

■ THE PROGRAM

The English Honors Program (EHP) is a selective program for undergraduates majoring in English. More than a “thesis” program, the EHP helps students to develop advanced skills in writing, textual analysis, and research. Applications are evaluated by a committee of Honors faculty who select students on the basis of writing and “close reading” skills, instructor evaluations, grades, and intellectual potential. Applicants will be notified by Monday, November 2, 2009.

Students must apply to the EHP prior to the beginning of the junior year and spend no fewer than 4 semesters in the program. Prior to applying to the program, please review additional informational materials on EHP, available online (www.utexas.edu/cola/depts/english/undergraduate/honors/) and in the English Advising Office (Parlin 114). Please direct any questions concerning the EHP application to the English Advising Office.

■ INSTRUCTIONS

To apply to the English Honors Program, submit the following to Parlin 114 no later than **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2009**:

- application form (this page)
- critical paper of 4-6 pages that represents your best work in literary criticism/analysis
- one-page (double spaced) personal statement describing your academic background and interests, as well as what you hope to accomplish in the EHP
- two faculty evaluation forms (attached; at least one evaluation must be from an instructor of a UT-Austin English course; students who have transferred to UT-Austin with 60 or more credit hours may substitute forms or letters of recommendation from non-UT instructors)

■ INFORMATION

Name: _____ EID: _____

E-mail: _____ Telephone: _____

Graduation date (spring semester only, circle one): May, 2012 May, 2013 May, 2014

Do you plan to study abroad in a spring or fall semester? If so, when? _____

Have you applied to EHP before? If so, when? _____

Faculty recommenders: _____

Have you reviewed the requirements for graduating with English Honors? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

■ STUDENT WAIVER

I waive my right of access to the material recorded below and/or attached:

Applicant's Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

■ FACULTY EVALUATION

The English Honors Program seeks bright, creative, highly motivated students capable of thinking critically, working independently, and participating in challenging seminars. Students should be both intellectually mature and eager to plan, research, and write an undergraduate thesis. No more than 10% of English majors will be invited to participate in the program. Please evaluate the applicant's readiness for English Honors.

	Honors Star	Honors Match	Borderline Honors	Honors Potential	Not Honors
Intellect					
Academic Preparation					
Class Performance					
Work Ethic & Initiative					
Teachability					

In lieu of a letter of recommendation, please provide a brief response to the following:

1. Are there strengths and/or weaknesses that should be addressed?
2. What challenge(s) might this student face in our Honors Program?
3. What unique abilities, characteristics, or perspective might this student bring to the Honors Program?

■ SIGNATURE

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Brad Humphries (471-9928, jbh@mail.utexas.edu). Please return this form to **Parlin 114 or 120 by Thursday, October 15, 2009.**

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