Honors in the Graduate School

TU/e Honors Academy
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• For motivated students who look for an additional challenge
• 20 credits ‘on top of’
• Individual, self-initiated, tailor-made program

Set your own ambitious goals and achieve them.
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Focus: personal leadership and professional development

Personal Leadership (5 credits; TU/e Honors Academy)
- The Personal Leadership Experience
- Various workshops, e.g. dragon’s den, think tank, interview CEO, networking, decision-taking
- Intimately linked with the ‘content’ of your professional development part

20 credits in total
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Professional Development (15 credits)

- Designed by yourself, so individual and tailor-made
- Coherent, challenging, ambitious, broadening your horizon
- Examples: internship, summer schools, existing internal or external Honors programs or NWO-recognized Graduate School programs, preparation for/part of PDEng of PhD
- Context for further development of personal leadership

20 credits in total
Examples of Honors Programs

Example 1
An Applied Physics student is keen to continue as a PhD after her master. She wants to work at an international top-of-the-bill lab for 3 months (15 credits) and hopes to be able to present a paper at an international conference.

Example 2
An Electrical Engineering student has an idea for a new application and wants to analyze its prospects. Together with the Innovation Lab the student will explore the various options, write a first business plan (10 credits) and dive into Intellectual Property at the University of Tilburg (5 credits).

Example 3
A Mechanical Engineering student has a strong interest in materials. He wants to participate in a summer school (5 credits) and do an internship at a Dutch company (10 credits).

All examples are without the 5 credits for personal leadership
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Application for Honors Academy

• You must prove to be among the top of your class
• Motivation letter (deadline 06 September) and interview (10-13 September)
• Tentative plan for your professional development

A motivated proposal for an additional internship can serve as an Honors Program

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Are you a Master student looking for an extra challenge?

Then joining the Honors Academy might be the thing for you!

Check our website: educationguide.tue.nl/honors

Join the Information Session

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