

RHODES DUNLAP FIRST-YEAR HONORS STUDENT AWARD

This \$1,000 award is for first-year honors students who have demonstrated outstanding academic performance and show promise of continued excellence. First-year students who are technically sophomores may apply. Applicants must be full-time students during the 2009–10 academic year and have a GPA of 3.75 or above to be eligible for the award. Eight recipients of the Rhodes Dunlap Award for a First-year Honors Student will be selected by a faculty committee and recognized on Sunday, April 26, 2009 at the Honors Program Recognition Ceremony. **You may not apply for multiple Rhodes Dunlap awards.**

Please follow the checklist of application materials on page 2.

**All materials, including the faculty letter, are due
by 5:00 p.m. on or before Friday, January 30, 2009
at the University of Iowa Honors Program
420 Blank Honors Center.**

CHECKLIST OF APPLICATION MATERIALS

- **All application materials must be typed and include your name in the upper right-hand corner of each page.**
- **Please submit FOUR complete copies of your application (one original and three photocopies, collated in the order listed), each of which includes the following. Fasten sets with a paper clip or binder clip—*do not staple*.**
 - A completed application form.
Be sure to include the following:
 - ♦ List of honors courses you have taken
 - A two-page essay as described on the application form.
 - A UI transcript that shows all UI course work, including Fall 2008 semester grades (ISIS print-outs are acceptable; degree evaluations are not) and a transcript from any other college at which you completed 12 or more semester hours (photocopies are acceptable).
 - A list of courses you will be taking during the Spring 2009 semester.
 - A list of your extracurricular activities at The University of Iowa and during your last two years of high school. Please list the university and high school activities separately. Be sure to include:
 - 1) special academic experiences (e.g., travel or study abroad, internships, independent research, research and teaching practicums, assistantships, etc.);
 - 2) honors activities and other relevant activities in which you have participated;
 - 3) work experience; and
 - 4) awards you have received.

Be specific with your descriptions. If you are working on a research project, indicate how many hours a week and for whom you are working. If you have a job, indicate how many hours a week you are working and the nature of the job.
 - One letter of recommendation from a professor or instructor and the recommendation cover sheet. We suggest that you provide a copy of your application, essay, transcript, and activities list to the person you are asking for a letter. Please give your recommender plenty of time to prepare the letter. We do not need multiple copies of the faculty letter.

Student Name: _____

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Letter of Recommendation

Name of Applicant _____
Last First Middle

The student named above is applying for the Rhodes Dunlap First-Year Honors Student Award. This \$1,000 award is for first-year honors students who have demonstrated outstanding academic performance and show promise of continued excellence. The application requires one letter of recommendation from a professor or instructor.

Recommendation Guidelines for Faculty

- In your letter, please indicate the name of the student and the full name of the scholarship for which the student is applying. Discuss the qualities the student has demonstrated that you feel make him/her competitive for this scholarship. In addition, please comment on his/her intellectual ability, commitment to education, and campus/community involvement.
- Please paper clip this form to an original letter printed on departmental letterhead.

Recommender's Name _____
Last First Middle

Department/Affiliation _____

Title _____

Address _____

Length of time you have known the student _____

In what capacities? _____

Please give your letter and this form to the student in a sealed envelope with your signature written across the seal. If you prefer, you can send it to arrive no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 30, 2009.**

**Honors Scholarships
University of Iowa Honors Program
420 Blank Honors Center
The University of Iowa
Iowa City, IA 52242**

Name: _____

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Application for 2009–10 Award

Please type. Use additional sheets as needed.

Name: _____

University ID# (all 8 digits): _____ Major: _____

If major is open, possible majors: _____

Second major: _____ Minor/Certificate: _____

University of Iowa E-mail Address: _____

Local Mailing Address (include city/state/zip): _____

High School GPA (senior year): _____ High School cumulative GPA: _____

High School class rank (e.g. 22/500): _____ ACT or SAT score: _____

Number of college terms completed (excluding Spring 2009): _____

Semester hours completed (including Fall 2008): _____ Spring 2009 hrs: _____

University of Iowa GPA: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Please list the name and department of the faculty member writing your letter of recommendation:

Name: _____ Department: _____

On additional pages, please

1. List any honors courses or sections in which you have been a student, including current courses.
2. Write an essay on the following topic. The essay should be two pages, double spaced, typed in a 12-point font.

Has your first semester at the University of Iowa exceeded your expectations of college life? Why or why not?

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