Honors Program Requirements
Students seeking to graduate as Honors Scholars must take a minimum of five Honors classes, plus the Honors Seminar. Students may remain in the program if their GPA remains above 3.0 and they continue to participate in Honors classes and at least one major Honors Program event per year.

COURSES OFFERED INCLUDE:
Every Fall Semester
TH 119 First Theology
Every Spring Semester
EL 102 Language and Rhetoric
PL 101 First Philosophy
ND 400 Honors Seminar
Fall Semester (odd years)
Philosophy
Fine Arts OR Theology
Spring Semester (even years)
Natural Science and laboratory OR Social Science
History (200 - level)
Fall Semester (even years)
History (100 - level)
Social Science OR Natural Science and Laboratory
Spring Semester (odd years)
English elective
Theology elective

Honors Seminar
The Honors Seminar, the culminating senior-year experience in the Honors curriculum, challenges students to integrate the various disciplines they have studied to address a particular issue or theme. Themes have included the appropriate relationship between science and theology, an exploration of the virtue of courage, dystopian literature and perspectives on the future, practical wisdom and good decision-making, and liberating education.

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Applying to the Honors Program
Students typically apply to the Honors Program prior to enrolling as a freshman. Acceptance is based on academic work, submitted to the program director with an admission application, along with evidence of the student’s motivation to pursue challenging course work. See www.stvincent.edu/honors for complete details. Review of applications begins March 1.

Academic Challenge and Dynamic Interaction

• Challenging courses
• Dedicated professors
• Vigorous conversation
• Intellectual growth

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The Saint Vincent Honors Program brings together students from across the College who share a vigorous commitment to intellectual life. The program’s backbone is a collection of Honors courses that enable these students to pursue a liberal education characterized by intense conversation and work with dedicated professors. We seek to form a broader intellectual community, where the ideas that students explore in the classroom take on a life of their own in the lives of our students.

Honors students have the opportunity to participate in special extracurricular activities, including evening discussions and cultural excursions. They also interact with faculty outside the classroom, providing for support and mentoring throughout (and often beyond) their time at Saint Vincent.

Our professors design classes in the Honors Program to challenge and reward students who seek substantial intellectual development in college. The quality, not the quantity, of work distinguishes Honors classes from other courses. Honors students in majors with a senior research or capstone project are strongly encouraged to present their work – both in a special colloquium at Saint Vincent College and at professional meetings in their research areas.

Special Opportunities
The Honors Program provides an invigorating, congenial setting for your intellectual growth, both during classes and extracurricular events. Activities include:
- Dinner and evening discussions or readings, films, art exhibits, etc.
- Attending plays, films and art exhibits together
- A Scholars Roundtable, which provides Honors students an opportunity to learn about their professors’ research and scholarship

In recent semesters, Honors students have discussed issues over dinner with:
- Literacy advocate LeVar Burton
- Bill Nye (The Science Guy)
- Astrophysicist Neil DeGrasse Tyson
- Pianist Joanne Rogers, wife of early learning pioneer Fred Rogers

Honors students have also participated in poetry readings and discussions with faculty, traveled to New York City and visited Washington, D.C., for a behind-the-scenes tour of the Supreme Court.