

Honors Program

Philosophy and Objectives

The Honors Program of Inter American University is designed to achieve the maximum development of undergraduate academically talented students. The Program aims to attract students looking for an academic program that challenges and guides them by means of an interdisciplinary and critical thinking approach.

In this Program the University will make efforts to achieve that students assume greater responsibility for their learning through research and independent work. The faculty of the Program will plan learning experiences that enhance the development of the student as an educated person through an interdisciplinary approach that emphasizes critical analysis

The objectives of the Program are:

- To identify talented students whose abilities, needs, interests and motivation require an attention different from that of regular program students.
- To award the Honors program scholarship as a scholarship based on academic merit in which participation in student development activities is considered. In addition, this scholarship will be awarded as a recruitment scholarship for freshman students.
- To provide talented students interdisciplinary academic experiences of the highest quality that challenge their performance and allow them to work as independent learners by strengthening their research and critical judgment skills.
- To establish and foment an academic environment which will stimulate talented students in their academic and leadership aspirations and promote in them dignity, self-esteem and a sense of their potential as human beings.

Admission and Readmission

1. July 1 or the next work day for regular registration has been established as the deadline for applying for admission to the Program for the academic year, in academic terms beginning in August. Admission to the program is once per year. However, students may be admitted in January, with the authorization of the chief executive, if there are spaces available.
2. First year students will be considered for admission if they have a general high school index of at least 3.50 and an admission index of at least 1,250. Freshman students coming from high school will be awarded the scholarship automatically. Students qualifying for the Honors Program will receive the admission letter and their qualification for the scholarship together with their letter of admission to the University. This letter of admission to the Program and their qualification for the scholarship will be signed by the chancellor of the campus to which the student was admitted. The award of the scholarship will be subject to the availability of campus funds.
3. Second and third year students with between 25 and 72 university credits will be considered for admission if they have a general academic index of at least 3.50, in a regular academic load, in the previous academic term. Students that interrupt their studies in the Honors program may be considered for readmission if they meet the Program's admission requirements.
4. Transfer students from other institutions that have at least 14 credits in this University may apply for admission to the Program. Their academic index at their previous institution will be used as an additional element for consideration. The norm in effect related to Graduation with Honors (current General Catalog, Graduation with Honors) will also be taken into account.
5. Candidates from the AVANCE Program that have at least 14 credits in this University may apply for admission to the Program. They must comply with all the documents mentioned in the admissions requirements section.