



# HONORS COLLEGE HANDBOOK

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## **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

The Honors College at Auburn provides an enhanced education and an intellectual community to a select cohort of the University's highest-achieving undergraduates. The College offers a flexible curriculum that integrates with Auburn's degree plans by enhancing standard courses with more dynamic, multidisciplinary, and metacognitive approaches. Students earn a major in a discipline-based college while also pursuing one of four pathways to graduate with distinction in Honors. The College also curates co-curricular opportunities for its students to find intellectual enrichment, successful careers that match one's interests and personality, life-long friendships, and an awareness of purpose that transcends the individual self.

Honors students at Auburn enjoy membership in a smaller community of learning -- a home -- while having access to the immense resources of a major research university. Benefits of membership in the College include exclusive Honors courses, options for individualized curricular plans, a dedicated academic advising team, smaller classes, access to graduate courses, priority registration, and experiential learning opportunities ranging from research projects and pre-professional internships to community-centered learning ventures and distinctive study-and-travel courses. Honors students also merit right of entry to Honors-only study areas, lounges, events, and they are eligible to apply for a place in a first-year Honors living community.

## **THE HONORS COLLEGE IS DEDICATED TO:**

### **Curiosity**

Fostering our students' intellectual curiosity & courage through engagement with new ideas, disciplines, and settings.

### **Opportunity**

Providing extraordinary opportunities for our students' educational and professional growth.

### **Purpose**

Nurturing our students' passion to improve the world while pursuing fulfilling lives of leadership in their communities and professions.

### **Community**

Creating a community of inquiry and shared interests for our students within a highly resourced, top-tier research university.

### **Multidisciplinary Collaboration**

Developing disciplinary awareness & multidisciplinary collaboration among our students and across the university.



## **GREETINGS FROM THE HONORS COLLEGE**

Welcome to the Honors College!

You are now taking your first steps on a path of personal growth, learning, and discovery that will shape the rest of your life. Your decision to join the Honors College represents a bold first step down that path, as you will now be walking alongside the highest-achieving and most highly engaged students on campus, embracing our mission of challenging minds to change the world.

Please consider the pages to follow as a road map to help you succeed and flourish in the Honors College over the next four years. It will serve as a guide to the rich array of resources and opportunities available to you as an Auburn University Honors College student. It also describes the values that inform our work together as an academic community.

Auburn works best for people who ask questions and enlist help from others. Turn to your advisors, professors, and to the Honors College team often. Listen to what your fellow students have to say, especially those who are upperclassmen—like our Honors College Peer Academic Coaches—who have been successful in their own academic pursuits.

The entire Honors College staff is here to help you make the most of your Auburn experience, so never hesitate to email, call, or drop by Cater Hall. We are so looking forward to sharing in your journey.

War Eagle,

- Honors College Staff



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## HONORS RESPONSIBILITIES

### Responsibilities of Honors College Advisors

The Honors College advisors are committed to the education of the holistic student through effective advising, empowerment of the student body, and the establishment of a professional environment.

Students in the Honors College are assigned an Honors advisor when they enter the program. The goal of the academic advisors is to successfully guide students through the Honors College curriculum. Their services are designed to work with the efforts of the college advisors, not in place of them.

The Honors College has the responsibility to assist students with:

- Honors graduation requirements
- Scheduling
- Short and long-term educational goals
- Campus resources

### Responsibilities of Honors College Students

Honors College students are responsible for pursuing a successful collegiate experience while conducting themselves in a professional manner. Honors students are expected to seek advising each semester in both their respective college or school as well as the Honors College. The initiation and the preparation for advising sessions is the responsibility of the students.

Advisors are available on an appointment or walk-in basis. Students wishing to make an appointment can do so online through [Advise Assist](#) or can contact their advisor directly by phone or email.

If, at any time, an Honors student no longer wishes to be a member of the Honors College, the student should meet with an Honors advisor to complete a resignation form. The form must be completed on or **prior to the 5th day of class** for the student to receive a refund of the Honors College fee for that semester.

Students have the responsibility to remain familiar with:

- The Honors Handbook
- The Auburn University Bulletin
- Auburn academic policies
- The academic calendar



## ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

The Academic Integrity Policy outlines the violations, sanctions, rights, and responsibilities of a student accused of an academic integrity violation, as well as the procedures for filing charges. These guidelines apply to all students taking classes at Auburn University. Some of the violations not tolerated by Auburn University include:

- Plagiarism
- Unauthorized Re-use of Student Work
- Unauthorized Use of Materials or Resources
- Fraudulent Documents
- Inappropriate Assistance on Exams
- Selling, Giving, Lending, or otherwise furnishing to any other person any material which can be shown to contain the questions or answers to any examination or assignment
- Violation of Course Integrity Rules (this can be anything mentioned in the Syllabus that is a violation in the class)

The Honors College will be notified of any member of the Honors College who either is found to have committed an act of academic dishonesty by the University's Academic Honesty Committee, or who did not contest accusations of academic dishonesty made by an academic college (and who waived in writing a review or hearing within the academic college). Students who receive the following sanctions are required to meet with the Director of the Honors College within 30 class days of notification and may be placed on warning or be subject to dismissal.

