



The Meijer Honors College at Grand Valley State University offers academically motivated students like you a distinctive learning community and extraordinary opportunities to engage, develop, and grow as a student, leader, and individual. The honors experience will differentiate you when you apply for jobs, fellowships, or graduate school. It will enrich your college experience and energize your life. That's the Laker Effect.



DECIDEDLY DIFFERENT DELIVERY

The unique approach of our honors courses — integrated, active, and often team-taught — creates a special atmosphere where you are challenged to take charge of your education.

And since so many honors students choose to live where they learn, like-minded students and faculty offices are usually nearby, providing even more support, community, and opportunity.

"Meijer Honors College delivers GVSU's academic excellence on a smaller scale and sustains it over the course of our students' education. Through interdisciplinary teaching, co-curricular programming, and engagement with the larger university, community students get a 'college in a university' feel."

COELI FITZPATRICK // PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY AND MIDDLE EAST STUDIES // CHAIR OF MEIJER HONORS COLLEGE



THE FOUR KEY DRIVERS OF MEIJER HONORS COLLEGE

Connect

Team taught, connected courses, issues of interest, cohort format

Engage

Lectures and performances, study abroad, learning/living centers, student organizations

Deepen

Faculty seminars, interdisciplinary scope, academic exploration, scholarly curiosity

Apply

Student/faculty research, junior seminar, senior project

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COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

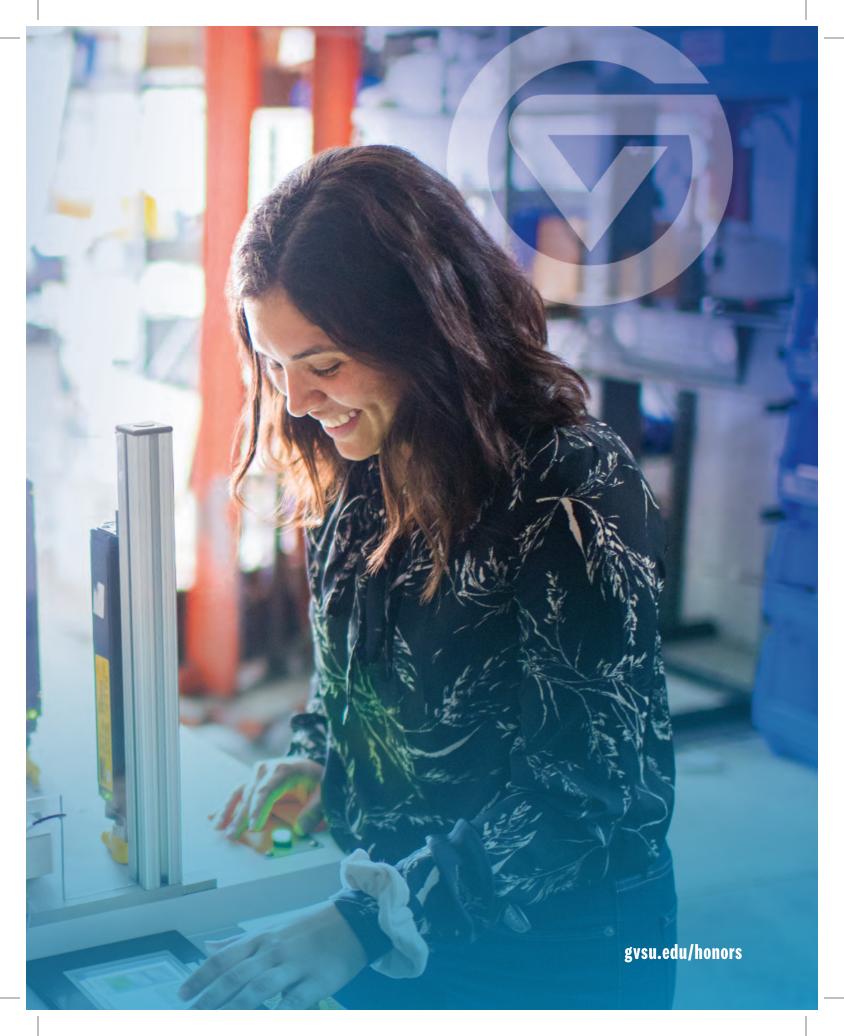
Students from any major can be part of the Meijer Honors College. Samantha Spurr is majoring in interdisciplinary engineering and minoring in philosophy and loves how the honors program helped keep her courseload manageable while ensuring academic rigor. Spurr also loves how her yearlong co-op with a local medical device company gave her 1,500 hours of

professional, hands-on work experience while getting paid to do it.

