UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM

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ESSENTIALS as of Fall 2020

- Honors Certificate 18 hours w/ Thesis Option
- Holistic assessment of student preparation: GPA, ACT/SAT, motivation, service, involvement, innovation, and leadership
- Overall SIU GPA 3.3 or higher
- AP/IB articulation (6 toward UHP Certificate) or Honors courses taken at another institution of higher education
- Students with Associates Degree (12 hours)
- UHP Living Learning Communities in Abbott and Smith (strongly encouraged)
- UHON Credit and/or Honors Recognized Course Credit
  
  UHON 351 Seminars (Substitute for Core Curriculum)
  Honors Contracts w/ Faculty in non-Honors Courses
  UHON 399 Honors Independent Study
  UHON 388 or 351 Honors International Experience
  UHON 499 Honors Thesis Option

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

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.
- Student involvement in shaping the curriculum. Each semester a student generated course

What else can you expect from the UHP?

- Support for scholarships, internships, and study abroad
- Major Scholarship preparation & advisement (UHON111)
- Monitoring/tracking of student matriculation to Honors Certificate

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What can Academic Advisors do?

- Direct qualified students with a 3.3 or higher to the University Honors Program, on the 1st floor of Morris Library in room 110
- Encourage students with a minimum of 30 hours remaining inquire if interested
- Look for “A Taste of Honors” for interested freshman/sophomores (Below).
- 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 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
- For Degree Works support email myeomans1@siu.edu and degreeworks@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.)

What is NEW…….

- For the 2020 Fall semester some University Honors Seminars have been organized around a themed cluster From Cradle to Cradle
- This theme cluster also features a student-generated course titled Sustainability and the Collective Imagination: The end or beginning of a new way of life featuring SIU faculty from multiple disciplines tackling the concept and practice of sustainability.
- Upcoming this Fall 2020, UHON111 The Honors Colloquium helps prepare students for major scholarships applications, including Goldwater, Boren, Fulbright, Marshall, graduate school and more…

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.
- Inspired by the legacy of Buckminster Fuller, we believe in an education that makes the world work for 100% of humanity. Sustainability, both of the human and our environment, is a thread that brings together our curriculum, civic engagement, and distinguished speaker series.

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

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Fall 2020 courses to be included: Arts of the Anthropocene, Intercollegiate Athletics, The Nature of Sound, and Tales of Two Empires