- Academic Integrity Course
- Resubmission of Assignment
- Reduced Grade on Assignment
- Zero Grade on Assignment
- Reduced Grade in Course

Students who receive more than one sanction are subject to immediate dismissal from the Honors College. This dismissal will result in the loss of any Honors award, scholarship, or distinction on the diploma and/or transcript

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## HONORS COLLEGE FEE

The Honors College implemented a semester fee beginning in the Fall 2011. This fee is charged to current Honors College students in order to support Honors instruction within smaller class sizes. These benefits help promote the exceptional Honors education received at Auburn University.

The Honors College fee is charged in conjunction with tuition at the beginning of fall and spring semester. Requests for fee waivers will be considered for Pell Grant recipients and students with proof of documented need.

- First-Year Honors student - \$250/semester
- Second-Year Honors student - \$250/semester
- Third-Year Honors student - \$250/semester
- Fourth-Year Honors student - \$250/semester

If, at any time, an Honors student no longer wishes to be a member of the Honors College, the student should meet with an Honors advisor to complete a resignation form. The form must be completed **on or prior to the 5th day of class** for the student to receive a refund of the Honors College fee for that semester.

If there is a problem with a student's bill regarding the Honors College fee, please contact the office at (334) 844-5860.





## CURRICULUM

The Honors curriculum provides Honors College students the opportunity for challenging scholarly courses across the university and within their disciplines, culminating in a sustained, in-depth experience in their major fields of study.

The four Honors College graduation distinctions, *University Honors Scholar*, *University Honors Research Scholar*, *Honors Scholar*, and *Honors Research Scholar* are conferred at the time of graduation and printed on students' diplomas and transcripts.

### University Honors Scholar

To earn the designation *University Honors Scholar*, students are required to complete a minimum of 30 hours of Honors College courses, including a minimum of:

- 3 hours of Honors Participation Courses, AND
- 6 hours of coursework identified as Signature Impact Experiences.

Students must also complete their disciplinary requirements and have a minimum 3.4 cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA at the time of graduation.

### University Honors Research Scholar

To earn the designation *University Honors Research Scholar*, students are required to complete a minimum of 30 hours of Honors College courses, including a minimum of:

- 3 hours of Honors Participation Courses; 1 hour of which must be "Honors Lyceum: Research at Auburn"
- 3 hours of Honors Research Methods
- 6 hours of Honors Seminars
- 6 hours of designated Honors Research Seminars
- 6 hours of coursework identified as Signature Impact Experiences

Students must also complete their disciplinary requirements and have a minimum 3.4 cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA at the time of graduation.

### Honors Scholar

To earn the designation *Honors Scholar*, students are required to complete a minimum of 24 hours of Honors College coursework, including a minimum of:

- 3 hours of Honors Participation Courses.

Students must also complete their disciplinary requirements and have a minimum 3.2 cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA at the time of graduation.

### Honors Research Scholar

To earn the designation *Honors Research Scholar*, students are required to complete a minimum of 24 hours of Honors College courses, including a minimum of:

- 3 hours of Honors Participation Courses; 1 hour of which must be "Honors Lyceum: Research at Auburn"
- 3 hours of Honors Research Methods

- 6 hours of Honors Seminars
- 6 hours of designated Honors Research Seminars

Students must also complete their disciplinary requirements and have a minimum 3.2 cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA at the time of graduation.

-OR-

*[For students joining the Honors College with 60+ hours of college credit]*

To earn the designation *Honors Scholar*, students entering the Honors College with 60+ hours of college credit are required to complete a minimum of 7 hours of Honors coursework, including:

- 3 hours of Honors Research/Honors Special Topics/Honors Apogee/Honors Thesis and 3 hours of Honors Thesis/Honors Apogee or 6 hours of graduate level courses in the major field of study at the 6000 or 7000 level AND
- 1 hour of an Honors Participation course.

Students must also complete their disciplinary requirements and have a minimum 3.2 cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA at the time of graduation.

## **HONORS COURSE OPTIONS**

The Honors College curriculum is designed to give students flexibility with their choice of Honors courses in order to fulfill their diverse goals, needs, and interests. The Honors College offers students coursework that falls into the following general areas:

### **Honors Academic Courses:**

#### **Honors University Core Courses**

Honors credits may be earned by completing Honors sections of Auburn University's Core courses.

