The mission of Baylor University is to educate men and women for worldwide leadership and service by integrating academic excellence and Christian commitment within a caring community.
BAYLOR IS HOME TO 15,000+ UNDERGRADUATES

BAYLOR'S CAMPUS SPANS 1,000 ACRES

THE WACO AREA HOSTS 295,000 RESIDENTS
16:1 BU STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

BAYLOR’S AVERAGE CLASS SIZE IS 28 STUDENTS

375+ ON-CAMPUS CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
Baylor’s Honors College Offers

THE STRENGTHS OF A LARGE UNIVERSITY

- Nationally ranked research institution
- NCAA Division 1 athletics
- #5 for first-year student experiences
- #10 for learning communities
- Ranked top 10 for undergraduate education
- Among 10% of universities with a Phi Beta Kappa Chapter
- #21 for undergraduate research
- #22 for undergraduate teaching
- 40 national and local sororities and fraternities
- 127 Undergraduate degree programs
WITH THE BENEFITS OF A SMALL COLLEGE

1,400 Students
Small Class Size, Outstanding Faculty/Student Ratio
Research Opportunities

Diversity of Program Offerings
Interdisciplinary Studies & Transformative Education
Faculty Mentorship
“Love truth, kindle faith, and cultivate virtue in friendship, study, and service to Christ and neighbor.”
HONORS COLLEGE STATISTICS

1,400+ students are enrolled in one of the four honors college programs.

10% of the total Baylor student population is enrolled in the honors college.

55+ full time members of the HC faculty and staff.

100% of the HC faculty hold terminal degrees.
A Community Rich With History

With programs dating back to 1959, Baylor’s Honors College has a long and successful history of academic excellence and innovation preparing students for leadership roles in their fields of study and beyond.

120+ Distinguished Scholarship Winners Since 2001
Our graduates have received prestigious distinctions and awards: Rhodes, Fulbright, Goldwater, Marshall, Boren, Critical Language, Truman, and more.

Countless Distinguished Graduates
Our alumni have gone on to become doctors, lawyers, ministers, business leaders, researchers, educators, and more.

Four
Academic tracks rich with tradition and led by dedicated faculty.
MAJORS IN THE HONORS COLLEGE

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS

- Students have the opportunity to concentrate their studies in 2-3 academic disciplines
- Students may declare secondary majors and/or minors
- Students create a personalized reading list which culminates in an Exit Interview
- Outstanding preparation for Pre-Law, Pre-Medicine, and Graduate School bound students
- All University Scholar students are also in the Honors Program

GREAT TEXTS

- Literature, philosophy, politics, theology
- Small, seminar-style classes
- Pre-Law, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Seminary, and Liberal Arts tracks available
- Practical learning that connects knowledge, ethics, and enjoyment
PROGRAMES IN THE HONORS COLLEGE

Honors Core Track

Honors Thesis Track

BAYLOR INTERDISCIPLINARY CORE

- Alternative core curriculum in a cohort model
- Integrated global approach to learning
- Small group discussion and primary texts

HONORS PROGRAM

- Supplements degrees and majors
- Discussion, research, and in-depth learning
- Thesis in junior and senior year
ADMISSION TO THE HONORS COLLEGE

BIC, HP* & UNSC*: Holistic review including class rank and any available scores

GTX: Admission to the Honors College upon declaring a GTX major

*HP & UNSC – Students generally score above 1430 SAT, 32 ACT, 100 CLT, and have a GPA of 3.8 or higher on a 4.0 scale
HONORS RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE

MULTI-YEAR RELATIONALLY-DRIVEN COMMUNITY

FOSTER STUDENTS' LOVE OF GOD, LOVE OF NEIGHBOR, AND LOVE OF LEARNING

CULTIVATES FRIENDSHIP, INTEGRATED STUDY, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND SPIRITUAL ENGAGEMENT
HRC RENOVATION AND HC RELOCATION

- The Honors College has moved into a unified home on the Founder’s Mall, bringing together the HRC and Draper Academic Building in close proximity.

- Newly renovated and expanded Memorial and Alexander Halls, which enhances residential life through a learning center, study rooms, gaming area, lounge spaces, and a community kitchen.