Honors Program

In recognition of your outstanding academic accomplishments during your high school career, you are invited to apply for admission to the Huston-Tillotson University W.E.B. DuBois Honors Program. Each year, approximately 20 new students will receive letters of acceptance into the Honors Program. If accepted, you will be eligible for a scholarship/waiver (covering your HT tuition and fees), and you will join the DuBois Scholars honor students who participate in specialized honors courses, career oriented opportunities, service projects and cultural enrichment events.

The goals of our Honors Program are as follows:

To motivate academically gifted and talented students
To foster intellectual independence and the pursuit of academic excellence
To intensify the learning experience at Huston-Tillotson University
To prepare students for graduate schools and professional careers
To promote lifelong learning

Checklist:

- Complete DuBois application
- Attach writing sample
- Attach high school transcript
- Letter of recommendation

Qualifications:

- 3.5 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale
- SAT 1000 (Reading & Math)/ACT 22
- Examples of your leadership ability (via school and/or community activities)

Submit a separate application for admission to Huston-Tillotson University

Mail DuBois Honors application materials to:

Dr. Janice Sumler-Edmond, Director
W.E.B. DuBois Honors Program Huston-Tillotson University
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Austin, TX 78702

Telephone: 512-505-3100
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W.E.B. DuBois Honors Program
Huston-Tillotson University
Application for the 2014-2015 academic year

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF HONORS APPLICATIONS IS JULY 31, 2014

1. Personal Data *(Please type or print neatly in ink.)*

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________
                Street     City     State     Zip     Country

Telephone: ___________________________________________________________
                Home     Cellular

Email Address: _______________________________________________________

Date of Birth: ______________________________ Age: _______________________

Your gender: Male ☐   Female ☐

Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____________________________________________

Occupation of Mother or Guardian: ______________________________________

Father's/Guardian’s Name: _____________________________________________

Occupation of Father or Guardian: ______________________________________

Number of Brothers: _____________________ Number of Sisters: _______________

2. Education Information *(Please type or print neatly in ink.)*

High School: __________________________________________________________

Address of High School: _______________________________________________

Size of Graduation Class: _______ Your Class Rank: _________ Graduation Date _________

Grade Point Average *(GPA)* [on a 4.0 scale] _________

SAT SCORES: Verbal _____ Math _____ Writing _____   ACT SCORE: _______

Your Intended Major in College: __________________________________________

Your Intended Career: ____________________________________________________
If you have taken Honors Courses or Advanced Placement Courses or if you have participated in an accelerated program at your high school, list those courses or programs:

a.  
c.  

b.  
d.  

3. Telephone Interview (Please type.)

What are your preferred days of the week and times that we may call you for a telephone interview, lasting approximately 15 minutes? We will telephone several days in advance to confirm the actual day and time for the interview.

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4. Interest Profile (Please type or print neatly in ink.)

List two or three memorable books you have read during the past two years:

a.  
c.  

b.  

List your school activities:

a.  
b.  
c.  
d.  

List your community activities:

a.  
c.  

b.  
d.  

Which cultural events have you attended in the past two years? (Check all that apply.)

- Play
- Museum Exhibit
- Symphony or other musical concert
- Vocal Concert
- Dance Concert
- Other _________________________

5. Writing Sample

On a separate sheet of paper, write an essay (approximately one type-written page, double spaced) indicating why you want to become a Scholar in the W.E.B. DuBois Honors Program at Huston-Tillotson University. Also discuss your academic qualifications that make you a good candidate for the Honors Program.
6. Teacher Recommendation Form

Student Applicant:

Please complete the blank spaces on this form before giving it to the teacher who will recommend you. The teacher may send this completed form along with the letter of recommendation directly to Dr. Sumler-Edmond or the student applicant may include the teacher’s sealed letter and form in his or her application packet.

To the Teacher:

Your student, whose name is indicated below, is applying for admission to the W.E.B. DuBois Honors Program. Our Honors Program is named for Dr. W.E.B. DuBois, the African American sociologist, historian, writer, civil rights activist and intellectual of the twentieth century. Launched during the fall semester of 2003, the Honors Program serves academically gifted and talented students whose high school accomplishments are indicative of their intellectual ability, motivation, and leadership ability. The program offers students scholarship assistance and a unique opportunity to enrich their undergraduate education through specialized curricula, career-oriented opportunities, service learning, and cultural activities.

Please assist us by indicating in your letter the student's qualifications for admission to our Program, including his or her academic ability, level of maturity, and leadership potential.

APPLICANT'S NAME: ________________________________________________________

APPLICANT'S HIGH SCHOOL: _____________________________________________

RECOMMENDER'S NAME & TITLE: __________________________________________

RECOMMENDER'S EMAIL OR PHONE: _______________________________________

To the Applicant:

In accordance with the Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, you may waive your right to inspect this recommendation by signing the statement below. Should you decide not to waive your right, you will have access to the recommendation if you become a member of the Honors Program.

☐ I hereby waive my right of access to this recommendation.

☐ I do not waive my right of access to this recommendation.

Applicant's Signature: ____________________________ Date ____________________