

How to Apply for the Elon Fellows Programs

Step 1

APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO ELON.

Complete and submit an Elon University Freshman Admission application, along with the \$50 application fee, official high school transcript, official SAT or ACT scores, and the completed Counselor Evaluation Form no later than the following dates:

EARLY DECISION: November 1

EARLY ACTION: November 10

FINAL DEADLINE: January 10

You can apply online at www.elon.edu/admissions.

Step 2

COMPLETE AND SUBMIT A FELLOWS APPLICATION NO LATER THAN JANUARY 10.

For **Honors, Elon College, Business, Communications, National Teaching Fellows and Isabella Cannon Leadership Fellows:** submit the Elon Fellows application postmarked no later than January 10. The application is included in this booklet and is available online at www.elon.edu/fellows.

An application for any Elon Fellows Program must include:

- > *Fellows application with all data completed on the form.*
- > *Essays answering a question for each Fellows Program to which you are applying.*

For **North Carolina Teaching Fellows:** obtain the special application online or from your high school guidance counselor. The application is due mid-October. Candidates are selected by the N.C. Teaching Fellows Commission in a statewide competition. Only U.S. citizens who are N.C. residents are eligible. You do not need to submit the Fellows application in this booklet.

For **Elon Engineering Scholarships:** a separate application is necessary. Contact the Office of Admissions or download the application at www.elon.edu/admissions/engineering. The application must be postmarked no later than January 10.

How should I decide which program(s) to apply for?

Fellows Programs are primarily school-based, so you should be planning to major in one of the fields contained within the school sponsoring the Fellows Program. The exceptions are Honors Fellows, which is for students in any major except engineering, and Leadership Fellows, which is also not specific to a major field of study. Please visit www.elon.edu/fellows for a list of majors housed within each school. Students who are undecided about a major typically apply to Honors Fellows if they wish to pursue the thesis option or to Elon College Fellows because of the breadth of majors offered in the arts and sciences.

It is important to note that students who plan to major in engineering have a very specific three-year curriculum, which precludes participating in any of the Fellows Programs. Engineering candidates should apply for the scholarships associated only with that major instead of a Fellows Program.

How many programs may I apply for?

Students may apply for **one school-based (Business, Elon College, Communications or Teaching) and one non-school-based (Honors or Leadership) program.** However, you may participate in only one Fellows Program. You may not apply to two programs based in different schools because you are required to major in one of the fields within a school. For example, you may not apply to both the Communications Fellows and the Business Fellows because they are in two different schools. Because the Honors and Isabella Cannon Leadership Fellows Programs are not school-based, you may apply to both of these or to one of them in combination with a school-based program. If you apply to two programs, be sure to list your first and second choice.

Candidates selected to compete for Honors Fellows will be required to have a teacher recommendation submitted on their behalf prior to the competition weekend. Recommendations must clearly state your name at the top of the letter and that you are being recommended for the Elon University Honors Fellows Program. All Honors recommendations must be mailed to the attention of Cindy Barr, Assistant Dean of Admissions, 2700 Campus Box, Elon, NC 27244 USA.

What happens after I apply?

All Fellows applications are reviewed after January 10. Finalists for each program are selected by faculty committees. If you are a finalist, you will be invited one month in advance to attend **Fellows & Scholarship Weekend, March 5–6, 2010.** If you applied under the final deadline decision period, you will receive a decision about your freshman admission status at the time of invitation to Fellows & Scholarship Weekend.

The Fellows competition includes attending a seminar and writing a response, an interview with faculty and information sessions about the Fellows Programs. From this competition, Fellows are selected and notified April 1.

Mark your calendar! *Fellows & Scholarship Weekend*

FRIDAY–SATURDAY, MARCH 5–6, 2010

If you are invited to Fellows & Scholarship Weekend, you do not need to attend one of Elon's Spring Orientation weekends. Please wait until you receive notification about your Fellows application before making reservations for an orientation program. Fellows & Scholarship Weekend includes many of the same activities as Spring Orientation, such as campus and residence hall tours. Also, you will want to find out if you have been selected as a Fellow before you choose your freshman courses. Of course, you may attend both Fellows and an orientation weekend if that is your preference.