\*Please note that Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, CLEP, ACT/SAT, and dual-enrollment credits, while accepted as Auburn credits, will not be accepted as Honors College credits.\*

#### **Honors Departmental Courses**

Students may choose to complete Honors versions of Departmental courses. Examples of Departmental courses include Honors Accounting and Honors Organic Chemistry. \*Please note that some courses have prerequisites.\*

#### **Honors Research Methods** (maximum 6 hours)

Honors Research Methods, HONR 2097, is a team-taught course that fills a need for our Honors students to receive a broad introduction to both STEM and Humanities research methodologies to prepare them for future research endeavors.

#### **Honors Study and Travel Course** (maximum 12 hours)

Honors Study and Travel, HONR 3087, is a course designed to inform students about a specific country abroad or a region within the United States. Students study the culture and history of the destination throughout the semester and then travel to that destination as the culminating experience for the course.

**Honors Seminars** (maximum 15 hours)

Honors Seminars, HONR 3007, are taught in small discussion groups similar to graduate courses. Students are not required to have a background in the topic, only possess an interest in the material. Seminar topics vary and are announced each semester.

**Honors Research Seminars** (maximum 9 hours)

Honors Research Seminars, HONR 3987, provides Honors students with a research experience under the close supervision of an Auburn faculty member. The course is designed to enable a faculty member to mentor a number of students who are working on collaborative research. Research Seminar course topics vary and are announced each semester.

**Honors Apogee Project** (maximum 6 hours)

Honors Apogee Project, HONR 4007, provides Honors students with advanced directed study, usually based in a student's undergraduate research, leading to the completion of an Honors Apogee Experience, the capstone of the Honors College.

**Honors Contract Courses**

Honors Contracts enable students to earn credit by incorporating an Honors component within a regularly offered class. Honors Contract forms are initiated by an Honors Academic Advisor upon the student's request. Completion of the Honors Contract form with faculty member and department head approval is required and must be submitted by the 15th day of class. Courses that may be contracted include:

- A core course that cannot be taken as Honors due to a scheduling conflict or lack of an Honors version.
- A course required to complete the student's College Curriculum Model.

**Honors Participation Courses:****Honors Freshman Exploration** (one-time enrollment as a first-year student)

The Freshman Exploration course introduces students to Auburn University and the Honors College. Each week, guest speakers present topics relevant to Honors students. Some of the topics discussed include Study Abroad, campus involvement, course registration, National Prestigious Scholarships, service learning, and more.

**Honors Lyceum** (maximum 4 hours)

Every semester the Honors College offers Honors Lyceum classes on varying topics. Always in high demand, the Honors Lyceum provides Honors students with an open forum for discussion of current events, international affairs, and controversial issues. Subject matter for the course varies from semester to semester, but has recently focused on such issues as: world hunger, the reform of undergraduate education in the United States, service learning, faculty research on the Auburn campus, and cultural learning experiences.

**Honors Book Club** (maximum 4 hours)

During the semester students typically read two to three books and actively participate in class discussions.

**Honors Forum** (maximum 6 hours)

Students enrolled in the Forum course select a minimum of ten campus lectures, films, and performances from a pre-approved list to attend. The events span a wide range of subjects and students submit a reflective essay after each event attended.

**Signature Impact Experiences:****Honors Research**

Students work with a departmental professor in their major or minor to complete a project of their choosing.

**Honors Thesis**

Students work with a departmental professor in their major or minor to complete a project of their choosing and produce a written document or oral presentation.

**Honors Special Topics**

Students work with a departmental professor in their major or minor to complete a project of their choosing.

**Honors Apogee**

Students work one-on-one with the course instructor to complete a project of their choosing.

**Honors Seminar**

Taught in small discussion groups similar to graduate courses. Students are not required to have a background in the topic, only possess an interest in the material. Seminar topics vary and are announced each semester.

**Honors Contract courses in the major field of study at the 4000-5000 level**

Students may contract courses in their major field of study by incorporating an Honors component within a regularly offered class.

**Graduate-level courses in the major field of study (maximum of 12 hours)**

Students who meet the required pre-requisites may take graduate-level courses within their field of study. A maximum of twelve of these hours may count towards both the student's undergraduate and graduate degrees at Auburn University.

## **Honors Business Minor**

Whether you're a business major looking to deepen your knowledge, or an Auburn University student majoring in a non-business program, our business minors can improve your job prospects, enhance your graduate school application, and expand your understanding of business.

The Honors Business minor is 15 hours consisting of five 3-hour courses: four required courses (12 hours) and one elective course (3 hours). Four of the five courses must be taken at the honors level to successfully complete the minor. The minor is limited to students in the Honors College.

## **Honors Public Health Minor**

The public health minor is offered to Auburn University undergraduate students through the College of Veterinary Medicine to prepare students for success in a variety of health-related fields. Public Health is the science of prevention of disease and health problems in populations through research, health policy, educational programs, provision of health services to communities and detection of and response to disease outbreaks.

