

## Honor College Application Essay Examples

I will contribute to the UIC Honors College with my strong work ethic, which will help set an example for the students around me. Since reaching high school and maturing, my academics have improved dramatically as a result of my hard work and determination, and I believe anyone can do the same with hard work. By being in the Honors College and showing students that hard work can bring success I can inspire others to work harder and achieve greater success.

My background in leadership, teamwork and public speaking through my high school's debate team can further increase the positive aspects I can bring to the Honors College. I hope to inspire groups of strangers to work together towards a common goal or lead a presentation in front of a large class. I practice these skills almost daily for debate team, working with others to research, write speeches, and perform them at monthly tournaments.

As a member of the Honors College, I hope to be surrounded by a more diverse group, people from vastly differing backgrounds. I expect the Honors College to bring us together to celebrate diversity and culture but also to use the minds of many to solve the problems of daily life. Working with these diverse groups of people will allow us to combine our experiences to research problems and work to find better solutions than any of us could as individuals. Some of these diverse people would be my professors; I'm excited to work more closely with people who have passion for their research in and out of class. I also look forward to discussion and the desire to learn more. I expect the other members of the Honors College to respect the community and work to not only maintain it but also to improve it. I can see myself joining volunteer groups, or student government to work with the community as well.

I look forward to the opportunity to show leadership among groups of students. I hope to participate in school events where I can help other students from an equal platform, rather than from a place of superiority. I hope to do this through clubs, student government, and other extracurriculars. The interconnected nature of the Honors College will help me grow as a person, as well as a student, and the Honors College will help me excel in my schoolwork but also in the various communities I am a part of. I hope to grow the tight-knit Honors College community and the overall community of UIC, and the Honors College will help give me the opportunity to focus on this goal.