



A DISTINGUISHED FACULTY

Students at Kent State University at Tuscarawas enjoy the benefits of small classes and personal interaction with a highly credentialed and diverse faculty. Below is just a sample of the excellent faculty at Kent State Tuscarawas, including the universities where they earned their degrees:

Lovejoy Das, Ph.D., D.Sc.
Mathematics
Lucknow University, India

Ginger Bihn-Coss, Ph.D.
Communication Studies
Bowling Green State University

Samantha Bonaduce, Ph.D.
Nursing
Post University

Jean Engohang-Ndong, Ph.D.
Biology
University of Sciences and Technologies of Lille

Donald Gerbig, Ph.D.
Biology
University of Tennessee

David Graff
Criminal Justice
Mercyhurst University

Todd Hartline, Ph.D.
History
Kent State University

Amanda Hayes, Ph.D.
English
Ohio University

Ashley Galati, Ph.D.
Psychology
University of Kentucky

Scott Keiller, Ph.D.
Psychology
Kent State University

Hongshan Li, Ph.D.
History
University of Missouri

Denise McEnroe-Petite, Ph.D.
Nursing
Capella University

Beth Osikiewicz, Ph.D.
Mathematics
Kent State University

Jeffrey Osikiewicz, Ph.D.
Mathematics
Kent State University

G Patterson, Ph.D.
English
Miami University

Kathy Davis Patterson, Ph.D.
English
Ohio State University

Chitra Rajagopal, M.S.
Electrical Engineering
Youngstown State University

Nicole Willey, Ph.D.
English
University of Alabama

Kyle Winkler, Ph.D.
English
University of Pittsburgh

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HONORS PROGRAM

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A MESSAGE FROM THE COORDINATOR...

The Honors Program at Kent State University at Tuscarawas provides motivated and bright undergraduate students with creative learning opportunities to stretch their intellect and curiosity while fostering a supportive environment to earn their degrees with honors. It offers enriched and diverse educational opportunities that allow students to have close interaction with their peers as well as their faculty. In this way, students participate in an exchange of ideas that broadens their knowledge and perspectives while developing their own opinions.

As they enter their first semester at Kent State Tuscarawas, some students may not know which kind of career they desire to pursue after completing their degree. With our Honors Program in place, students develop the skills necessary to meet the demands of the highly sophisticated and ever changing technological society in which we live. Furthermore, with the transcript notations of the Kent State University Honors College, future employers, graduate programs and professional schools will recognize the fact that these students are committed to excellence.

The Honors Program prepares students to take on leadership roles at an early stage of their educational career through a wide range of academic programs such as the Freshman Honors Colloquium and study abroad experiences at Florence, Italy; Leicester, England; and Northern Ireland. With the resources of a great research institution at hand, there are a plethora of opportunities for students to be engaged in creative and research endeavors.

Students in the Honors Program have a special curriculum taught by distinguished faculty across the Kent State Tuscarawas campus. The Honors Program's innovative curriculum seeks and promotes methods of inquiry and discovery for those who want to understand, explore and research their interests.

Albert Einstein once said, "The search and striving for truth and knowledge is one of the highest of man's qualities." Indeed, honors students constantly seek, question and embrace the methods of inquiry while bringing joy in learning and understanding. The Honors Program at Kent State Tuscarawas is a unique place for students from diverse backgrounds to expand their horizons in an enriched learning environment.



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BENEFITS

Scholarships

Kent State University at Tuscarawas awards competitive renewable Honors Scholarships of \$1500 each academic year, in addition to any other awards students may receive. These scholarships are awarded to full-time Tuscarawas Honors students. Students who transition to the Kent Campus may compete for a variety of academic scholarships offered there.

An Enhanced Education

In Honors classes, students find expert professors who are dedicated to developing critical thinking skills and stimulating intellectual curiosity. Honors students enjoy the benefits of small, interactive classes instructed by our top faculty, and many of them produce an outstanding portfolio of work completed throughout the course of the Honors curriculum.

An Intellectual Community

Honors students work closely with their classmates and their professors. They find lasting friendships and lifelong networking opportunities that enable them to learn from one another as well as from their faculty mentors.

Unique Educational Opportunities

The Kent State University Honors Program offers opportunities for study abroad, special Honors housing and learning communities, generous scholarships and the chance to work closely with faculty to prepare a senior thesis – all of which make the Honors Program a great way to expand a résumé while engaging in a rich learning experience.

Individual Honors Advising

Members of the Honors Program meet individually each semester with their Honors advisor. The advisor assists them with scheduling classes, making timely progress toward graduation and fulfilling Honors experience requirements.

Recognition

Graduates of the Honors College have their achievements recognized not only at commencement but also on their transcripts. The transcript notations inform employers as well as graduate and professional schools of their Honors accomplishments.

THE HONORS EXPERIENCE

- ▶ Kent's program is one of the oldest and largest in the country and is nationally recognized as a leader in Honors education.
- ▶ The Honors Plaza at the Kent Campus offers full-service, living-learning residence halls and an Honors Center.
- ▶ Study abroad opportunities include Leicester University in central England and the University of Ulster in Northern Ireland.
- ▶ Honors College students have won prestigious fellowships at the M.I.T., Duke and Yale University.

Hannah Urfer, a former University Honors student, graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies.



EXPECTATIONS

Honors students are expected to complete one Honors course each semester and are encouraged to explore multiple and diverse educational opportunities, such as independent research, study abroad and community service projects. In order to retain membership in the Honors Program, students must also maintain the specified grade point average.

Students who enter the program as freshmen are expected to complete 24 credit hours of Honors courses to graduate in good standing from the Honors College. The typical pattern for completion of these requirements is as follows:

- ▶ Three Honors courses in the freshman year (including Honors Colloquium I & II)
- ▶ Two Honors courses in the sophomore year
- ▶ Two Honors courses in the junior year
- ▶ At least one Honors course in the senior year, as well as the highly recommended Senior Honors Thesis.

Students who enter after the freshman year will meet with an Honors advisor to establish a plan for completing Honors requirements and demonstrating eligibility for graduation from the Honors College. At a minimum, students should plan to complete one Honors experience in each of their remaining semesters. In addition, students who enter the program as juniors do so with the understanding that they will complete a senior thesis/project.

HONORS OPTIONS

Honors experience opportunities are purposely flexible to meet a variety of interests, so students enrolled in the Honors Program can typically select from a variety of options in addition to the required 24 hours of Honors courses:

- ▶ Individual Honors research
- ▶ A senior portfolio
- ▶ A community service project
- ▶ A senior thesis/project
- ▶ Participation in the National Student Exchange
- ▶ Participation in overseas or special off-campus academic programs
- ▶ An internship

Teai Warner, a Kent State Tuscarawas Honors College Scholar, graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree.

ADMISSION STANDARDS

Applicants to this selective program will be considered based on the following criteria:

- ▶ High school and/or college GPA
- ▶ ACT/SAT composite score
- ▶ 250-word essay submission
- ▶ Résumé of activities, achievements and leadership roles
- ▶ High school class standing

