Honors Program Advantages

Honors students are involved in many social activities and organizations. Some are athletes, some have leadership positions in Student Government, some are in the performing arts. Many are active in several organizations, while others are involved in internships. Also, Honors students participate in national, regional and state honors councils. Honors Semesters, Sleeping Bag Seminars, and annual conferences are just a few of these opportunities.

Graduating with Honors in General Education

Students in the Honors Program are pursuing the distinction of Graduating with Honors in General Education. This requires the completion of 24 credits of Honors course work:

• 3 credits of Honors English Composition
• 15 credits of Honors variants in the General Education Program
• 6 credits of Honors advanced courses
  These upper-level courses may be any two of the following:
  • IDIS 351 (Honors: Advanced FSU Colloquium)
  • IDIS 491 (Honors Seminar)
  • IDIS 493 (Honors Thesis) and/or an Experiential Learning Option

Courses taken for Honors credit at another college may be used to fulfill Honors Program requirements.

For more information about the FSU Honors Program:

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Do you have a passion for learning?

Do you want to make the most of your college experience?

Do you want to build foundations for life-long success?

In the Honors Program at Frostburg State University, you will discover how exciting and rewarding a college education can be. Pursue your goals and interests in engaging seminar-style classes with dedicated professors who are gifted instructors and mentors, while your classmates challenge you with new perspectives, their own backgrounds, and diverse points of view.

Honors Courses

“Engaging, innovative, challenging, dynamic” are words that students have used to describe the FSU Honors Program. Many of our courses draw on more than one discipline so students can benefit from learning experiences that are driven by critical thinking and debate. They are led by engaging professors who create unique and supportive learning environments.

Honors classes emphasize depth of thought, helping students to achieve real understanding of issues, going significantly beyond just the memorization of facts. On graduation, FSU Honors students possess the essential critical-thinking and problem-solving skills that will fuel their success in their careers or graduate school. They also take away great respect for varying points of view, as well as lasting relationships with fellow students and faculty members.

Examples of recent courses include Digital Storytelling, Social Entrepreneurship, Mental Health and Mental Illness, Power and Control in American Education, Metaphysics and Modern Physics, and New York City and Modern American Culture.

Honors Program Learning Community

Led by honors faculty, our “Power, Culture, and Polarization in America” Learning Community offers first-year students a stirring initiation into Honors education.

Priority Registration

Priority Registration allows Honors students to register early for classes, ensuring the best access to the most sought-after courses. This unique privilege is given to students who are progressing every semester toward completion of Honors in General Education.

Honors Housing

First-year Honors students have the opportunity to live in a single or double room, depending on their preference, in the freshman honors residence halls, Frost Hall and Diehl Hall. Sophomore, junior and senior Honors students may choose a single room in Cambridge Hall, the Honors/International residence hall, but Honors students often choose to live in other campus residence halls.

HONORS PROGRAM FEATURES

- Priority registration
- Undergraduate Research Opportunity Stipends
- Active learning
- Smaller class sizes
- Honors housing, with single rooms available
- Co-curricular activities, on- and off-campus
- Travel/study abroad opportunities
- Honors Program Learning Community
- Camaraderie of goal-oriented, intellectually curious and friendly students and faculty
- Opportunities to co-facilitate classes with a faculty mentor

Undergraduate Research

Undergraduate Research Opportunity Stipends (UROS) give Honors students opportunities to collaborate on research with an FSU professor. Honors students may apply for the program at the end of their first year. If selected, you will receive a $1,000 stipend to work with a faculty member on a scholarly research project.

A unique feature of UROS is that students and faculty also receive funds to travel to academic conferences. Your work in UROS may even lead to a senior thesis.

Co-Facilitating Opportunities

Advanced Honors students may have the opportunity to assist a faculty member with an introductory course. These students are not graders or clerical help; rather, they function as discussion leaders and mentors to new students. This program allows you to take a very active role in your own (and others’) education.

“I love my honors classes because of the productive interactions we have. The classes are small so everyone’s point of view can be heard and analyzed. The program allows me to challenge myself. Besides, the priority registration is not bad at all.”

— Marie Saint-Louis ’19