**Is the Honors College Right for Me?**

**A Self-Assessment for Prospective Students**

Choose the appropriate rating for each item.

• 5 - Strongly agree

• 4 - Agree

• 3 – Indifferent or can’t decide

• 2 – Disagree

• 1 – Strongly disagree

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|  | I enjoy reading for fun.  |
|  | I always completed assigned reading in high school. |
|  | I like to write. |
|  | I enjoy other forms of self-expression, such as music and art. |
|  | I find discussing ideas with other people exciting. |
|  | I enjoy solving problems. |
|  | I am curious about the world. |
|  | I am interested in a wide range of subjects. |
|  | I try to look at issues from a variety of perspectives. |
|  | I like to express my opinions. |
|  | I like a good challenge and would prefer to take classes that challenge me. |
|  | I enjoy learning things that are not required, purely for the sake of increasing my own knowledge. |
|  | I am goal-oriented and hate to be distracted from achieving what I have set my sights on. |
|  | My strongest motivations are intrinsic. Some things are worth doing for their own sake. |
|  | I enjoy being creative in my work, finding ways to go above and beyond what is expected of me. |
|  | I tend to set high expectations for myself. |
|  | I think a good course is one that is an adventure in thinking and that tackles big issues.  |
|  | I pay attention to news, current events. |
|  | I enjoyed the classes in high school that required the most participation. |
|  | I work well independently, completing projects and research on my own. |
|  | I am a self starter. I don’t need others to tell me I should get to work. |
|  | I am comfortable with assignments that don’t tell me EXACTLY what to do and how to do it. I like to find my own way to accomplish the objective. |
|  | I am very good at scheduling my own time to accomplish my goals. |
|  | I expect to meet interesting people and be exposed to new ideas in college. |
|  | Even though I expect to make friends and participate in extracurricular activities, my top priority in college is learning. |
|  | I enjoy discussing books, films, and current events with friends. |
|  | I enjoy listening to what others have to say on a topic, even if their opinions differ from my own. |
|  | I like to test and develop my ideas by sharing them with others. |
|  | I like to collaborate with others because my peers often help me to see things in new ways. |
|  | When I do group projects, I take responsibility for my share of the workload. |
|  | I would like to be a part of a living/learning community supportive of my academic endeavors. |

**Interpreting Your Score:** Students who share many of these characteristics benefit the most from Grand Valley’s Honors College. We offer a challenging liberal arts education that explores subjects from a variety of interdisciplinary perspectives. Faculty engage students in discussion and learning activities that emphasize individual responsibility and accomplishment. If you rated most characteristics with a 4 or 5, you will undoubtedly enjoy being a part of our living and learning community.