

## HONORS FIRST-YEAR IN DEPTH

### **Honors 1010/1020**

Honors Extended Orientation (Honors 1010 and Honors 1020) is a zero-credit course that focuses on the tools necessary to become a successful college student. Honors 1010 (fall) and Honors 1020 (spring) are led by Honors staff members and peer leaders. Through class activities and projects in and outside of the classroom, students develop an understanding of advisement and registration, academic requirements, and other topics of interest to first year students. The courses allow students to establish personal and academic goals and acquire time management, classroom-readiness, study skills, problem solving, and decision making skills. Students get to know the William Paterson University campus through readings, civic engagement, and activities with peer leaders.

### **Honors 1000 First Year Research Seminar**

Honors 1000 is a one credit course that all Honors students are enrolled in during their first semester at William Paterson. This seminar introduces students to college-level research and seminar-style learning. Students will participate in a step-by-step guided research experience with a faculty member. The focus of the project might be on answering a historical or current question, or exploring a theme or concept. This experience will prepare first year students for engaging in independent research in future semesters.

### **Honors Peer Leader Program**

Honors Peer Leaders are a group of upper division Honors students from various majors and Honors tracks who serve as a support network for first year Honors students and assist them with the successful transition from high school to college. Peer Leaders focus on building and fostering relationships with students and assisting them with all aspects of college life. Peer Leaders work closely with Honors faculty and staff to help educate students on topics such as time management, critical thinking, campus resources, and the civic engagement mission of the University.