The Honors Public Health Minor is 15 hours consisting of five 3-hour courses: four required courses (12 hours) and one elective course (3 hours). Four of the five courses must be taken at the honors level to successfully complete the minor. Three of the PAOH courses are honors level, so the chosen elective must be an honors elective or contracted for honors credit (arranged through Honors college) to make four total honors courses. The elective must be approved by the Advisor. The minor is limited to students in the Honors College.

## **Honors International Minor**

The College of Human Sciences offers The Joseph S. Bruno Auburn Abroad in Italy program where a student can now earn the Honors International Minor in one semester while studying abroad in Ariccia, Italy. Enhance your resume with international experience and skills and gain a profound understanding of the world around you and yourself.

The Honors International Minor is 16 hours consisting of two 2-hour courses and two 6-hour courses. 14 of the 16 hours are completed internationally and must be taken at the honors level to successfully complete the minor. The minor is limited to students in the Honors College.

Detailed information about each of our Honors minors [can be found in the Auburn Bulletin](#).

## **POLICIES**

A grade of “C” or better in Honors courses is required to earn Honors College credit.

In order to remain in good standing as a member of the Honors College, students must meet the following minimum criteria:

I. Students are required to maintain satisfactory progress in completing the requirements of the Honors curriculum. Satisfactory progress is defined by attaining the following minimums by the end of the specified academic year:

First year	7 Honors hours
Second year	14 Honors hours
Third year	21 Honors hours

II. First-year students must attain a minimum of a 3.0 cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA and second, third, and fourth-year students must maintain a minimum of 3.2 cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA. A student whose GPA falls below the minimum is give one semester to correct the deficiency or be suspended from the Honors College.

III. All first-year students in the Honors College must meet with an Honors Academic Advisor and submit a Plan of Study prior to registration for spring courses. Any changes to the Plan of Study should be done at a meeting with an Honors College Advisor. First-year students must meet with an Honors Academic Advisor in both fall and spring semesters.

IV. Second, third, and fourth-year students must meet with an Honors Academic Advisor at least once a year to ensure retention and understanding of the program and to confirm progress being made toward the completion of the Honors requirements.

V. Students who do not successfully maintain good standing (Honors course progression, GPA, meeting at least once a year with their Honors advisor, and/or submission of the Plan of Study) will be suspended from the Honors College. Students may be reinstated upon attaining the minimum GPA and/or providing the Honors College with an updated Plan of Study for Honors courses. It is the student’s responsibility to notify the college when good standing has been attained.

VI. Any scholarships awarded by the Honors College are contingent upon maintaining membership in good standing in the Honors College. Suspension from the Honors College will result in a loss of Honors scholarship funding.

VII. Students who are unenrolled from Auburn University for more than one full term (fall or spring semesters) should communicate with their Honors Advisor. Unenrolled students who have not made plans to return with their Honors Advisors will have their membership ended after three consecutive full terms (fall and spring semesters only, summer terms will not be counted). Students may be reinstated upon returning to Auburn University once they meet with their Honors Advisor and update their Honors Plan of Study. It is the student’s responsibility to notify the college when they are ready to reinstate their membership.



## Honors College Graduation Distinction

After completing the requirements of the Honors College curriculum, students graduate with a special designation that is noted on their diploma and transcript.

- To graduate as a *University Honors Scholar* or *University Honors Research Scholar*, students must complete all of the *University Honors Scholar* requirements, the requirements for their disciplines, and have a minimum cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA of 3.4.
- To graduate as an *Honors Scholar* or *Honors Research Scholar*, students must complete all of the *Honors Scholar* requirements, the requirements for their discipline, and have a minimum cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA of 3.2.

## SIGNATURE IMPACT EXPERIENCE

### Research/Thesis/Project Option

The thesis is a documented research monograph, typically 30-50 pages long. With the guidance of a major professor, the student plans and implements a program of thorough research, analysis, and writing.

Typically, students will secure a full-time, tenured (or tenure-track) faculty with professorial rank (assistant, associate, or full professor), or members of the graduate faculty to serve as major professor. Graduate students and part-time faculty members are ineligible to serve as major professors. Dual-degree seeking students may choose a major professor from both departments to co-advise the development and evaluation of the thesis. Students should make the thesis supervisor selection at least one year prior to their expected graduation date.

With the guidance of the major professor, the student will select a thesis topic. The thesis topic is then explored at more depth through an Honors Special Problems course, research course, or Honors Thesis course. The thesis is then developed in the subsequent Honors Thesis course, which is usually completed in the student's last year at Auburn. All work on the thesis is completed in this course.

