

Honors Writing Fellows Application for Fall 2021

You must be an honors student in good standing (minimum 3.33 UI GPA) and a sophomore or first-semester junior (exceptional first-year students will also be considered). No current seniors or second-semester juniors will be considered. Applicants must be available in both the Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 semesters

Complete the shaded areas of the first two pages of this interactive application and print. You will not be able to save the document unless you are working on a computer with the full version of Adobe Acrobat.

Part I Short Answers

1. Name:

University ID Number (8 digits):

Majors(s):

Degree Expected (month and year):

UI GPA:

Email Address:

Local Street Address:

Local City/State/Zip:

Phone Number at which we can reach you quickly:

List the name and department of the faculty member who has agreed to write your letter of recommendation.

Name: _____ Department: _____

2. List any **college** activities in which you have served a leadership role:

3. List any **college** honors or awards you have received since graduating from high school.

4. Do you have any teaching or tutoring experience? If so, what kind of experience? Where, whom, and for how long did you teach/tutor?

Part II Personal Statement

Write a 1- to 2-page letter explaining why you want to be an Honors Writing Fellow and what you would like us to know about you. Describe any relevant skills or special perspectives you would bring to the program as well as any specific experiences that illustrate your ability to do Honors Writing Fellows work. Needless to say, do not forget to proofread. Include your name on the top right of each page.

Part III Two Samples of Your Writing

Please include clean copies (free of professor's or TA's comments) of two papers that represent your best work. **For each paper, type a description of the assignment and a brief explanation of why you chose it for us to review.** Include your name on the top right of each page, make sure all pages are numbered, and try to keep the total number of pages under 15. Choose papers from courses in different areas of study, if possible. Be sure to include at least one piece of analytical or argumentative writing. Academic writing is preferable to creative non-fiction writing. No fiction or poetry, and no papers from high school please. We will not be returning submissions.

SEND PARTS I-III together by email to Megan Knight, Megan-Knight@uiowa.edu, Rhetoric Department, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242 by 4:00 pm Friday, March 26, 2021.

Part V Recommendation

The letter of recommendation should be from a UI professor or TA who knows you and your written work well. Be sure to ask your recommender at least two weeks in advance and to use the form on the next page. The letter should be sent separately by email attachment to Megan-Knight@uiowa.edu by **Friday, March 26, 2021 by 4:00 p.m.**


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Honors Writing Fellows Program University of Iowa

Instructions for Recommenders

The Honors Writing Fellows Program is a university initiative to improve student writing through peer tutoring. The program prepares selected students from a wide range of majors to serve as peer writing tutors, called Writing Fellows, and assigns them to courses across the curriculum. Each Fellow, under the guidance of a course professor who has chosen to participate in the program, works closely with 10-12 students in a writing intensive course. Fellows make substantial written comments on drafts of assigned papers and hold individual conferences with their students to offer advice for revision.

We are looking for highly motivated, independent, articulate, personable, kind, and diplomatic students. We are most interested in students who are not only successful and enthusiastic writers, but who also are dynamic and intellectually engaged in classroom discussions, who enjoy working with others, and who will be able to hold their own in conferences with faculty and with student peers.

In your recommendation, please explain the context in which you know this student's work, and comment on this student's ability to fulfill the role described above.

Thank you for your help. If you have any questions about the program or the kind of student we are looking for, please contact Megan-Knight@uiowa.edu.

Please send your letter by email attachment to Megan-Knight@uiowa.edu. **The deadline for receiving the letters is Friday, March 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.**

