

HONORS COLLEGE

REQUIREMENTS

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Good Standing
- Minimum 3.50 FGCU GPA
- Honors College Coursework
- Honors Experiences
- First Year Sequence (FTICs Only)

HONORS CURRICULUM OPTIONS

Choose 1 of the following...

Honors Scholars

24 credit hours of Honors coursework (9 credit hours must be upper-level major courses approved by Honors advising)

Complete 2 Honors Experiences from the following: Liberal Arts, Research, Service, or Study Away/Abroad

Honors Foundations

12 credit hours of Honors coursework (any class, any level)

Complete 2 Honors Experiences from the following: Liberal Arts, Service, Study Away/Abroad, Research, Contracts

Honors in the Major

Complete 9 credit hours of Honors coursework in upper-level (3000-4999) major/discipline courses approved by Honors Advising

Complete 1 Honors Experience related to the major, from the following: Research, Service, or Study Away/Abroad

HOW TO COMPLETE EXPERIENCES



Liberal Arts

Complete 9 credits of Honors courses with the prefix of IDH, ISS and ISC



Honors Contracts

Complete approved Honors Courses, Honors Embedded Courses, or Honors Contracts in 3 different upper-level (3000-4999) courses with a grade of "B" or higher



Research

Complete an Honors Thesis or Honors Independent Research

Certification Alternatives:

- Complete an independent or directed study course *
- Complete an internship consisting of more than 70 hours *
- Work with a professor for more than 70 hours on an academic research project *
- Work with a professor on a project or paper (includes artistic performance/presentation) that was presented at a regional, state, national or international conference

* Cannot already be required by major



Service

Complete 4 credits from the following as Honors: IDS 3920, IDS 3300 and IDH 4638C

Certification Alternatives:

- Complete 160+ hours of service learning
- Take a leadership role in a project in the top 10% of FGCU students
- Take a leadership role in a service project recognized at Community Engagement Day



Study Away/Study Abroad

Complete one course with an Honors College Study Abroad Trip

Certification Alternatives:

- Go on an FGCU-sponsored trip outside of FL for 7+ days
- Go on a study abroad experience sponsored by another institution for 14+ days
- Go on a study abroad experience on your own for 28+ days
- Complete a language-learning experience beyond the intermediate level
- Be an international exchange student or live in the US for less than 2 years

HOW TO COMPLETE HONORS COURSEWORK

Honors Courses

WHAT ARE HONORS COURSES?

Classes specifically offered through the Honors College as Honors credit. These courses are taught by Honors faculty, are only open to Honors students, and are automatically noted as Honors on your transcript.

HOW CAN I FIND THEM?

Honors course offerings change every semester. Each semester's offerings can be found by choosing "Honors Program" on the "Department" drop-down menu on the FGCU course schedule search.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I COMPLETE ONE?

Students receive Honors credit for each Honors course successfully completed. Some Honors courses also count toward certain experiences, such as IDH/ISS/ISC courses for Liberal Arts or IDS 3920/IDS3300/IDH 4638C for Service.

Honors Contracts

WHAT ARE CONTRACTS?

Optional, independent projects conducted in upper-level (3000-4999) courses to earn Honors course credit. The contract is an agreement between the professor and the student that details how the student can get an Honors-level educational experience from the course.

HOW DO I COMPLETE ONE?

Contract instructions and proposal forms can be found on the Honors College website and the Honors College Canvas page. Proposals must be completed, submitted, and approved by the posted deadline each semester.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I COMPLETE ONE?

Upon successful completion, students receive "Honors Course" designation on their transcript for the course and Honors credit equal to the course.

Honors Embedded Courses

WHAT ARE HONORS EMBEDDED COURSES?

Classes available to all students that have an optional Honors contract built in. Usually offered as upper-level major courses with a separate Honors syllabus, students can opt in to receive Honors credit by completing an extra component for an Honors-level educational experience.

HOW CAN I FIND THEM?

Honors-embedded course offerings change every semester. Each semester's offerings will be emailed out to every Honors student's EagleMail address before priority-registration or as they become available.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I COMPLETE ONE?

Students receive Honors credit for each Honors embedded course successfully completed. Exploratory Advising will designate Honors embedded courses on your transcript. Processing may take up to several weeks.

WORKING WITH ADVISING

Exploratory Advising

Assists first year students with courses and Honors requirements.

Once a student has "transitioned" to college advising, assists with Honors requirements only.

Major Advisor

Assists with schedule planning related to the major you choose. Your major advisor is your primary resource for course selection with the exception of honors specific courses.



Body Text

Use the Exploratory Advising online scheduling tool: bit.ly/UGSAdvising or stop by Library West 201!

- OR -

Contact your Major Advisor or College Advising Office directly.

BONUS!

Honors students are granted Priority Registration to help ensure you can enroll in the classes you need each semester!

Be sure to check and resolve your holds... Priority registration does not override them!

Contact Exploratory Advising:



We're Here to Help!

Contact the Honors Office:

