

**University Honors Program
Proposed Catalog Changes
Effective Summer 2020**

1. Make the following changes to the **University Honors Program**:

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Participation Requirements

A member in good standing of the University Honors Program must be registered at the UI, maintain a 3.3 cumulative GPA, and complete a minimum of six graded honors credits by the end of the second semester; thereafter, students must complete, on average, one honors course every second semester. Students in the program who have averaged at least one graded honors course each semester and have a cumulative institutional GPA of 3.3 (credits earned at the UI) are allowed to register with the first group of seniors.

Students may use Honors sections of UI General Core Studies (GCS) courses to count toward satisfying university core requirements in general education. Depending on which courses students select, as many as 26 honors credits satisfy university core requirements in the humanities, social sciences, and natural and applied sciences. At present, honors seminars do not carry designated GCS Humanities or Social Science credits.

Honors Program Award of Completion

Students must complete 14 total honors credits and earn a UI cumulative GPA of 3.3 or above.

Honors Core Award Requirements

Students must complete 19 total honors credits. Up to three approved academic or experiential “points” may be substituted for honors credits. Up to nine Honors Course Contract credits, including Honors Research, may be applied toward the Core Award. Students must earn a 3.0 GPA or above in honors coursework and earn a UI cumulative GPA of 3.3 or above.

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Rationale: This will add the Honors Program Award of Completion to student’s transcripts