

Barry University

HONORS PROGRAM

ADMISSION ESSAY REQUIREMENTS

The Honors Program (HP) Admission essay should be no more than 3 pages in length (double space and 12 font size). Follow the MLA or APA style for formatting. Your admission essay should respond to the following four prompts:

1. Write about a time in which you experienced an academic awakening or an ‘aha moment.’”
2. Describe a specific instance where you failed in an endeavor or dealt with adversity. How did your experience shape you?
3. Describe a few research interests that you hope to pursue as part of the Senior Honors Thesis.
4. Explain your anticipated contributions to the program, in response to [the university’s core commitments](#)

Successful admission essay should have the following qualities:

- ✓ Writing quality (write clearly, with sophisticated diction and syntax, employ correct Standard Written English, and provide logical structure)
- ✓ Demonstration of thought complexity and well supported response, when answering the above four prompts

Items to submit as part of your Honors Program Admission Application:

1. Admission essay
2. Two letters of recommendation from professors (Barry students, these should be your BU professors)

Deadline:

- Fall semester: July 15th
- Spring semester: December 15th

Admission Status Notification:

It may take up to two weeks from the deadline, for the HP Admission Committee to review your admission application materials. Upon completion of the review, the Honors Program Director will contact you regarding your admission application status.

If you have any other questions, please contact Dr. Sirimangkala at psirimangkala@barry.edu or (305) 899-3453.