



THE LOUISIANA
SCHOLARS' COLLEGE
AT NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

The Louisiana Scholars' College, the state's only designated comprehensive selective-admissions honors college, provides numerous intellectually exciting options for undergraduate studies. Admission to the College is on a competitive basis, with consideration given to academic achievement, extracurricular involvement, and letters of recommendation. Students work closely, in innovative contexts, with faculty members who share their academic interests. The result of this close collaboration between highly motivated students and faculty is an intellectual experience increasingly rare in American higher education.

The Louisiana Scholars' College has its own designated faculty and its own building complete with classrooms, seminar rooms, computer and language labs, and with natural science labs only steps away. Classes are normally limited to twenty students or fewer and are usually conducted as seminars. The heart of the College's unique character lies in its curriculum, an integrated, multidisciplinary series of courses extending throughout the undergraduate career. By combining a "Great Books" sequence known as Texts and Traditions with mathematics, lab sciences, and language study, the Common Curriculum familiarizes students with the best of human achievement. In addition, each student pursues a discipline-centered concentration or major of his or her choice. As a capstone experience, all students engage in research in a Senior Thesis—work that may take the form of a scientific study, a critical essay, or a project in the arts. This bold educational opportunity is the only one of its kind in this state—in fact, one of very few in the nation.

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