiences from the time of the pandemic that have led you to that conclusion.
- 2) Many people move to different regions, or even different countries, in the course of their lives; others tend to remain close to their birthplace, or to return there eventually. On the basis of what you know about yourself and your plans as of now, are you more likely to stay close to home, or to end up somewhere completely different? We are not asking you to justify your choice—either option could make perfectly good sense—but simply to analyze it. What are the practical and emotional factors that will influence your decision? Which will probably be the deciding factors?
- 3) People who apply for this scholarship tend to be ambitious; indeed, their ambition motivates them to take on challenges such as applying for this extremely competitive and prestigious award. You probably have multiple ambitions, but for this essay we are asking you to focus on one: either one of those listed below, or an ambition you describe in your own words. Where does that ambition come from? What will you have to do to give yourself the best chance of fulfilling the ambition? Have you been encouraged or discouraged by others who know about your ambition? Why do you think that achieving your ambition will help make you the person you want to be?
 - a. Win recognition
 - b. Earn a very good living
 - c. Make a difference in your community
 - d. Lead a life rich in experiences
 - e. Other (your choice)



- 4) Please recommend a specific work of art to us: for example, a book, a poem, a movie, a television series, or a piece of music. In choosing the piece to recommend, try to think of something that you suspect we don't already know, but the main criterion is that you believe it is a wonderful piece of work. In your essay, describe the piece, tell us about your personal history with it, and explain why you believe that knowing it will enhance our lives.

Sample of work:

We would like to see a sample of your best work, in any field or format: for example, a mathematical proof, a lab report, a short story, a musical performance, a drawing, etc...the choice is yours. Please send only one copy of your sample in an accessible format: in written form, as a photograph, or as a recording, for example. Please do not send your only copy, as we will not be able to return samples. If you send a CD/DVD, please make sure it is not blank. We will not contact you for a working copy. Also, please include a brief written description of your sample.

We do not expect you to generate new work for this application: just pick something you have already done, and of which you are proud.

Letters of Recommendation Instructions

To the recommender:

Thank you for taking the time to provide a detailed and thoughtful recommendation for this student. The Honors Scholarship, our most prestigious and competitive scholarship, will be awarded to a limited number of students each year.

Since all applicants will have outstanding grade point averages and test scores, please focus in your letter on additional accomplishments and characteristics. Does the student go beyond what is required to earn a good grade in a class? Does she accept the responsibilities and challenges of leadership? Does he show strong curiosity about the world outside his local community? In short, what sets this student apart from others with similar grades and scores?

Please submit your letter to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your name written across the seal so he/she may place it in the application packet.



Honors Scholarship Application Checklist

- Applicant Information Sheet (4 copies)
- Application Essay (4 copies)
- Letter of Recommendation (in a sealed envelope)
- Sample of Work with Brief Written Description (1 copy)
- Recent Photograph (1 copy)

**Paper clip the copies together. Do NOT put in a notebook, binder, or any other special holder.

Please submit all Honors Scholarship application checklist materials via **U.S Mail** to the address listed below. Incomplete or misdirected application packets will not be considered. Receipt of your application will be confirmed by e-mail. **So that we will have a reliable e-mail address for you, and so that we will know to expect your application, please send an e-mail to Dr. Krummrich (p.krummrich@moreheadstate.edu) informing him that you have mailed your packet. Please check your e-mail regularly, since it will be our primary way of communicating with you.**

Any questions should be directed to:
Dr. Philip Krummrich, Director
George M. Luckey, Jr. Academic Honors Program
Phone: (606) 783-2726
E-mail: p.krummrich@moreheadstate.edu

Mail your application packet to:
Dr. Philip Krummrich
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