Admission to the Honors College is based on a holistic review of each student’s academic performance as well as any other information included in the application such as rigor of coursework, standardized test scores, class rank, essay response, teacher recommendations, outstanding leadership, commitment to community service, etc. Space is limited in each class and admissions criteria may vary according to the applicant pool in any given year.

Students denied admission to the Honors College may appeal their decision by submitting the following required documents no later than April 1, 2014:

- Appeals Form
- Updated Transcript Must be sent directly from your high school counselor and show mid-year grades
- Personal Statement Please answer the following questions in your statement:
  a. Why do you want to be a part of the Honors College at George Mason University?
  b. What is your intended major or area of study? Why?
  c. Are there any extenuating circumstances that you feel warrant admission to the Honors College?

Students may also submit the following optional documents by April 1, 2014:

- Updated standardized test scores
- Updated resume
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher

In some cases, the Honors College admission committee may contact the student for further information after all required documents have been received. Otherwise, an in-person appeal or interview is not available.

*Appeals completed by April 1 will be notified of a final decision via email no later than April 25, 2014. Appeals completed after April 1 will not be considered.