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ACADEMIC HONORS PROGRAMS

Program Description

As a member of the National Collegiate Honors Council, Colorado Mesa University's Honors Program offers highly-motivated undergraduates enriched studies in their academic majors. Based within each academic department, completion of honors requirements varies by academic program, but each includes opportunities for students to actively engage in more advanced study through coursework and a capstone project that can include research or creative work presented in a scholarly venue. Students completing a program's academic honors requirements are recognized at CMU's Commencement Ceremony.

At a minimum, students seeking participation in an Academic Honors Program must have earned at least 45 semester credit hours with a minimum 3.5 grade point average (GPA) at the time of application; academic programs may have additional admissions criteria. An application process occurs each spring semester, and interested students should contact the Academic Department Head for the application deadline. In addition to the credit hour and GPA qualifications, an applicant also should submit:

- a. the application form; and
- b. a summary of no more than one, single-spaced page that:
 - i. details the applicant's academic background, community and/or University service, and academic awards; and
 - ii. describes briefly why they are applying for an academic honors program of study.

Admission to the Academic Honors Program in each department is competitive. Applications will be reviewed by faculty members in the appropriate program/department, and students will be notified on their acceptance status within the time frame indicated in the program-specific information.

Contact Information

Please contact the appropriate Academic Department Head for the major.