



Honors and Scholars Programs

Leeds offers two programs for top-achieving students interested in a more challenging business curriculum and focused leadership development, including the opportunity to participate in a global experience during their first year.

Honors Program Overview

A rigorous academic business curriculum for the highest achieving students.

- Specialized academic and professional advising
- Mentorship opportunities
- Enhanced academic experience
- Honors distinction on your transcript
- Global experience option

Admission Requirements

Incoming first-year students in the top 15% of the incoming class will automatically receive an invitation to join the Honors Program when applying.

Students who do not start in the Honors Program but achieve a 3.8+ GPA at the end of their first year will be invited to join.

Program Experience

The Leeds Honors Program offers students the opportunity to enhance their academic experience through more challenging business courses. Students will complete 13 (direct admit) or 12 (second-entry cohorts) credits in their business degree at the Honors level, learning from top faculty and engaging with a community of academically driven peers. Leeds Honors students who complete the required credits and maintain a 3.6 or better cumulative GPA will earn Honors designation on their final degree transcript.

Co-Curricular Opportunities

Students in the Honors Program have the option to attend a multitude of employer workshops and prominent speaker events. Additionally, students will have access to dedicated, industry-experienced advisors to assist with everything from academics to career placement assistance.

Global Experience The Honors Program runs an optional trek to the United Arab Emirates, where students will meet with various companies, government agencies and Emirati citizens to learn about conducting business in the Middle East. Beyond the business visits, students engage in cultural activities and partake in community outreach to enhance the global learning experience.

Scholars Program Overview

A holistic leadership development program for top-achieving undergraduate students.

- Specialized academic and professional advising
- Active mentorship from program alumni
- Global enrichment / international consulting projects
- Personal development and leadership training
- Skill-building workshops and community outreach

Application Requirements

Incoming first-years and rising Leeds sophomores are invited to apply. The process involves submitting a formal application and conducting a business-style interview.

Application link: leeds.ly/future-scholars

Scholarships and Grants

The Leeds Scholars Program offers each member a first year global trek (if travel is feasible) and a \$4,000 opportunity fund. The fund may be used for a tuition scholarship (up to \$1,000 per year), unpaid internship, service learning opportunity, attending a conference, or other opportunities to enhance professional and personal growth.

Outreach Projects

Leeds Scholars engage in service leadership projects by researching and implementing a community-based solution to an identified need. Past projects have taught middle-school-age girls coding, helped destigmatize homelessness, sent students to New Orleans, Louisiana, to work on food security, and brought a TEDx talk to CU Boulder.

Global Experience The Leeds First-Year Global Experience program allows first-year students to learn how culture and history impact international business, enhance their intercultural competence and begin building a global network. This trip is fully funded for students in the Scholars Program (when travel is feasible) and incorporates international consulting-style projects. Past trips include Argentina, Japan and South Africa.

