

February 21, 2023

Denny Cao

Dear Denny:

I am writing regarding your admission to the David C. Frederick Honors College at the University of Pittsburgh. After a very careful review of your application and short answer question response, we have decided to place you on a wait list for the Frederick Honors Degree Program. Please know that this was an extremely challenging decision to make. We had an unprecedented number of outstanding applications, and we could initially accept a small fraction of qualified students. Thus, it was highly competitive even to earn a spot on the wait list. Please be reassured that the Frederick Honors wait list decision does not impact your general acceptance to the first-year class.

We do expect to accept a number of individuals from the wait list into the formal Frederick Honors Degree Program **after May 1 but no later than June 1**. However, there will not be a numerical wait list or more detailed information to share until that time.

Even if you are ultimately not admitted to the formal Frederick Honors Degree Program, there are still multiple pathways into the Frederick Honors College, and you may re-apply to Frederick Honors and the Frederick Honors Degree Program after completing your first year at Pitt; or, you can apply to our Frederick Honors Distinction Program after completing your first semester.

We hope to see you at Pitt soon!

Sincerely,

Nicola Foote, Ph.D.

Dean, David C. Frederick Honors College Bernice L. and Morton S. Lerner Endowed Chair

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