Students across all majors recognize the great return on investment of these types of opportunities and know that their time in Meijer Honors College will give them a competitive advantage when they begin their careers.

"Meijer Honors College was one of the main reasons
I came to Grand Valley. The students are all very
driven, all very academically inclined, and all
very responsible. It's prepared me quite a bit.
It's showed me what I'm good at and what I like."

SAMANTHA SPURR // CLASS OF 2020 INTERDISCIPLINARY ENGINEERING MAJOR // PHILOSOPHY MINOR HOMETOWN: WOODHAVEN, MI





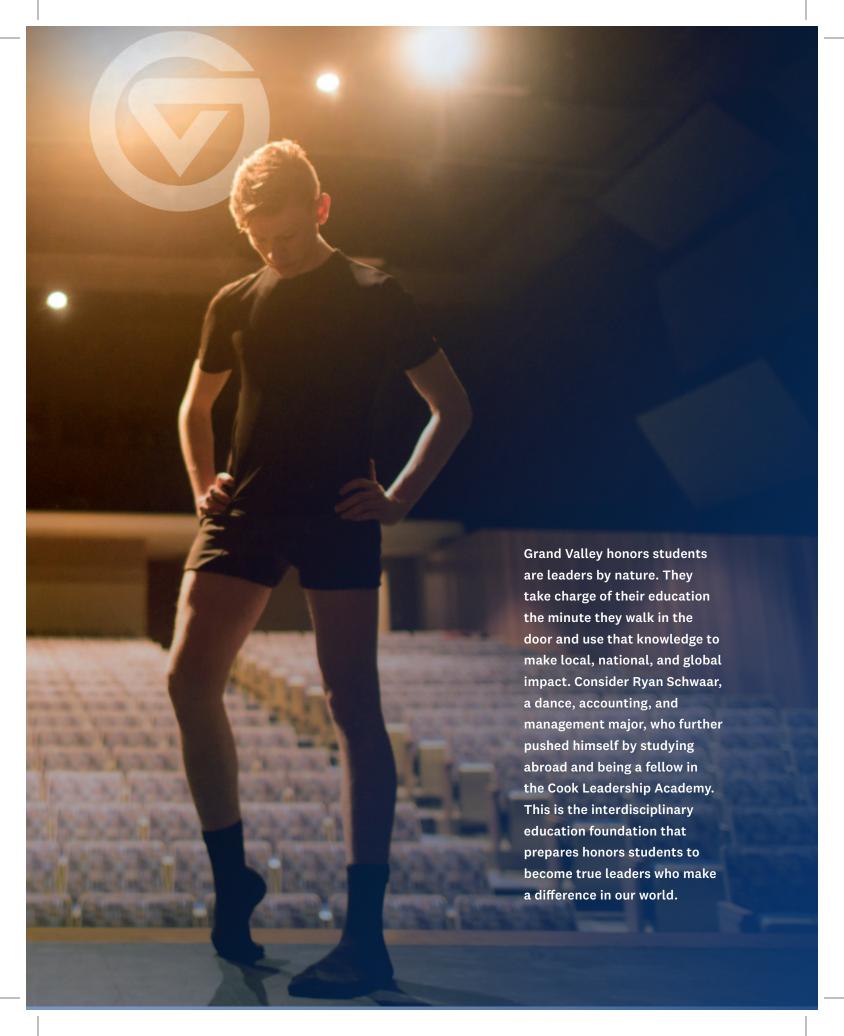




"Being in Meijer Honors College put me in thoughtful and challenging classes that broadened my understanding of my community, the way I want to prioritize my life, and the extent to which I want to celebrate diversity."

