

California State University, Northridge is pleased to announce

Honors at Entrance

a major new scholarship opportunity for the academically highest achieving students

Beginning in Fall 2009, **Honors at Entrance** will offer up to 30 new Cal State Northridge freshmen \$3,000 scholarships that will be repeated in sophomore year if academic excellence is maintained. The **Honors at Entrance** program combines scholarship funds, enhanced curriculum and co-curricular activities, including:

- Honors General Education classes that offer challenging curriculum taught by some of the University's most outstanding faculty members
- Special housing with other freshman Honors students in a living-learning community in one of the campus residence halls (campus housing fees apply)
- A special Freshman Seminar that links students with faculty mentors to engage them in research, career exploration and community projects
- Invitations to intellectual and cultural University event
- Free preparatory courses for graduate school admissions tests (i.e. LSAT, GRE)
- Connections with an intellectual community of student-scholars
- Additional opportunities for scholarships that will grow as the student grows

Students who meet the following conditions are eligible to apply for this scholarship:

- A minimum, weighted GPA of 3.75 **OR** SAT combined verbal and math scores of 1200 **OR** an ACT score of 27 **AND** a weighted GPA of at least 3.5 **AND** all of the following:
- Citizenship or eligible non-citizen status (Form I-151, Form I-155; Form I-94, or Certificate of Naturalization)
- Evidence of the applicant's potential for future academic success. This may be an essay, portfolio or creative activity as described on the application
- A letter of recommendation
- Must complete and file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov by 11:59 p.m., March 2, 2009
- Must be exempt from taking Developmental English or Developmental Math classes as a result of either SAT scores of 550 on **EACH** exam, ACT scores of 24 for English and 23 for Math, **OR** by achieving a minimum of 50 on the Entry Level Math (ELM) and 151 on the English Placement Test (EPT). Testing information is available at www.csun.edu/testing.

All students who meet these criteria will be eligible to participate in our General Education Honors program. Among those freshmen participating in the General Education Honors program, up to 30 will be selected to receive the **Honors at Entrance** \$3,000 scholarships for their first and second years.

Additional information and applications are available at: www.csun.edu/scholars or by calling Dr. Maureen Rubin in Undergraduate Studies at (818) 677-2969. Students with questions regarding the application process may telephone the University Scholarship Office at (818) 677-4907 or email scholarships@csun.edu.

Honors at Entrance applications must be received in the University Scholarship Office by **4:00 p.m., March 1, 2009**. Complete application packets may be hand-delivered to the office in Bayramian Hall, Room 130, emailed to scholarships@csun.edu, or mailed to University Scholarship Office, California State University, Northridge, 18111 Nordhoff Street, Northridge, CA 91330-8307.

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Application for Entering Freshmen

Beginning in Fall 2009, Honors at Entrancę will offer up to 30 new Cal State Northridge freshmen \$3,000 scholarships that will be repeated in sophomore year if academic excellence is maintained. The Honors at Entrancę program combines scholarship funds, enhanced curriculum and a variety of co-curricular activities aimed at increasing the academic success of high achieving students. These include optional jousting in the Honors Living-Learning Community, faculty mentors, a Presidential reception, speakers and field trips.

All students who meet these criteria will be eligible to participate in our General Education Honors program. Up to 30 of these GE Honors students will be selected to receive the **Honors at Entrance** \$3,000 scholarships for their first year, with renewal for a second year based on maintaining GPA and enrollment requirements:

- A minimum, weighted GPA of 3.75 **OR** SAT combined verbal and math scores of 1200 **OR** an ACT score of 27 and a weighted GPA of at least 3.5 **AND** all of the following:
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I. Personal Information

1. Name _____
2. Mailing Address _____
3. City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
4. Telephone number () _____ Alternate telephone () _____
5. Email _____
6. Proposed major or undecided _____
7. Expected high school graduation date _____
8. Name of high school _____
9. Address of high school _____
10. City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

II. Evidence of high school scholarship and achievement

1. GPA at the conclusion of junior year _____

Transcripts of all high school grades from grades 9, 10 and 11 must be attached. A transcript of grades received during the first semester of your senior year must be submitted by February 1, 2009.

2. Letter of recommendation: All applicants must submit a letter of recommendation with this application.

Name of person submitting letter of recommendation _____

Title _____ Name of School or Business _____

Address _____ Telephone (____) _____ ext _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

III. Evidence of potential for future academic success

This is your opportunity to (1) tell us who you are, (2) explain what you have accomplished that makes you special and (3) describe what you hope to achieve in the future as a result of your education at Cal State Northridge. You may present your information through an essay of no more than 500 words or in another format that you feel will allow you to best respond to these three topics. Completed applications must be submitted in packets no larger than 9x12x6 inches.

IV. Declaration and Authorization

I signify that the information given in this application is true and complete. If I am awarded, I authorize the University to use my photograph and quotes from my application materials for promotional materials and on University webpages.

Student signature _____ Date _____

Signature of parent or guardian _____ Date _____

Submission Information

Submit completed application packet in person, email or postal mail as appropriate. The application and all supporting document must be received by March 1, 2009 at 4:00 pm

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Northridge, CA 91330-8307
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Scholarship Questions? Call the Scholarship Office at (818) 677-4097 or email scholarships@csun.edu
GE Honors Questions? Call Undergraduate Studies at (818) 677-2969 or email undergraduate.studies@csun.edu