

Carl H. Lindner College of Business

Business Honors Programs

BENEFITS AND EXPECTATIONS.

Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS

All students admitted to the Lindner Honors-PLUS program receive merit scholarships sufficient to cover all (in-state) academic and general fees. The annual merit award is adjusted for inflation and is renewable (by meeting program requirements and expectations verified through an annual review process) for up to a maximum 12 quarters of academic study.

Participation in the CINCINNATUS scholarship program at the University of Cincinnati is not required for admission but strongly encouraged if eligible. Students receiving a CINCINNATUS scholarship will receive the award annually by meeting all CINCINNATUS criteria. LH+ freshmen will receive the combined amount of the LH+ merit award and the CINCINNATUS award, if earned. LH+ non-freshmen, eligible for continuation, will receive the CINCINNATUS award supplemented with a LH+ scholarship to ensure sufficient coverage of all (in-state) academic and general fees.

All LH+ students admitted are **required** to reside in the Lindner Honors-PLUS honors housing within the University of Cincinnati's residence halls their freshman year. The residence experience is an integral part of the LH+ program.

Marvin P. Kolodzik Business Scholars

All students admitted to the Kolodzik Business Scholars program receive merit scholarships of up to \$2,550 annually (\$850 quarterly for a maximum of three academic quarters per year). The annual award is renewable (by meeting program requirements and expectations verified through an annual review process) for up to a maximum of 12 quarters of academic study.

Participation in the CINCINNATUS scholarship program at the University of Cincinnati is not required for admission but strongly encouraged if eligible. Students receiving a CINCINNATUS scholarship will receive the award annually by meeting all CINCINNATUS criteria. All KBS (freshmen and non-freshmen) will receive the combined amount of the KBS merit award and the CINCINNATUS award, if earned.

Each KBS admitted student has the option to live within the University of Cincinnati's residence halls. KBS have the priority, if they so choose, to live on the "Business Majors" theme floor established through residence life. KBS student are not eligible for honors housing since they are offered the themed floor experience.

Lindner Honors-PLUS and Kolodzik Business Scholars

The scholarship award is designed to assist with the financing of the recipient's undergraduate study at the University of Cincinnati. All renewals are made in advance for one year unless special conditions dictate otherwise. Each scholar is expected to be a superior citizen of the student body, both in achievement and conduct. A scholarship may be canceled by academic achievement that fails to meet the respective program's continuation criteria or by conduct that is contrary to the programs' high standards. Renewal and conduct cases will be reviewed by the Scholarship Advisory Committee of each respective program prior to a final decision.

Financial need, which the University administers through its Office of Student Financial Aid, is not a consideration in making selections to each program. However, need-based financial aid for which an applicant is eligible will be added to the merit scholarship to determine the individual's full financial aid award.

For more CINCINNATUS scholarship program information, see <http://www.financialaid.uc.edu/cincinnati>. Need-based financial aid may be used to supplement merit scholarships. See the Financial Assistance section of the University of Cincinnati's Application for Undergraduate Admission for eligibility conditions and process.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

The educational experience within the LH+ or the KBS programs are designed for highly motivated individuals with superior academic ability and demonstrated leadership skills who are committed to a career in business.

LH+ selection decisions are based on both the “academic honors criteria” (e.g. test scores, grade point averages, and class ranking) along with the “PLUS” criteria, such as **P**romise as a business professional; **L**eadership in school and community activities; **U**nderstanding of the global marketplace and diverse cultures; **S**uccess through talent, commitment, dedication, and effort. LH+ seeks to attract students whose academic measures place them in the top 10 percent nationally, whose extracurricular activities indicate excellent leadership potential, and who are motivated to become business and community leaders.

KBS selection decisions are based mainly on the “academic honors criteria” (e.g. test scores, grade point averages, and class ranking) with some consideration of additional extra-curricular activities, community service, and personal communication and/or leadership skills.

