

# Cabrillo College

## Honors Transfer Program

### Minimum Qualifications

*Note: Meeting minimum qualifications does not guarantee admission into the program.*

#### Academic Preparation

- A. **For continuing Cabrillo students**, a minimum 3.3 cumulative GPA. Students must have completed 6 or more transferable units in courses numbered 1-99.
- B. **For new students arriving directly from high school**, provide evidence of one of the following: minimum 3.5 weighted high school GPA in A-G requirements; **or**, SAT total of at least 1400 (new); **or** Enhanced ACT composite of 29+.
- C. **For new students who have previously attended an accredited college or university**, provide evidence of a 3.3 cumulative GPA in 6 or more transferable units equivalent to Cabrillo's courses numbered 1-99.

#### Writing Proficiency

Honors courses typically require substantial writing and critical thinking. Provide evidence of one of the following:

- Minimum AP English score of 3 (4 preferred); or, IB Language A – Score of 5, or
- Completion of English 100 (or equivalent) with a grade of B or better, or
- Completion of English 1A (or equivalent) with a grade of B or better, or
- CAASPP EAP test resulting score: **2682 and above** (waives assessment and places into ENGL 1A)

#### Letter of Recommendation

Please submit a brief letter of recommendation from an instructor or counselor who can attest to your academic strengths and abilities.

#### Essay

Within the on-line Honors application, write 250 words addressing one of the following prompts:

- The subject matter of Honors courses includes questions and content which encourage students to think in new and challenging ways. Tell us about a situation or idea that challenged you, how you handled it and where it has led.
- OR**
- Honors students are naturally curious. Tell us about an idea that piqued your curiosity and where this led you.

Because honors courses are typically writing intensive, your essay should reflect your writing skills.

The essay and letter of recommendation will be part of the criteria considered in gaining admission to the program.

Prospective students who **do not meet** the minimum qualifications, but who feel they can successfully complete honors courses, are welcome to provide an additional written statement of 150-200 words. This statement should address:

- your interest in the program
- what you hope to gain from your participation
- what you believe you will contribute to the program
- any unique qualifications that may not be demonstrated in the eligibility requirements.

**NOTE:** Students must maintain a 3.30 cumulative GPA while enrolled in the Honors Transfer Program.

To achieve Honors Scholar status, students must complete at least 4 or 5 honors courses (minimum of 15 units) with a minimum transferable GPA of 3.40 in all transferable courses. Honors scholar status will be noted on the official Cabrillo College transcript.

For more information go to: <http://go.cabrillo.edu/honors>

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