Honors Program Committee Agenda
Tuesday, February 16th from 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Honors Program Lounge, UI Commons 315A

UHP Committee Members
- Sanjay Sisodiya, Business, Honors Program Committee Chair
- Nishiki Sugawara-Beda, Art and Design
- Pamela Bathurst, Music
- Ashley Kerr, Modern Languages and Cultures
- John Foltz, Agricultural and Life Sciences
- Brian He, Biological and Agricultural Engineering
- David Pfeiffer, Biological Sciences
- Krista Stanley, President, Honors Leadership Council (one vote)
- Alton Campbell, UHP Director (w/o vote)
- Chris Price, UHP Management Assistant (w/o vote; honors@uidaho.edu)

Agenda
1. Welcome - Sanjay Sisodiya (Chair)

2. Announcement: Chris Price, Honors Program Management Assistant, has taken a new position in the College of Law beginning on Feb. 22. A thank you reception is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 18 from 3:00-4:30 in Honors Program office. Kudos for Chris’ help and support over the last 5 years!

3. Honors Leadership Council (HLC) updates – Krista Stanley (HLC President) (3-5 min)

4. Honors Program updates (5-10 min)
   - Applications and admitted students for fall 2016
   - Draft list of honors courses for fall 2016 (attachment)
   - Fireside Chats for spring:
     - Thursday, Jan. 21: “Who is the “I” in “I am happy!”?” Jay Feldman, Philosophy Department, with 32 in attendance
     - Tuesday, Feb. 9: “A Conversation About Islam and Cultural Traditions with the UI Muslim Student Association” with 14 in attendance
     - Tuesday, Feb. 23: “Economic Issues of the 2016 Presidential Election,” Stephanie Ramirez, College of Business
   - Thursday, April 14: Sharon Stoll, College of Education, title forthcoming
   - Ice Skating Night: Friday, Jan. 22 with about 150 attendees
   - Open Mic night, Thursday, Jan. 28 in Haddock Auditorium in Music Building with 70+ attendees.
   - Honors “Movie and a Prof Night,” Friday, Jan. 19, 7:00, Life Science 277. Irina Kappler Crookston (Department Chair Modern Languages and Cultures). Movie: Qu’est-ce qu’on a fait au Bon Dieu (English title: Bad Weddings)

5. Honors Program assessment plan for 2016 (10 min)
   - Review honors course evaluations
   - Find Honors data that can be obtained from current UI surveys such as CIRP, NSSE, and Senior Exit Survey as compiled by UI Research and Assessment Office
   - Conduct honors student focus groups (HLC and Honors Ambassadors)
• Conduct honors faculty focus group
• Discuss finding and make recommendations at April meeting

6. Update on Distinguished Scholarship Program (Holly LaHann, 10-15 min)
• Overview of new, distinguished scholarship program, recent recipients, workshops and presentations, and new web site
• Discussion/brainstorm: How can we better communicate scholarship opportunities and information to students, faculty and departments?

7. With more and more honors students entering the UI having completed 20-60 credits of AP and dual enrollment courses from high school that meet many of the UI general education requirements, we need to review our honors curriculum and consider alternative approaches.
• Discuss the new honors curriculum used at Univ. of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and presented at the NCHC annual conference in November.
  o [http://www.las.illinois.edu/students/honors/james/credit-experiences/](http://www.las.illinois.edu/students/honors/james/credit-experiences/)
  o [http://www.las.illinois.edu/students/honors/james/requirements/newrequirementtable9.16_15.pdf](http://www.las.illinois.edu/students/honors/james/requirements/newrequirementtable9.16_15.pdf)
• Perhaps form a faculty/student subcommittee to review and to consider developing a new honors curriculum? (10-15 min)

8. Final comments (Sanjay-2 min)
• Spring semester meeting dates
  • Tuesday, March 22\textsuperscript{nd} from 3:00 – 4:00 pm
  • Tuesday, April 19\textsuperscript{th} from 3:00 – 4:00 pm