After completing the research and analysis, the student is responsible for presenting a manuscript that meets the requirements of both the department and the Honors College. The major professor is responsible for advising the student on researching, analyzing, composing, and editing the manuscript. The major professor must sign the Approval Page of the thesis to guarantee that the document is original, accurate, and meets the requirements of both the department and the Honors College.

Final copies of the thesis must be on white bond paper of at least 16 pounds weight and at least 25 percent cotton/rag content. The paper must be 8 ½ x 11 inches. In terms of margins, the top, bottom, and right margins should be one inch. The left margin should be 1½ inches to allow for binding. On the first page of a chapter the top margin should be two inches. The text should be double spaced. In terms of numbering, prefatory pages are numbered in small Roman numerals centered one inch from the bottom. All other pages use Arabic numerals centered one inch from the bottom of the page. All theses must include a signed approval page, thesis title page, vita, thesis abstract, and style guide and software form. An acknowledgments page, table of contents, list of tables and list of figures are optional.



Three weeks before the last day of classes during the semester of graduation, students must provide a copy of the thesis to the Honors College office for a format check. Completed theses are due in the Honors College office on the last day of class of the graduation semester. At least two copies of the approved thesis must be turned in to the Honors College office for binding; both will be housed in the Ralph Brown Draughon Library. The student and thesis advisor may order additional copies. The student is responsible for the expense of copying and pays a fee to the Bursar's Office for the binding. The Honors College will mail the student's bound copies of the thesis to the student when they are delivered to campus. Please make sure the Honors College office has the correct address.

All theses must follow the guidelines set forth in the Honors College and the Graduate School. Theses must also follow the style manual considered standard for academic writing in the student's major discipline.

## **HONORS COLLEGE FORMS**

Forms for use by students may be found on the Honors College [website](#). These forms include:

### **Plan of Study for Honors Courses**

First-year students are required to complete the Plan of Study for Honors courses in the fall before their first advising meeting with an Honors Academic Advisor. [This form](#) must be completed prior to spring registration. Students should list the Honors courses that they plan to complete at Auburn University and update the form with the Honors College office whenever changes take place during the scheduling and registration process.

### **Plan of Study for Signature Impact Experience (University Honors Scholars & University Honors Research Scholars research/thesis/project option only)**

Students must submit an approved Plan of Study for the Honors Signature Impact Experience at least one year prior to graduation. When completing the [form](#), assistance is available from an Honors College academic advisor.

### **Honors College Graduation Check Form**

In addition to enrolling in the University Graduation course, students must complete an Honors College Graduation Check form to indicate the student's intent to graduate as a Honors Scholar, University Honors Scholar, Honors Research Scholar, or University Honors Research Scholar. This [form](#) allows Honors Academic Advisors to complete a graduation check for the Honors College distinctions two semesters prior to graduation.



# HONORS COLLEGE CURRICULUM CHECKLIST



## First-Year Students

- ☐ Students must take at least one, but no more than two, Honors Academic courses (3- or 4-hours) or contract courses the first semester. Students not enrolled in an Honors course will not retain Honors College membership.
- ☐ Complete a minimum of seven Honors hours during the academic year.
- ☐ Schedule an appointment and meet with your Honors Advisor prior to registration for spring semester.
- ☐ Submit an Honors College Plan of Study to your Honors Advisor prior to registration for spring semester.
- ☐ Maintain a cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA of at least 3.0.

## Second-Year Students

- ☐ Complete a minimum of seven Honors hours during the academic year, for a cumulative total of 14 hours. Honors College students not enrolled in an Honors course could lose Honors College membership, if an updated Plan of Study does not reflect the student's lack of Honors College enrollment.
- ☐ Schedule an advising appointment to update Plan of Study.
- ☐ Maintain a cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA of at least 3.2 to remain in good standing in the Honors College.

## Third-Year Students

- ☐ Complete a minimum of seven Honors hours during the academic year, for a total of 21 hours. Honors College students not enrolled in an Honors course could lose Honors College membership, if an updated Plan of Study does not reflect the student's lack of Honors course enrollment.
- ☐ Schedule an advising appointment to update Plan of Study.
- ☐ Submit an approved Signature Impact Experience Plan of Study form at least one year prior to graduation. (*University Honors Scholars & University Honors Research Scholars* research / thesis only)
- ☐ Submit Graduation Review Form during third-year advising session.
- ☐ Maintain a cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA of at least 3.2 to remain in good standing in the Honors College.

