Shippensburg University Honors Program

Application for First-Semester Freshmen

Honors students at Shippensburg benefit from small classes, excellent teaching, and exciting research, study abroad, and internship opportunities. Students also participate in special cultural, social, and community service activities. The Honors Program involves students in every major and class level. They come from a variety of backgrounds and have diverse academic and social interests. What they share is their desire to make the most of all of the opportunities available to them at Shippensburg University.

Please submit your application by **December 1 for Spring admission**. Freshmen must earn at least a 3.25 QPA in their first-semester courses at Shippensburg University to be considered for admission to the program. Admissions decisions for freshmen are made in early January. Freshmen who are admitted to the program will consult with the Honors staff before the spring semester begins to revise their schedules to include Honors classes. If you have any questions about the program, please contact the Honors Program staff at the e-mail address or telephone number listed on the back of the form or visit our website, http://www.ship.edu/honors.

Part One: Student Information

Full Name: _____

Student ID Number _____

Current Address: _____

Current Phone: (__ __ __) __ __ __ -- __ __ __ __

Home Address (if different from above): _____

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Home Phone: (__ __ __) __ __ __ -- __ __ __ __

E-mail Address: _____

High School: _____

Rank/Class Size: _____ / _____ High School GPA: _____

SAT Scores: Critical Reading: _____ Mathematics: _____

Writing: _____ Essay: _____

Intended Major at Shippensburg University: _____

Please complete reverse side.

<u>Part Two: Two Essay Questions</u>: Each answer should be a well-organized essay of 250-300 words.

1. Identify the one high school course that you consider to have been the most beneficial or meaningful to you and explain why.

2. The Honors Program is dedicated to promoting scholarship, leadership, and service. Please visit the program's web site at http://www.ship.edu/honors to learn more about the Honors Program's activities. Based on your past involvement in co-curricular and community service activities, explain how you can contribute to the co-curricular and community service activities of the Shippensburg University Honors Program.

<u>Part Three: Coursework</u>

On a separate sheet,

1. List the classes that you have earned college credit for (including Academic Placement and transfer credit).

2. List the classes that you are currently enrolled in.

<u>Part Four: Letter of Recommendation</u>

Request one letter of recommendation from a Shippensburg University professor who can comment on your character and academic abilities. The professor should place the letter in a sealed envelope and sign it across the back. Include the letter with your application.

How did you learn about the Honors Program?

___Mailing from Honors Program ___Website ___Shippensburg University Open House

___ Guidance Counselor ___ Other: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return your application by <u>December 1</u> for Spring admission to:

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