



## Honors College Advisement Information

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### Honors Diploma Requirements

**24 semester hours of Honors course credit**, including the Honors thesis, are required to receive the Honors Diploma.

- An overall 3.25 GPA at graduation (starting Spring 2014) See below for NEW Honors retention standards.
- Required courses
  - EH 105: Honors English Seminar - 3 semester hours
  - HON 100: Honors Lecture Series (formerly Honors Forum) or HON 120: Honors Inquiry - 2 or 3 semester hours total
  - Honors Thesis course (3 semester hours in HON or your department—**a student CAN choose another course besides HON 499 and get Honors thesis credit**)
- Remaining hours may be from any of the following categories. 3 hours **MUST** be at the 300/400 level.
  - Honors sections of regular courses (e.g., PHL 101 - Honors Intro to Philosophy)
  - Specially designed courses just for Honors
  - Honors lab sections associated with a regular lecture (e.g., PH 114-20 along with PH 111) – students receive Honors credit for BOTH lab and lecture.
  - Foreign Language – Students may receive up to 3 hours of Honors credit for a 200 level or above foreign language course. The student must receive a B or better to be awarded Honors credit.
  - Honors contract in any 300+ course (arranged with instructor)

### Honors Certificate of Completion of Upper Level Requirements

Students who want to participate in the Honors College but who may not be able to complete the entire 24-hour honors credit hour requirement have the choice to pursue the Honors Certificate of Completion of Upper-Level Requirements. Please talk to the Honors Office first; you may still be able to complete the full Honors Diploma. Requirements for the Certificate are as follows:

- **12 semester hours of Honors courses**
  - 6 hours from any 300 or 400 level course (or Honors contract)
  - Must include an approved Honors Research/Creative Project
  - An additional 3 hours of Honors coursework

**IMPORTANT** – Anyone who registers for an Honors course **MUST** have the Honors score entered in SOATEST. It should give them a test score error when they try to register. If they don't have this score, this means they are not a member of the Honors College and **must get permission** from the Honors Office before enrolling in the class.

-The **Honors designation** can be found under Student Cohorts and Student Attributes.

- Honors Student Cohorts and Student attributes can be found under SGASADD in Native Banner.
- Cohort code will have term, semester and HPP (201109HPP for Fall 2011 cohorts)
- Attribute indicates if they are pursuing the Honors Diploma (HDIP) or Honors Certificate (HCER)

-Please check our website ([honors.uah.edu](http://honors.uah.edu)) regularly for new Honors courses and updated information!

**Honors Advisement worksheets** have been updated. You can access these forms at <http://www.uah.edu/honors/curr/honors-advisement>

### **NEW Honors Retention Standards**

In order to remain an Honors College student in good standing, you must maintain a 3.25 overall GPA, or have a GPA of at least 3.50 in your Honors courses taken here at UAH. If you rely on the Honors GPA for compliance, you must have completed at least 7 hours of Honors hours by the end of your sophomore year, or have completed at least 12 hours of Honors credit thereafter. (If you are pursuing the Honors Certificate, the credit hour requirements may be adjusted, but the GPA requirement still holds.) You must have an overall 3.25 to graduate in the Honors College starting Spring 2014. Any exceptions must be approved in writing by the Director.

At the end of Spring Semester, all Honors student records will be evaluated for compliance with the above standards. Students who do not meet the standards will be placed on a probationary status in the Honors College. This status will last until the end of the Fall Semester. If a student still does not meet the standards at that time, then we will change your standing to "inactive" and you will lose all privileges associated with membership in the Honors College. In order to be re-instated, you must meet with the Director and re-apply.

Students whose standing may be in jeopardy are encouraged to meet with the Honors Office to develop a plan that will ensure their continued good standing.