## Fourth-Year Students

- ☐ Complete the remaining Honors hours to earn either *University Honors Scholar*, *University Honors Research Scholars*, *Honors Scholar*, or *Honors Research Scholar* designation.
- ☐ Complete Honors Signature Impact Experience courses (*University Honors Scholar & University Honors Research Scholars* only, see page 10).
- ☐ Maintain a cumulative unadjusted Auburn GPA of at least 3.2 for Honors Scholar/Research Scholar, or at least a 3.4 for University Honors Scholar/Research Scholar.
- ☐ Graduate as a *University Honors Scholar*, *University Honors Research Scholars*, *Honors Scholar*, or *Honors Research Scholar*



## HONORS COLLEGE COURSES

### Honors Core Courses - English, Literature, Fine Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours
COMM 1007	Honors Public Speaking	3
COUN 2007	Honors Living and Communicating in a Diverse Society	3
ECON 2027	Honors Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECON 2037	Honors Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ENGL 1107	Honors Writing Seminar I	3
ENGL 1127	Honors Writing Seminar II	3
ENGL 2207	Honors World Literature Before 1600	3
ENGL 2217	Honors World Literature After 1600	3
ENVD 2047	Honors Design, Invention and Society	3
GEOG 1017	Honors Global Geography	3
GEOG 2017	Honors Human Geography	3
GSHS 2007	Global Studies Human Sciences	3
HIST 1017	Honors World History I	3
HIST 1027	Honors World History II	3
HIST 1217	Honors Technology and Civilization I	3
HIST 1227	Honors Technology and Civilization II	3
HUSC 2007	Hunger: Causes, Consequences, and Responses	3
INDD 1127	Honors Industrial Design in Modern Society	3
MUSI 2737	Honors Appreciation of Music	3
MUSI 2747	Honors Survey of Popular Music	3
PHIL 1017	Honors Introduction to Logic	3
PHIL 1027	Honors Ethics	3
PHIL 1037	Honors Ethics & the Health Sciences	3
POLI 1057	Honors Global Politics & Issues	3
POLI 1097	Honors American Government in a Multicultural World	3
PSYC 2017	Honors Introduction to Psychology	3
THEA 2017	Honors Introduction to the Theatre	3

### Honors Elective Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours
HONR 2097	Honors Research Methods	3
HONR 3007	Honors Seminar	3
HONR 3087	Honors Study & Travel	3
HONR 3987	Honors Research Seminar	3
HONR 4007	Honors Apogee Project	3

## Honors Core Courses - Sciences and Mathematics

Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours
BIOL 1027	Honors Biology	4
BIOL 1037	Honors Organismal Biology	4
CHEM 1117	Honors General Chemistry I	3
CHEM 1118	Honors General Chemistry I Lab	1
CHEM 1127	Honors General Chemistry II	3
CHEM 1128	Honors General Chemistry II Lab	1
MATH 1617	Honors Calculus I	4
SCMH 1017	Honors Concepts of Science	4
GEOL 1107	Honors Dynamic Earth	4
GEOL 1108	Honors Dynamic Earth Lab	0
GEOL 1117	Honors Earth and Life Through Time	4
GEOL 1118	Honors Earth and Life Through Time Lab	0
PHYS 1607	Honors Physics I	4
PHYS 1617	Honors Physics II	4

## Honors Interdisciplinary Symposia

Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours
HONR 1007	Honors Technology and Culture I	3
HONR 1017	Honors Technology and Culture II	3
HONR 1027	Honors Sustainability & Modern World I	3
HONR 1037	Honors Sustainability & Modern World II	3

## Honors Departmental Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours
ACCT 2117	Honors Principles of Financial Accounting	3
ACCT 2817	Honors Fundamentals of Accounting	3
AGEC 4047	Honors Agribusiness Finance	3
BUSI 3257	Honors International Business	3
CADS 2007	Honors Global Consumer Culture	3
CADS 3707	Gender, Wealth, & Philanthropy	3
CHEM 2077	Honors Organic Chemistry I	3
CHEM 2078	Honors Organic Chemistry I Lab	1
CHEM 2087	Honors Organic Chemistry II	3
CHEM 2088	Honors Organic Chemistry II Lab	1
CHEN 1007	Design of Coffee	3
COMM 2407	Honors Introduction to Workplace Communication	3
ENGR 2077	Honors Mechanics of Materials	3
ENVD 2007	Environmental Design Concepts and Practices I	3
ENVD 4017	Elements of Design Thinking and Entrepreneurship	3

