

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM

LEARN. LEAD. SERVE.

Essentials

- Honors Certificate 18 hours w/ Thesis Option; 12 Hours with AP credits, Associates or credits from other Honors Programs.
- Students apply to join Honors upon admission into SIUC: Holistic review based on high school GPA (3.3 or above) or top 10th percentile of the high school graduating class, personal circumstances and motivation, civic involvement, and leadership.
- No application deadline. SIUC students may apply in their freshmen or Sophomore year with a 3.3 GPA
- Must maintain a GPA of 3.3 to remain in the program

What about Upper-class entry?

- Upper-class entry (12 hours): for SIUC students in their junior year who will be able to fulfill Honors requirements. Designed to reach students who have demonstrated leadership and service commitment and to increase the diversity in the Honors Program.

Living Learning Communities

- UHP Living Learning Communities in Smith

We are a flexible program.

- Honors Credits are earned with:
 - UHON351 Seminars (Substitute for Core Curriculum)
 - Honors Contracts w/ Faculty in regular courses in their academic discipline
 - UHON399 Honors Independent Study
 - UHON499 Honors Thesis Option

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- Distinguished Lecture Series/Events
- Research opportunities with faculty
- Honors Assembly Student Leadership
- Community & Civic Engagement -20 hours required per year
- Scholarships & Awards

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Why Honors?

- Experience the intimacy of a small liberal arts & science college within a comprehensive research university
- Individualized mentoring empowers students to carve their own unique path through academic and co-curricular opportunities, on campus and beyond.
- Research experiences with faculty, many times providing the foundation for a thesis or special project.
- Honors seminar classes – Especially designed by faculty, experimental in concept and design; bridge disciplines. Small class size, fulfill core curriculum requirements.
- Support for scholarships, internships, and study abroad

What can Academic Advisors do?

- Direct qualified students with a 3.3 or higher to the University Honors Program, Morris Library in room 180
- Encourage students with a minimum of 30 hours remaining to inquire, if interested
- Look for “A Taste of Honors” for interested freshman/sophomores
- Encourage UHP students to select UHON 351 courses for Core Curriculum Requirements and direct Honors Students to our UHP Reservation Night Events
- Be aware of the Banner Restriction for enrollment in UHON 351. This course override is only done by the UHP office.
- Continue to adhere to the Early Registration benefit extended to UHP students.
- Contact us with any questions 453-2824 honors@siu.edu
- Sign-up for the “411” [weekly newsletter](#) by emailing honors@siu.edu
(This includes UHP News, Events & Open “A Taste of Honors” classes.)

Why Honors UHON 351 Seminar Courses are so interesting...

- Faculty are excited to experiment with content and form, to tackle fundamental questions with a small group of engaged students from multiple disciplines
- Courses are inventive, bridging together approaches, methods, and disciplines to generate new knowledge and ways of doing.
- Students and faculty step out of comfort zones in the security and freedom of a close-knit academic community.

A Taste of Honors: UHP Courses Open to Non-Honors Students to Try

- “A Taste of Honors” is for high achieving non-Honors students to enroll in some of our courses, maximum of four non-Honors students per course