ELIGIBILITY:

To be and maintain eligibility a candidate for either business honors program must:

1. Apply for admission to the University of Cincinnati and the College of Business using the online University of Cincinnati application for Undergraduate Admission **no later than December 1**. *Information from the UC admissions application will be referenced by the business honors selection committee so the December 1 deadline is important.*
2. Apply to either or both of the business honors programs using the online “Business Honors Application” **no later than December 1, 2011**.
3. Meet the admission requirements to the University of Cincinnati as a freshman in the College of Business.
4. Upon initial review of the Business Honors Applications, the admissions committee will identify select students to continue the admission process by inviting selected candidates to participate in a mandatory “Information Exchange” which includes a personal interview. *Students not selected for interviews will be provided a status update and possible option(s) including entering the UC College of Business as a traditional student and applying for transfer consideration at the end of students’ freshman year.*

Personal interviews are conducted throughout February. The order of students invited and timing of invitations are random. Therefore, for example, applicants from the same high school may receive status updates and/or interview invitations at different times throughout February.

5. Maintain your current level of academic performance, graduate high school on schedule, and, if eligible, participate in the CINCINNATUS Competition.

GUIDELINES:

1. The UC admission and Business Honor applications are to be completed by the student.
2. Applicants are required to obtain three letters of reference. The letters can be submitted via email to scott.gregory@uc.edu or US Mail to Scott Gregory, 102 Lindner Hall, c/o Business Honors, College of Business, Cincinnati, OH 45221-0020.
3. The student applicant submits the completed Business Honors Application and materials **no later than December 1** of the candidate’s senior year.
4. All Business Honors applicants who are eligible for the University’s CINCINNATUS Scholarship Competition are strongly urged to participate. Submission of the UC Application for Undergraduate Admission **by December 1** establishes consideration for an applicant’s eligibility for the CINCINNATUS Competition.

Information will be sent inviting each qualified applicant to participate in the competition after the applicant has been admitted to UC if the completed UC application is submitted prior to **December 1**.

5. Business Honors applicants will be notified as to their admissions status by email **no later than March 15**.
6. Finalists who are not accepted into a business honors program but who earned a CINCINNATUS Scholarship, will still be eligible to receive their CINCINNATUS scholarship.
7. Applicants offered admission to a business honors program are asked to respond to the offer by stated deadline in offer stating:
 - (a) Conditional acceptance, thereby guaranteeing a seat in the entering class. This “soft” acceptance simply holds your position until a firm decision is made by May 1. It is understandable you may decide not to accept the offer at which time simply notify us of such so another eligible student may be offered an opportunity.
 - (b) Decline the offer and withdraw from consideration thus dropping the student from consideration for a business honors program without affecting the student’s application status to the University of Cincinnati. To cancel the UC admissions offer, please contact UC Admissions at (513) 556-1100.
8. As a reminder, have you completed and returned the University of Cincinnati Application for Undergraduate Admission? Have you completed and returned the “Free Application for Federal Student Aid” (FAFSA)? Remember that these processes are separate from applying for a business honors program and that you are responsible for completing them.

**Carl H. Lindner College of Business
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APPLICATION FORM**

GO FAR. START AT THE TOP.

The College of Business at the University of Cincinnati offers two, non-traditional business honors programs – the **Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS** and the **Marvin P. Kolodzik Business Scholars** programs. Each is highly selective giving students access to the best business curriculum available and a network of leading business professionals. Start ahead of the game with an unparalleled undergraduate business education.

The Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS (LH+) program is a unique and challenging honors program emphasizing practical business experience with extensive business leadership, global exposure, and training to prepare students to be leaders in their field. Integrating experiences and seminars are key to this program.

The Marvin P. Kolodzik Business Scholars (KBS) program develops valued professionals with depth and passion in their desired field of business. This program builds business specialists, exceptional in their global, innovative and collaborative mindset. Flexibility is the hallmark of this program empowering students to customize their experiences.

By completing and submitting this UC College of Business Honors application per guidelines, the applicant will automatically be considered for admission to both programs.

_____ I agree, I am applying for admission consideration to both programs.

_____ I disagree, I only want to be considered for the Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS program.

_____ I disagree, I only want to be considered for the Marvin P. Kolodzik Business Scholars program.

APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

Use only the space provided. *(Please apply using same name as used on your UC admission application.)*

Statements by Applicant.