<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
ENVD 4977	Special Topics in Environmental Design	3
ENVD 5037	Studies in Design Thinking and Entrepreneurship	3
FLGR 3017	Beginning German Composition and Conversation	3
FLGR 3027	Intermediate German Composition and Conversation	3
FLGR 3037	Advanced German Composition and Conversation	3
FLSP 1027	Elementary Spanish II	3
FLSP 2017	Honors Intermediate Spanish I	4
FLSP 2027	Honors Intermediate Spanish II	4
FLSP 3097	Spanish for Health Professionals	3
GSHS 2007	Global Studies Human Sciences	3
HUSC 2007	Hunger: Causes, Consequences, and Responses	3
INSY 3017	Honors Programming and Database Applications for ISE	3
INSY 3607	Engineering Economy	3
INTL 3937	Honors Directed International Study	3-6
INTL 4407	Honors International Internship	0-12
KINE 2257	Honors Motor Development Across the Lifespan	2
KINE 3627	Honors Biomedical Analysis of Human Movement	3
KINE 3657	Honors Motor Learning and Performance	3
KINE 3687	Honors Physiology of Exercise	3
KINE 4627	Honors Exercise and Sport Psychology	3
KINE 4767	Honors Introduction to Exercise Science Research	3
KINE 4787	Honors Exercise Science Research	3
NTRI 2007	Honors Nutrition and Health	3
MATH 1627	Honors Calculus II	4
MATH 2637	Honors Calculus III	4
MKTG 5517	Honors Digital Marketing	3
PAOH 2107	Honors Intro to Public Health	3
PAOH 3017	Honors Intro to Epidemiology	3
PAOH 4837	Honors Comparative Health Systems	3
PSYC 2147	Honors Research Methods in Psychology	3
SCMH 1897	Honors Pre-Health Professions Orientation	1
UNIV 1157	Honors Special Topics with Learning Strategies	2
WILD 3287	Wildlife Ecology, Conservation, and Management	3

### **Honors Participation Courses**

<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
HONR 1077	Honors Freshmen Exploration	1
HONR 1087	Honors Lyceum	1
HONR 2077	Honors Forum	1
HONR 2087	Honors Book Club	1



## **ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

### **National Prestigious Scholarships**

There are several prestigious scholarships that can be attained by outstanding students through hard work and dedication. These scholarships provide for remarkable opportunities that can have a major impact on students' future careers. These scholarships include Rhodes, Marshall, Mitchell, Gates-Cambridge, National Science Foundation, Fulbright, Boren, Udall, etc.

More information is available about these [scholarships](#) on the Honors College website. The Honors College works with students to prepare them for these scholarships throughout the year.

### **Undergraduate Research**

Undergraduate research at Auburn University promotes opportunities for undergraduates to engage in faculty-mentored research and creative scholarship. As future leaders and community-involved citizens, students must be able to apply creative solutions to complicated social issues, understand multifaceted physical processes, and communicate their ideas effectively. Auburn University and the Honors College believe that undergraduate research and scholarly activity are ways to develop these important skills and enrich the Auburn educational experience.

How to Get Involved:

- Read faculty websites in the desired academic discipline.
- Ask (in person or via e-mail) professor if they need help with their research.
- Meet with professors to determine and agree upon responsibilities and expectations.
- Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research [online](#) for more information.

### **Undergraduate Research Fellowships**

There are multiple sources of research fellowship funding for undergraduate research at Auburn University including competitive [Undergraduate Research Fellowships](#) and college and departmental research programs. The Honors College also offers a select number of competitive research grants each year. For additional information, please contact the Honors College Coordinator of Scholarships and Research.

### **Undergraduate Research and Creative Scholarship Forum at Auburn University Research Week**

This program offers undergraduates the opportunity to present research in a formal setting and presents awards to the best presenters. The forum is open to all Auburn University undergraduate students.

### **Honors College Research Colloquium**

This program is offered to students in the Honors College who are conducting undergraduate research. Students have the opportunity to present their research to other Honors students,

faculty, and staff as practice for larger presentations such as the Undergraduate Research and Creative Scholarship Forum at Research Week and scholarly conferences. For additional information, [contact Dr. Whitney Comer](#).

### **Accelerated Bachelor's/Master's Degree Program**

The Accelerated Bachelor's/Master's Degree program (ABM) program offers top Auburn students the opportunity to earn both the bachelor's and the master's degrees in less time and at less cost than usual. Students must have a 3.4 GPA or higher. See the [ABM website](#) for more information and an application.

### **Honors Internships and Practicums**

These opportunities allow students to apply their knowledge and skills to hands-on experiences in their field of study. Honors students should work with their Honors advisors to identify opportunities that best match their career goals. The Auburn University Career Center is another key source for information about internship opportunities, especially through the Handshake platform.



## HONORS COLLEGE PROGRAMS & ORGANIZATIONS

### Honors Congress

Honors Congress is the sole student-led organization of the Honors College and is dedicated to building a strong, vibrant community within the Honors student body. Their mission is to foster open communication with the Honors College and to create opportunities for social connection, service, and intellectual growth. Just to name a few of our key events, programs, and perks: Spring Formal, block seating for all home football games, an art gallery competition in Cater Hall, volunteer opportunities at Storybook Farm, and much more!

Membership is open to all Honors students at any time, to join:

- Request membership on [the AU Involve page](#)
- Pay the one-time \$40 dues fee

### Honors Ambassadors

It is the responsibility of the Honors Ambassadors to represent the very best that the Honors College has to offer and to help recruit top students to come to Auburn. They play an integral role in the Honors College as they help facilitate the Honors orientation sessions, War Eagle Days for potential students, area receptions, and TALONS days for particularly gifted high school students.

