



## Application Process and Requirements for Admission 2023/24

(1) Prepare a carefully and thoughtfully written (typed) document of approximately 1000 words (total), addressing each of the following three questions as separate short essays. Thus, you may divide up your total of 1000 words among your three answers, and do try to use up the 1000 words to produce well-developed short-answer essays:

- Design **a monument to the future**: in producing a developed description, what would it look like and be made of, where would you locate it, and why? Please be detailed and give thought to the composition of this monument!
- Define **one ideal characteristic** for a student seeking admission into the **Oregon Tech Honors Program**. Why is this characteristic important to you for a student seeking to be in the Honors Program?
- From a saying of the ancient Greek poet Archilochus: “The fox knows many things, but the hedgehog knows one big thing.” Hedgehogs have a single grand idea that they apply to everything, while foxes come up with a new idea for every situation: **So, which one are you, a hedgehog, or a fox, and what makes you say so?**

The essay answers, as part of the application process, may be reviewed by the Honors Program Admissions Committee (HPAC): Exec. Director and/or Assistant Director, Core Faculty, and current students of the OTHP.

(2) Please indicate in your application your current or expected undergraduate major(s) and minors, and your anticipated date of graduation (month/year). We require Honors Program students to have a minimum of three years as students at Oregon Tech, which may include a year on externship or study abroad. *If you have any questions, please ask.*

Email (1) and (2) above as one attached file, ideally a .pdf to: [Christopher.Syrnyk@oit.edu](mailto:Christopher.Syrnyk@oit.edu).

**Please include** “Honors Application First and Last Name” in the subject line of your Oregon Tech email.

**We are accepting applications for Fall term January 1<sup>st</sup> to September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Sometimes we extend the deadline. Application review will conclude before the start of Fall term 2023.**

(3) After the HPAC reviews the essay answers, we will contact students and let them know of their acceptance/admission status. The final element of the application process, if deemed necessary, may include an interview with the prospective student—in person or via Zoom—with HPAC or the Executive Director.

(4) Final admission decisions, at the latest, will be provided in writing, via email, **before the end of September**.

If you have questions about the Honors Program or application process, please email the Exec. Director, Dr. Syrnyk, and see our website (FYI the website is a work in progress): [Oregon Tech Honors Program](#)

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Thank you, and we look forward to your application!