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Honors College

Tampa Campus Location/Phone: John and Grace Allen Building (ALN) 241; (813) 974-3087
Web Address: http://www.usf.edu/honors/

First-time-in-college (FTIC) students take four to five Honors courses that examine the nature of human knowledge, ethics, interdisciplinary approaches to the natural and social sciences, arts and humanities, and global citizenship. Then, an Honors Thesis or Capstone Project provides the culmination of the Honors experience. These courses typically meet degree requirements. Enrolling in the Honors College does not generally increase the number of credits needed to graduate. See the Honors College admissions guidelines in the Admissions section of this catalog.

Continuing USF students and transfer students accepted into the Honors College take 12 Honors credits that include two to three regular Honors courses and then an Honors Thesis or Capstone Project, which provides the culminating undergraduate research experience.

Accelerated and Pathway Programs

The Honors College offers a variety of accelerated and pathway programs:

- **7-Year BS/MD Program**
  - Potential First-time in College (FTIC) students must present a 1470 SAT (Critical Reading and Math) or a 32 composite ACT score, 4.0 weighted high school GPA, and must be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident of the United States. Students in this program follow a set curriculum for the B.S. in Biomedical Sciences and must meet identified GPA and MCAT benchmarks, including a successful medical school interview, to be admitted to the Morsani College of Medicine in the 4th year of study. Admission is determined by the Morsani College of Medicine.

- **Guaranteed Admissions Pathway for Doctor of Physical Therapy Program**
  - Potential First-time in College (FTIC) students must present at least a 1360 SAT (Critical Reading and Math) or a 29 composite ACT score, 3.8 weighted high school GPA, and must be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident of the United States. FTIC students who have been admitted to the Honors College and are interested in a career in physical therapy are offered a guaranteed admission pathway to USF Health’s School of Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Sciences (SPTRS) and complete a Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT), provided that the student continues to meet all the benchmarks of the program, including a successful interview with SPTRS. There is no GRE requirement for this program. Admission is determined by the SPTRS/Morsani College of Medicine.

- **Guaranteed Admissions Pathway for Master of Science in Medical Sciences Program (MSP3)**
  - Potential FTIC and transfer students in good standing with the Honors College must meet identified GPA and GRE, MCAT or DAT benchmarks to apply to the School of Biomedical Sciences (SBS)/Morsani College of Medicine in order to be considered. The Honors MSP3 GAP is a direct entry program designed to assist USF’s Honors College students seeking admission into a health professional school (e.g., MD, DO, DMD, DVM, PharmD). This program will allow qualified Honors College students guaranteed acceptance into the Master of Science in Medical Sciences Pre-professional Program. Admission is determined by the School of Biomedical Sciences/Morsani College of Medicine.

- **Provosts Scholars Program**
  - Students complete a bachelor degree in three years, while enjoying a rich college experience that includes leadership, research, and education abroad.

Details regarding each of these programs can be found on the Honors College website at usf.edu/honors.edu.

George Jenkins Scholars Program

The Jenkins Scholars Program is one of the highest funded academic scholarships at USF. The George Jenkins Scholarships are funded through the Publix Super Markets Charities, which was founded by the late George Jenkins, the initial founder and owner of Publix Supermarkets.

A select group of Jenkins Scholars are elected annually from a statewide competition of high school seniors who are admitted to USF as freshmen. The Jenkins recipients are academically talented students with financial need.

The Scholars Program is designed to provide academic and personal support services for all scholars, freshman through senior year. The scholars participate in various scholarly and cultural activities, such as academic monitoring, mentoring activities, academic/personal development seminars, career advising and planned activities with the Jenkins family.

Holcombe Scholars Program

The Holcombe Scholars Program is one of the highest funded academic scholarships at USF. These scholarships are funded by Brad and Terry Holcombe, two USF graduates.
A select group of Scholars are elected annually from a statewide competition of high school seniors who are admitted to USF as freshmen. The Holcombe recipients are academically talented students with financial need.

The program is designed to provide academic and personal support services for all scholars, freshman through senior year. The scholars participate in various scholarly and cultural activities, such as academic mentoring activities, academic/personal development seminars, career advising and planned activities with the Holcombe family.

**Office of National Scholarships**

**Location/Phone:** John and Grace Allen (ALN) 271; (813) 974-3087  
**Web Address:** [http://ons.usf.edu](http://ons.usf.edu)

The Office of National Scholarships identifies, recruits and mentors high achieving students, both undergraduate and graduate, to apply for prestigious nationally competitive scholarships, fellowships and awards such as the Rhodes, Marshall, Mitchell, Fulbright, Goldwater and Truman. Some awards support graduate or professional study in the U.S., while others involve education abroad or independent research. These opportunities are open to all qualified USF students who wish to apply.

University of South Florida students have won nationally prestigious awards including Fulbright, Goldwater and Udall.

**Director:** Sayan Basu

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