Applications for this organization are made available at the beginning of the Spring semester. For more information, please contact [Bryce Gray, Administrator, Student Recruiting](#).

### Peer Instructors

Honors students who have completed their first year or higher have the opportunity to become Peer Instructors for the Freshman Exploration course. Honors Peer Instructors receive an Honors Participation credit for each semester involved. Responsibilities of Honors Peer Instructors include:

- Remain in good standing in the Honors College;
- Lead activities and discussions in class to involve students and provide a seasoned student perspective;
- Make an effort to get to know each student and be available to them in and out of class;
- Bridge the gap between instructor and students.

For more information, please contact [Savannah Baker, Academic Advisor III](#).

### LEAD Peer Mentorship Program

The Honors Peer Mentorship Program is a lifeline for incoming Honors College freshmen to help ease the transition into the Honors College and university life by grouping new students with experienced upperclassmen. New students have a contact from the first day they arrive on campus to help them navigate this new step in their lives. Mentors are paired with a small group of first-year students with whom they interact throughout the summer and fall semester. For more information, contact [HonorsProgramming@auburn.edu](mailto:HonorsProgramming@auburn.edu).



## **Week of Service**

The Week of Service program is dedicated to education, justice, and service. This program is specifically for incoming first-year students and takes place the week before classes begin. During the Week of Service, students will learn about poverty at the national, state, and local areas while participating in various community service opportunities. The week features film and article discussions as well as guest speakers. The Week of Service is a call to action: to better our community through understanding, advocating, and helping others who need it most. This experience is truly eye-opening and an impactful way to begin your time at Auburn. For more information, visit [honors.auburn.edu/opportunities/service](https://honors.auburn.edu/opportunities/service) or email [weekofservice@auburn.edu](mailto:weekofservice@auburn.edu).

## **HONORS COLLEGE AMENITIES**

In addition to campus organizations for Honors students, the Honors College provides two areas on campus to which Honors students have access by way of their University ID.

The Honors Student Center, located in the basement of Broun Residence Hall in the Upper Quad, is accessible to all Honors students. This space has areas for studying and socializing with the added benefits of a kitchen, washer/dryer, games, etc.

The Honors Study Room, located on the main floor of the Ralph Brown Draughon Library, provides a quiet study area for Honors College students. Students are granted access to this space at the beginning of their Freshman year and maintain that access provided they remain in good standing in the Honors College.



# FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHT AND PRIVACY ACT



The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a Federal law designed to protect the privacy of a student's education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student, or former student, who has reached the age of 18 or is attending any school beyond the high school level. Students and former students to whom the rights have transferred are called eligible students.

- Parents or eligible students have the right to inspect and review all of the student's education records maintained by the school. Schools are not required to provide copies of materials in education records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents or eligible students to inspect the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.
- Parents and eligible students have the right to request that a school correct records believed to be inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student then has the right to a formal hearing. After the hearing, if the school still decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student has the right to place a statement with the record commenting on the contested information in the record.
- Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student before releasing any information from a student's record. However, the law allows schools to disclose records, without consent, to the following parties:
  - School employees who have a need to know
  - Other schools to which a student is transferring
  - Certain government officials in order to carry out lawful functions
  - Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student
  - Organizations conducting certain studies for the school
  - Accrediting organizations
  - Individuals who have obtained court orders or subpoenas
  - Persons who need to know in cases of health and safety emergencies; and State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law

Schools may also disclose, without consent, "directory" type information such as a student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, honors and awards, and dates of attendance. However, schools must tell parents and eligible students about directory information and allow parents and eligible students a reasonable amount of time to request that the school not disclose directory information about them. Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. The actual means of notification (special letter, inclusion in a PTA bulletin, student handbook, or newspaper article) is left to the discretion of each school.

For additional information or technical assistance, you may call (202) 260-3887 or TDD (202) 260-8956 or contact:

Family Policy Compliance Office  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20202-4605

**\*\*More information can be found on the Office of the Registrar's website.**

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I believe that this is a practical world and that I can count only on what I earn. Therefore, I believe in work, hard work. I believe in education, which gives me the knowledge to work wisely and trains my mind and my hands to work skillfully. I believe in honesty and truthfulness, without which I cannot win the respect and confidence of my fellow men. I believe in a sound mind, in a sound body and a spirit that is not afraid, and in clean sports that develop these qualities. I believe in obedience to law because it protects the rights of all. I believe in the human touch, which cultivates sympathy with my fellow men and mutual helpfulness and brings happiness for all. I believe in my Country, because it is a land of freedom and because it is my own home, and that I can best serve that country by “doing justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly with my God.” And because Auburn men and women believe in these things, I believe in Auburn and love it.

-George Petrie (1945)