Required: I have read and understand the process, eligibility, and guidelines governing the Business Honors Application as stated. I understand that personal evaluations and other admission materials may be kept confidential and I waive any right of access that I might have to them. I authorize the business admissions committee to reference my academic record and transcript from my UC application for admission.

Signature and date: _____

Optional: I grant permission to the University of Cincinnati's Division of Public Relations and its representatives to release information contained in this application and information about my ongoing involvement in a business honors program to any and all news media (including, but not limited to, TV, radio, and print journalists) excluding any personal identification aside from your name.

Signature and date: _____

If the applicant is under 18 years of age, a parent / guardian is asked to sign permission for release of information.

Signature and date: _____

Full Name _____ *I prefer to be called:* _____

Address Street _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
 Email address _____ (Note: All correspondence will be via this email).

Phone (____) _____ **Date of Birth:** _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)
(used solely to match your UC application)

Name of Principal or Headmaster _____

Name of School Counselor _____

Name of Your School _____

School Address: Street _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

OTHER ACTIVITIES and HONORS & AWARDS

Please share with us your high school activities, community service, and honors. Do not feel you must fill every space. If you find space limited in a category, please list those entries most representative of your achievements.

A. Academic Honors, Competitions, and Contests

(Check all that apply; indicate specific award and year.)

Honors	Check Year Involved				Description
	9th	10th	11th	12th	
National Merit Scholarship Competition	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Boys/Girls State	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Who's Who Among American High School Academic Teams/Bowls Awards (list)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Conferences Attended (list)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
State/District/County Competitions (list)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

B. School Activities

i) **HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**
(For each year, select the letter from the legend that best describes your involvement.)

	Year Involved				LEGEND
	9th	10th	11th	12th	
Class Office	_____	_____	_____	_____	P = President
Debate	_____	_____	_____	_____	V = Vice President
National Honor Society	_____	_____	_____	_____	S = Secretary
School Paper	_____	_____	_____	_____	T = Treasurer
School Yearbook	_____	_____	_____	_____	E = Editor
Speech	_____	_____	_____	_____	C = Captain
Student Council	_____	_____	_____	_____	M = Member
Other (list) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	O = Other (specify)
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

ii) **FINE ARTS ACTIVITIES**

(For each fine art activity, check years involved and list leadership position/involvement.)

	Year Involved				Description
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

iii) **SCHOOL ATHLETICS**

(For each school athletics, intramural, and community teams, check years involved, level of leadership, and /involvement.)

	Year Involved				Description
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

C. COMMUNITY and SERVICE INVOLVEMENT

(List your service participation in community organizations, individual volunteer work and religious activities. Under the year, list **hours per year** involved. Please describe your involvement.)

Organization	Hours Per Year			
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Description _____				

Organization _____				
Description _____				

Organization _____				
Description _____				

Organization _____				
Description _____				

D. WORK EXPERIENCE

(Include your employer, average **hours worked per week**, job title, and responsibilities of the job.)

Employer	Hours Per Week				Job Title
	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Responsibilities _____					

Employer _____					_____
Responsibilities _____					

Employer _____
Responsibilities _____

ESSAY

Your academic accomplishments (high school grades, test scores) as well as community service and extracurricular involvement reflect only a part of who you are as an individual. Beyond this limited scope, tell us more about yourself. In 750 words or less, discuss what values and characteristics you as an individual maintain and desire. Cite specific events and relationships that may have influenced these ideals.

ACADEMIC RECORDS

As stated, the data and information included in your UC admissions application will be used by the business honors admissions committee. Therefore, an incomplete UC admissions application will halt the processing of your business honors application.

Applicant Name _____ **Date** _____
(insertion of name will be used as your signature)

Thank you for taking the time to provide essential information. Your application will be fully evaluated.

For information, please contact Mr. Scott Gregory via scott.gregory@uc.edu or (513) 556-7037 or Mrs. LaDreka Karikari via ladreka.karikari@uc.edu or (513) 556-6392.