George M. Luckey, Jr. Academic Honors Program  Application Deadline: December 1, 2016

The Honors Scholarship is highly competitive and will be offered to a limited number of entering freshmen each year. Before completing the Honors Scholarship Application, you must separately submit a complete University Admissions Application Packet found at (http://www.moreheadstate.edu/apply), high school transcript and ACT/SAT test scores to:

Office of Enrollment Services
100 Admissions Center
Morehead State University
Morehead, KY 40351

Recipients of the Honors Scholarship receive the following benefits:

- Scholarship covers tuition, on-campus housing cost up to a four-person suite, and $5000 for other expenses; and is applied after other eligible aid is posted. Total financial aid may not exceed total cost of attendance.
- Participation in the George M. Luckey, Jr. Academic Honors Program, access to the Honors House, and residence in the Honors Learning Community
- An Undergraduate Research Fellowship with a faculty mentor
- Opportunities for regional engagement, service-learning and volunteer experiences
- Up to $1500 in funds to be used for a required overseas experience
- Priority Registration

Scholarship students will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Academic achievement, including grade point average and test scores, as well as challenging coursework.
- Leadership and service experiences
- Awards and recognitions
- Essay
- Sample of Work
- Interview

Applicants are strongly encouraged to visit campus and to review the Honors Handbook before applying. The Handbook can be found at (www.moreheadstate.edu/honors).
The postmark deadline for all application materials is December 1, 2015. Please DO NOT send your application by UPS or Express Mail. We anticipate that we will be conducting interviews in January 2016.

**Applicant Information Sheet** (Please type)
(Please attach a recent photograph which may be used for publicity purposes should you be awarded a scholarship.)

First Name: ___________________________ Last Name: ___________________________

Ethnicity: Are you Hispanic or Latino? _____ No, not Hispanic or Latino _____ Yes, Hispanic or Latino

Race: (Select one or more) _____ Black/African American _____ American Indian or Alaskan Native _____ Asian _____ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander _____ White/Non-Hispanic

Address: ____________________________________________________________

City ___________________________ State: _____________ Zip: ______________

: County ___________________________________________________________

Date: _____________ Home phone: _________________ Cell phone: _________________

E-mail address: ________________________________ High School: __________________________

Parent/Guardian: ___________________________ Hometown Newspaper: __________________________

Grade point average: ___________ Unweighted ____________ Weighted (if reported on transcript)

ACT/SAT composite score: ________________ (if you retake the ACT/SAT, please send your new scores directly to the Honors Program Office, UPO 665, Morehead, KY 40351 in addition to updating Enrollment Services.)

Have you been accepted to Morehead State University? _____ YES _____ NO

Please describe any college work you have completed or expect to complete before Fall 2015, whether by examination or coursework; provide transcripts if available.

Leadership roles you have held at school or in the community: (Attach additional pages if necessary)
Awards and recognitions: (*This category includes, but is not limited to, participation in the YMCA Black Achievers Program, Governor’s Scholars Program, Governor’s School for the Arts and Rogers Scholars Program*). List here or use additional sheet if needed. **DO NOT send copies of your awards.**

Name of one recommender: __________________________________________
(principal, teacher, guidance counselor, or an instructor with whom you have had at least one class, etc.)

Instructions for recommender are on page 4.

**Application Essay Instructions:**

Please choose one of the topics given below, and write a substantial essay (2-3 pages, typed, double-spaced) according to the instructions. As you work, remember this advice: do not try to guess what we want you to say. We do not have a “right” answer in mind; rather, we are giving you an opportunity to do some interesting thinking, and express yourself.

1) Describe a fear that you believe you need to overcome in order to achieve what you want to accomplish in life. What exactly are you afraid of, and why? What difficulties has this fear caused you? What have you done so far to overcome the fear? What do you plan to do going forward? How will your life be different once you succeed?

2) One of the requirements of the Honors Program is an approved overseas experience. Students have fulfilled this requirement in many good ways, and all graduating seniors have described the overseas experiences as one of the best they have ever had. Here are five of the many, many examples of successful trips Honors students have taken. Choose the one that you believe would suit you best, and explain your choice. How would it connect with your interests and ambitions?
   a. Teaching English or Mathematics to elementary school children through a volunteer program in the Cook Islands.
   b. Spending five weeks in Paris studying culture, art and architecture.
   c. Shadowing a physician, dentist or veterinarian in Africa, Thailand or Eastern Europe.
   d. Spending eight weeks in China studying the language, international relations and history.
   e. Spending a semester in Europe or Australia, studying business or technology (in English).

3) In your opinion, what has been the most exciting innovation of the past ten years? You may choose a scientific discovery, a groundbreaking work of art, music or literature, a technological achievement: the choice is yours. In your essay, describe the innovation, and explain why you find it exciting. How did you learn of it? What impresses you? How will it contribute to human happiness or other values? Why should those who do not yet know about it inform themselves as soon as possible?
Sample of work:

We would like to see a sample of your best work, in any field or format: for example, a mathematical proof, a lab report, a short story, a musical performance, a drawing, etc.…the choice is yours. Please send only one copy of your sample in an accessible format: in written form, as a photograph, or as a recording, for example. Please do not send your only copy, as we will not be able to return samples. If you send a CD/DVD, please make sure it is not blank. We will not contact you for a working copy. Also, please include a brief written description of your sample.

We do not expect you to generate new work for this application: just pick something you have already done, and of which you are proud.

Letters of Recommendation Instructions

To the recommender:

Thank you for taking the time to provide a detailed and thoughtful recommendation for this student. The Honors Scholarship, our most prestigious and competitive scholarship, will be awarded to a limited number of students each year.

Since all applicants will have outstanding grade point averages and test scores, please focus in your letter on additional accomplishments and characteristics. Does the student go beyond what is required to earn a good grade in a class? Does she accept the responsibilities and challenges of leadership? Does he show strong curiosity about the world outside his local community? In short, what sets this student apart from others with similar grades and scores?

Please submit your letter to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your name written across the seal so he/she may place it in the application packet.
Honors Scholarship Application Checklist

- Applicant Information Sheet (4 copies)
- Application Essay (4 copies)
- Letter of Recommendation (in a sealed envelope)
- Sample of Work with Brief Written Description (1 copy)
- Recent Photograph (suitable for publicity purposes) (1 copy)

**Paper clip the copies together. Do NOT put in a notebook, binder, or any other special holder.

Please submit all Honors Scholarship application checklist materials via U.S Mail to the address listed below. Incomplete or misdirected application packets will not be considered. Receipt of your application will be confirmed by e-mail. Since e-mail will be an important means of communication throughout this process, please make sure your e-mail address is accurate, legible, and current. Check for messages regularly.

Any questions should be directed to:
Dr. Philip Krummrich, Director
George M. Luckey, Jr. Academic Honors Program
Phone: (606) 783-2726
E-mail: p.krummrich@moreheadstate.edu

Mail your application packet to:
Dr. Philip Krummrich
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