

Honors College

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The Honors College at California State University, San Bernardino offers a curriculum designed to meet the needs of highly motivated students who seek an exceptional, intellectually challenging experience. This program will add breadth, depth, and rigor to the student's undergraduate course of study. Honors students are encouraged to take an active role in their own learning process, to think about problems they will face in creating the future, and to explore their roles in addressing these problems. Integration of subject material across the curriculum and interdisciplinary approaches to learning are essential goals of the program, as is emphasis on the cognitive development of the student. The curriculum challenges students to develop thinking skills and to use these skills in analyzing and evaluating problems of contemporary society. In doing so, the curriculum fosters a learning community that promotes student research, creativity, and innovation. Honors students will have:

- Personalized advising;
- Priority registration;
- The opportunity to participate in honors activities such as excursions, performances, and art exhibits;
- Honors courses in basic skills such as expository writing, oral communication, and critical thinking;
- Honors seminars which promote interaction among students and faculty;
- Honors courses in specific academic disciplines and interdisciplinary areas.

Admission to the Program

Incoming first-year and rising juniors or transfer students who have shown scholastic ability, intellectual promise, and creativity are encouraged to apply for the Honors College. Incoming first-year students will be given written invitation to apply to the Honors College based on strong performance in high school.

Rising juniors and transfer students who have remained consistently on the Dean's List and/or have maintained a 3.5 overall grade point average in previous course work may apply to the program. These students should contact the Honors College for the application.

In addition, any faculty member identifying a student as one who has the potential to profit from the challenge of the program may sponsor a student into the program, with the approval of the Honors Committee.

To remain in good standing in the Honors Program, students are expected to maintain a grade point average of 3.3 ("B+") overall.

Honors with Distinction (22 units)

The Honors College at California State University, San Bernardino offers both a curriculum and supporting experiential learning activities in the form of an undergraduate thesis. The Honors With Distinction program designed to support highly motivated and highly engaged students who seek different approaches to learning as well as an intellectually and creatively challenging experience. This program will add breadth, depth, and rigor to students' undergraduate course of study by providing

alternative methods of learning that challenge students to think and question in new ways. Honors students are encouraged to take an active role in their own learning process, to think about problems they will face as they define the future, and to explore their roles in addressing these problems. The Honors curriculum gives students opportunities to consider how their own identities and cultural backgrounds position them for success in their educations and careers and equip them to make positive contributions to their communities. Integration of subject material across the curriculum and interdisciplinary approaches to learning are essential goals of the program, as is the emphasis on personal and cognitive development. The curriculum challenges students to develop thinking skills and to use these skills in analyzing and evaluating problems of contemporary society. In doing so, the curriculum fosters a learning community that promotes student research, creativity, and innovation.

Admission to the Program

Admission is open to students who have at least four semesters remaining. Incoming first-year students may be given written invitation to apply or direct admission to the Honors College based on strong performance in high school, but the program accepts applications from any student wanting to benefit from its offerings. Applications and support materials are available on the program's website.

Recognition Requirements (22 units)

HON 1100	Writing Rhetorically	3
HON 1200	Thinking Critically	3
HON 1300	Communicating Orally	3
HON 1400	Constructing Knowledge	3
Optional Honors GE Courses		
ES 1000H	Introduction to Ethnic Studies: HONORS SECTION	
HIST 1460H	Honors History of the United States: Pre-Colonization to Present	
PHIL 1012H	Honors Introduction to Ethics	
PHIL 1015H	Honors Introduction to Knowledge and Reality	
PSCI 2030H	Government of the United States-- Honors	
Choose 2 Units From the Following:		2
HON 3000	Service Learning in Honors	
HON 3010	Self-Directed Service Learning in Honors	
Choose 6 Units From The Following:		6
HON 3100	Natural Sciences and the Humanities	
HON 3150	Natural Sciences and the Humanities Praxis	
HON 3200	Social Sciences and Natural Sciences Seminar	
HON 3250	Social Sciences and Natural Sciences Praxis	
HON 3300	Social Science and the Humanities Seminar	
HON 3350	Social Science and the Humanities Praxis	
HON 3510	Multidisciplinary Approaches in the Arts and Humanities	

HON 3520	Multidisciplinary Approaches in the Natural Sciences	
HON 3530	Multidisciplinary Approaches in the Social Sciences	
HON 4100	Junior Research Exploration Workshop	1
HON 5000	Senior Thesis Project	1

Total Units **22**

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