University of Iowa Honors Program

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Courses

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HONR:1100 Honors Primetime 1 s.h.
Preparation for honors opportunities, especially activities and courses; teamwork on projects that develop skills of invention and communication; presentation of products and performances; connect honors students, honors teachers, and staff members.

HONR:1300 Honors First-Year Seminar 1-2 s.h.
Small discussion class taught by a faculty member; topics chosen by instructor; may include outside activities (e.g., films, lectures, performances, readings, visits to research facilities, field trips). Requirements: first- or second-semester standing.

HONR:1310 Honors Research First-Year Seminar 1 s.h.
Small discussion class taught by a faculty member; topics chosen by instructor; may include outside activities (e.g., films, lectures, performances, readings, visits to research facilities); research focus allows students to actively discover new information with guidance from instructor, pursue research in small groups, learn the "how to" of a field, and share their findings; no prior research knowledge or experience required.

HONR:1350 Honors Seminar for Presidential Scholars 1 s.h.
Through self-discovery, students learn to know themselves and one another better while participating in selected events and structured experiences (e.g., readings, in-class discussion, small-group work, guest presentations, event attendance); students take time to reflect on interests, experiences, and knowledge, and have an opportunity to explore and integrate skills and resources in a way that helps develop the personal and academic self while also considering knowledge and experience of other individuals and groups; students are provided with tools to seek out academics and activities related to their interests and pursuits to better connect with development resources. Prerequisites: Presidential Scholarship award received when admitted to the University of Iowa.

HONR:1360 Honors Seminar for Presidential Scholars II 1 s.h.
Through self-discovery, students learn to know themselves and one another better while participating in selected events and structured experiences (e.g., readings, in-class discussion, small-group work, guest presentations, event attendance); students take time to reflect on interests, experiences, and knowledge, and have an opportunity to explore and integrate skills and resources in a way that helps develop the personal and academic self while also considering knowledge and experience of other individuals and groups; students are provided with tools to seek out academics and activities related to their interests and pursuits to better connect with development resources. Prerequisites: HONR:1350.

HONR:1610 Honors Seminar in Historical Perspectives 3 s.h.
Small-class learning with a faculty member to explore and explain historical developments. GE: Historical Perspectives.

HONR:1670 Values and Culture 3 s.h.
Asking fundamental questions about human experience and its meaning while becoming more aware of what, exactly, defines culture and values; students have a chance to consider their own values and beliefs, and the importance to their lifelong goals. GE: Values and Culture.

HONR:1680 Honors Seminar in Diversity and Inclusion 3 s.h.
Small-class learning with a faculty member to broaden student perspectives on social and cultural differences and introduce concepts in the structural bases of inequality and the benefits of diversity. Requirements: member of the University of Iowa Honors Program.

HONR:1850 Honors Seminar in Communication and Literacy 3 s.h.
Small-class learning with a faculty member; focus on writing, speaking, and critical reading skills or analysis of fiction, poetry, drama, essays.

HONR:2100 Honors Colloquium 1 s.h.
Attendance at talks, performances, and other events across campus.

HONR:2600 Honors Special Topics 1-3 s.h.
Small-class learning with a faculty member on special topics.

HONR:2700 Seminar for University of Iowa Honors Program Fellows 1 s.h.
Scholar development that challenges students to develop self-knowledge that enriches their intellectual life, increases their academic engagement, and deepen their sense of community. Requirements: second-year UI Honors Program fellowship recipient.

HONR:2900 Honors Publications: From Pitch to Print 1-2 s.h.
Students develop and hone writing skills as they create content for UI Honors Program publications from start to finish—envisioning themes, interviewing, writing, securing photos and captions, workshop, and editing pieces; topics related to student body, professional staff, alumni, and current events relevant to honors program; completion of up to three major projects published in Honors Newsletter, Alumni Connection, honors program blog, or other social media; discussion posts and workshops.

HONR:2990 Experiential Learning Orientation 2 s.h.
Experiential learning requirements for the UI Honors Program.
HONR:2991 Honors Students and Wellness 2 s.h.
How high ability and wellness interact with one another; focus on mental health and touching on various areas—impostor syndrome, existential depression, and intersectionality of giftedness, mental health, gender, and race; holistic wellness (e.g., physical, nutritional, emotional, social, spiritual, intellectual, financial, environmental) and what strengths and challenges high-ability individuals may encounter beyond their college careers.

HONR:3050 Honors Studies arr.
Independent studies arranged with faculty members who certify satisfactory completion of study plans and performance for topics not covered by other UI courses.

HONR:3100 Honors Teaching Practicum 0-4 s.h.
Teaching internship in first- and second-year courses; may include providing tutorial assistance, conducting review sessions, aiding course organization.

HONR:3150 Honors Service Learning arr.
Service learning projects arranged with faculty members who certify satisfactory completion of study plans and service.

HONR:3160 Honors Internship 0-3 s.h.
Independent service internship arranged with faculty members, who certify satisfactory performance and completion of project.

HONR:3170 Honors Outreach Ambassadors 1-2 s.h.
Experience sharing knowledge and experiences of the honors program with other students in meetings during office hours, online chats, other venues; outreach ambassadors; answer questions, provide information, help students find honors opportunities in and out of class.

HONR:3210 Honors Policy Research Practicum 1 s.h.
Theory and practice of public policy research; development of policy-research skills; production of policy-research papers. Requirements: sophomore or junior standing.

HONR:3220 Honors Writing Fellows: Writing Theory and Practice 3 s.h.
Preparation of honors students selected as writing fellows to serve as peer tutors in writing-intensive courses; theories of writing, evaluation of drafts, peer tutoring with students.

HONR:3994 Honors Research Practicum 1-4 s.h.
Individual research performed in conjunction with a faculty member’s research.

HONR:4990 Honors Thesis or Project 1-3 s.h.
Culminating project of research or artistic creation; preparation and completion of the final product associated with graduation with honors in the student's major. Requirements: member of the University of Iowa Honors Program and junior or senior standing.