HUMANITIES LADDER
Bringing humanities-based enrichment to underserved students

This unique program introduces college-level humanities to low-income and under-represented high school students through weekly sessions with Slippery Rock University professors.

PROGRAM GOALS

PROVIDE ENGAGING OPPORTUNITIES TO PRACTICE REFLECTIVE CRITICAL THINKING IN DISCIPLINES LIKE AESTHETICS, PHILOSOPHY, ANTHROPOLOGY, HISTORY, AND MORE.

DEMystIFY COLLEGE FOR STUDENTS WHO MIGHT FACE BARRIERS TO COLLEGE ATTENDANCE AND GRADUATION

PROVIDE SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY STUDENTS OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTEGRATED LEARNING AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

WHy HUMANITIES?

Humanities empower students to succeed by providing a framework for understanding the complexities of the world, while fostering empathy for others and a desire to become active and effective citizens.

"The Humanities Ladder program has given me more insight on how to be a successful and outgoing student."
-Isiah Aston, student

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RESULTS

Humanities ladder students have shown significantly increased educational goals, expressed deeper appreciation for the humanities, and greater confidence in civic participation.

27% increase in students who felt prepared to learn effectively on their own
50% increase in students motivated to apply for college admission
23% increase in students who felt prepared to work with others in an academic setting

ABOUT US

Slippery Rock University's Center for Public Humanities connects the university's humanities faculty and students to the broader community by offering educational programming that highlights the relevance of the humanities to public life.

SUPPORT

THE HUMANITIES LADDER IS SUPPORTED BY SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GENEROUS SUPPORT FROM FOUNDATIONS AND DONORS. RECENT GRANTS INCLUDE:

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“Seeing the students become excited about ideas and make meaningful connections to their own lives illustrates how amazing this program truly is.”

-Dr. Andrew Winters, Philosophy Department

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