EMERGING SCHOLARS

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The Emerging Scholars program begins with a highly selective admission process geared to identify first year students whose high school transcripts and test scores indicate a pattern of strength in most academic subjects and lower than average performance in some others. Selected scholars are individuals that are determined to be solid students who can benefit from being a part of a close-knit cohort experience designed specifically to help students adjust to Hiram’s unique 12/3 academic calendar, transition to the academic rigor of higher education, and the demands of being a Hiram College student in general.

Benefits of the Emerging Scholars Program

Emerging Scholars attend full-time, enrolling in 14-16 credit hours per semester. All classes offered in the program are credit bearing, non-remedial, and count toward graduation.

To be eligible for the program, you must have a high school GPA between 2.4 – 2.8 and a minimum 16 ACT or 860 SAT score.

The Emerging Scholars Program Curriculum

As Hiram College does not offer remedial courses, you will enroll in classes that are offered to all students in the general education program. However, your faculty advisor and program director will work closely with you to select courses that are a good fit for your individual interests and academic fit. In addition, you will be required to enroll in two student development courses—STDV 19500 Effective and Reflective Learning and STDV 28000 Making Connections—two sections of which have been reserved for Emerging Scholars only. A more detailed description of the required STDV courses is below:

- STDV 19500 Effective and Reflective Learning (2 credit hours) – This course assists you with becoming a more confident, engaged, and effective learner and with being regularly self-reflective to understand how your college education integrates with other aspects of your life. You will gain an understanding of learning theories and their practical application as they relate to the mastery of classroom coursework.

- STDV 28000 Making Connections (1 credit hour) – This course will give you an ongoing orientation to college life at Hiram College. It will highlight available services and opportunities around Hiram. You will reflect on your personal experiences as develop communication skills while making connections to the Hiram Community.

Emerging Scholars who complete the program have the preparation they need to graduate from Hiram College with a bachelor’s degree in four years.