RYAN SCHWAAR // CLASS OF 2019
DANCE, ACCOUNTING, AND MANAGEMENT MAJOR
OPERATIONS COORDINATOR, HUBBARD STREET DANCE CHICAGO

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MEIJER HONORS COLLEGE GRADUATES HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED BY NATIONALLY RENOWNED ORGANIZATIONS:

- Accenture
- Amazon
- Blue Cross/Blue Shield
- Cargill®
- Deloitte
- Disney Parks and Resorts
- Ernst and Young
- GE Aviation
- Herman Miller
- Johnson Controls
- SteelcaseTM
- Stryker®
- U.S. Department of Justice

MEIJER HONORS COLLEGE GRADUATES OFTEN GO ON TO PRESTIGIOUS GRADUATE SCHOOLS:

- Columbia University
- Georgetown University
- Harvard University
- Michigan State University
- New York University
- Texas A&M University
- The George Washington University
- The University of Arizona
- University of Michigan
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin Madison

SCHOLARSHIPS

Many Meijer Honors College students are eligible to apply for any of the university's merit or needs-based scholarships. In addition, thanks to the generosity of Frederik Meijer, Arend D. and Nancy Lubbers, and others, some Meijer Honors College students also are eligible for special academic scholarships, with some receiving full-tuition funding.

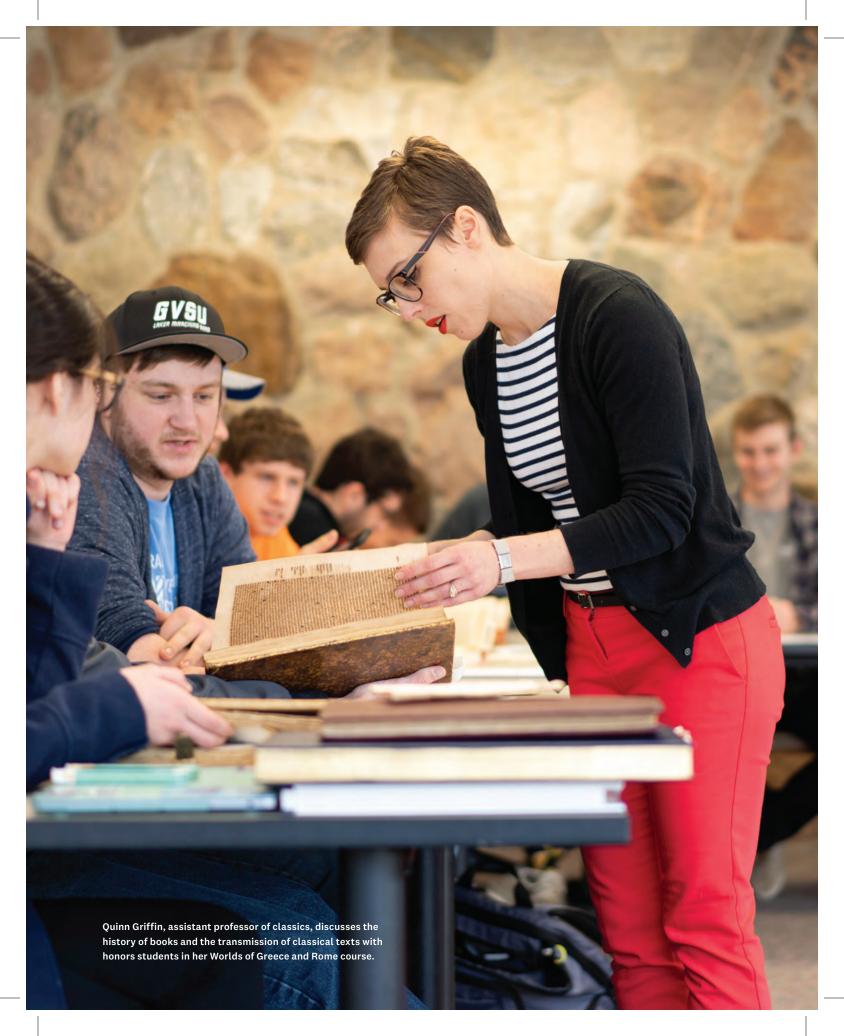
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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

You must first be accepted to Grand Valley before applying to the Meijer Honors College. We employ a holistic application process, which means we consider the whole student, not just static indicators. In the application, we look for demonstrations of strong academic motivation and ability to achieve on a high level. The application asks students to show these through completing a self-assessment, listing academic and leadership accomplishments, writing a strong essay, and submitting a significant analytical or creative paper from high school. All motivated students are encouraged to apply. If you think you'd like to be part of our learning and living community, please contact us!

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We offer more than 250 sustainability-related courses and run an aggressive recycling program.

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Please recycle this book. Or, better yet, pass it on.



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