The Elon University Fellows Programs Application For Students Entering Fall 2010

Honors Fellows · Elon College Fellows (the College of Arts and Sciences) · National Teaching Fellows · Business Fellows · Communications Fellows · Isabella Cannon Leadership Fellows

Name _____
FIRST MIDDLE LAST PREFERRED

Street _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Country _____

Home Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY) _____

E-mail (print clearly) _____

High School _____

Highest SAT CR _____ SAT M _____ SAT W _____ Highest ACT Composite _____

GPA _____ weighted/unweighted on a scale of _____

School Phone Number _____

PARENT 1 Full Name: Mr. Ms. _____ Daytime Phone _____

PARENT 2 Full Name: Mr. Ms. _____ Daytime Phone _____

Intended Major(s): (If undecided, print "undecided" and at least two majors in which you have interest.) _____

In order to be considered for a school-based Fellows Program, you must plan to pursue a major housed within that program's school. Visit www.elon.edu/fellows/majors for a list of majors.

You may apply for a maximum of two programs. Please note that you cannot apply for more than one school-based program (Business, Elon College, National Teaching Fellows or Communications).

I am applying for the following program(s):

School-based programs:

- Business
- Elon College
- Communications
- National Teaching Fellows (for students outside of N.C.)

Non-school-based programs:

- Honors
- Leadership

Jane M. Baird Pre-medical Scholarships: Honors and Elon College Fellows applicants planning to attend medical school may also apply for the Jane M. Baird Pre-medical Scholarships. Two scholarships of \$3,000 will be awarded. A separate essay is required. Baird recipients are named at the time Fellows awards are offered.

Please consider me for a Baird Scholarship.

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Are you also a candidate for the North Carolina Teaching Fellows Program? (N.C. residents only) Yes No

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS, INCLUDING ENRICHMENT AND GIFTED PROGRAMS

Please list and explain those academic honors and awards that are particularly meaningful to you, especially those which might be pertinent to the Fellows Program(s) to which you are applying.

WORK EXPERIENCE

If you have work experience, please list jobs you have had and your major responsibilities.

EXTRACURRICULAR AND PERSONAL ACTIVITIES

List the activities that have the most meaning to you. Please do not repeat activities in multiple categories.

(Maximum of 3 per category)

School-related Organizations	Positions Held	Years
1 _____		
2 _____		
3 _____		

Leadership Experiences	Positions Held	Years
1 _____		
2 _____		
3 _____		

Special Talent (Athletics, Performing Arts, etc.)	Positions Held	Years
1 _____		
2 _____		
3 _____		

Community or Religious Activities	Positions Held	Years
1 _____		
2 _____		
3 _____		

Volunteer Service	Years
1 _____	
2 _____	
3 _____	

SPECIFIC FELLOWS QUESTIONS

Be sure to answer the specific question for each of the programs to which you are applying. Your essay should be approximately 500 words, typed or printed, and attached to this form. Respond thoughtfully. Your answers and your achievements will form the basis of a decision to invite you to Fellows Weekend and for admission into a program. You must complete the appropriate essay(s) for the program(s) to which you are applying. The application and essay must be submitted at the same time on or before January 10, 2010.

Honors Fellows and Elon College Fellows: Explain how your personal beliefs, values, and attitudes have been shaped by specific aspects of the cultural context in which you've lived. How have particular social and historical circumstances in which you've grown up influenced the person you are today?

Teaching Fellows: Today's teachers are charged to prepare students to be "future-ready" – globally competitive in the job market and prepared for life in the 21ST Century. How would you see yourself preparing "future-ready" students? What kinds of knowledge, skills and attitudes would you try to instill in your students to prepare them to be "future-ready?"

Jane M. Baird Pre-medical Scholarship Essay: Why do you wish to be a physician? How has your service to others impacted you and your desire for a career in the medical field?

Business Fellows: Suppose that you are flying on a business trip and find yourself in the middle seat between two legendary business leaders (think in terms of someone with the stature of Henry Ford or Bill Gates). Who would you want these two people to be? What would you discuss with them? Please explain your selections.

Communications Fellows: What experiences have you had or what special characteristics do you have that will distinguish you from your peers in the School of Communications? What do you plan to accomplish in college to prepare yourself for a career in communications? Include in your essay a discussion of how the media will change in upcoming years and how you will prepare yourself for these changes.

Isabella Cannon Leadership Fellows: How do you define leadership and how have your leadership experiences shaped your definition? Why are you applying to the program?

All applications *must* be postmarked no later than January 10. Please mail this application to:

Elon University Office of Admissions and Financial Planning, 2700 Campus Box, Elon, NC 27244 USA

If you have any questions, please call the Office of Admissions, 800-334-8448.