

Fall 2024 Automatic Honors Sections

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This document can help you identify Automatic Honors sections (Honors Only and Accelerated Honors) as you prepare to enroll in the upcoming term. Please note the following:

- To earn Honors credit from an Automatic Honors course, you must enroll in a/the section designated as "Honors Only" or "Accelerated Honors."
- Course descriptions and instructor provided content (when available) in the [Course Search & Enroll app](#) will help you learn more about the courses.
- Please verify offerings and section-specific information in [Course Search & Enroll](#) before finalizing your schedule. Information provided in this document is subject to change as departments finalize their course offerings.
- This list does not include the many courses offered with Honors Optional enrollment. [Learn more about ways to earn Honors credit.](#)
- You can use the [Honors in the Liberal Arts Degree Progress Self-Check](#) to identify remaining Honors requirements and understand how they fit with other parts of your degree.
- We encourage students to meet with an Honors advisor each semester to get support with their degree plan and navigating their undergraduate experience. [Learn more about Honors advising.](#)

Honors in the Liberal Arts Degree Requirements

- Completion of general L&S degree requirements for chosen degree (typically B.A. or B.S.)
- Cumulative GPA of at least 3.3
- Completion of at least 24 credits of Honors courses, with a grade of B or better in each course, and the following sub-requirements:
 - **15 credits of Automatic Honors courses (Honors Only or Accelerated Honors)**
 - 6 credits of Honors in the Humanities breadth area (literature or humanities)
 - 6 credits of Honors in the Social Sciences breadth area
 - 6 credits of Honors in the Natural Sciences breadth area (biological, physical, or natural science)

Honors in the Major Degree Requirements

- Consult the relevant major-specific requirements in the [Guide](#) and your major advisor
- Senior Honors Thesis courses award Automatic Honors credit and require the consent of the instructor

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First-year Courses:

The Honors Only or Accelerated Honors sections of the following courses are excluded from the sections below because they are only open to incoming first-year Honors students in Fall 2024: Relig St 102, Asian/Coun Psy/Ed Psy/Psych 120, Biocore 181, Com Arts 181, Engl 181, Hist 100, Psych 202, Poli Sci 206, Path-Bio/Path 210, and Psych 212. Honors sections of Chem 109, Chem 115, and Math 375 are also excluded, because they are most appropriate for first-semester students and require permission or an application through the relevant department.

Literature Courses

<i>Department</i>	<i>Course #</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Instructor</i>	<i>Section Info</i>	<i>Honors Type</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Prerequisites</i>
Classics	320	The Greeks (Comm B)	Jeffrey Beneker	LEC 001 with DIS 307	Honors Only	3	Comm A satisfied
Classics/Gen & WS	351	Women in the Classical World	Laura McClure	LEC 001	Honors Only	3	Sophomore Standing
English	140	Literature as Equipment for Living (Comm B)	Anja Jovic- Humphrey	LEC 001 with DIS 309	Honors Only	4	None
English	182	Intro to Literature for Honors	Kristina Huang	SEM 001	Honors only	3	None
English	182	Stories, Poems, and Critical Thinking	Vinay Dharwadker	SEM 002	Honors Only	3	None
Integrated Liberal Studies	203	Western Culture: Literature and the Arts I	William Aylward	LEC 001 with DIS 309	Honors Only	3	None
Literature courses for specific majors or with specialized requisites							
German	683	Grenzüberschre itungen: Geography, Gender, Race, Class, and Culture	Sonja Klocke	SEM 001	Honors Only	3	German 385

Humanities Courses

<i>Department</i>	<i>Course #</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Instructor</i>	<i>Section Info</i>	<i>Honors Type</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Prerequisites</i>
Amer Ind/Ling	371	Survey of North American Indian Languages (Ethnic Studies)	Monica Macaulay	LEC 001	Honors Only	3	Sophomore standing (<i>No longer reserved for first-years</i>)
Asian	100	Revolutionary Asia	Tyrell Haberkorn	LEC 001 with DIS 301	Honors Only	3	None
Asian/Religious Studies	236	Asia Enchanted (Comm B)	Jamal Jones	LEC 001 with DIS 301	Honors Only	3	None
English	307	Creative Writing: Fiction and Poetry (Comm B)		All sections	Accelerated Honors	3	Junior Standing or Eng 207
Gender and Women's Studies	410	Feminist Art & Visual Culture	Anna Campbell	LEC 001	Honors Only	3	Sophomore Standing
Music	151	Basic Concepts of Music Theory	Jaime Henke-Paustian	LEC 003	Honors Only	3	None

Humanities courses for specific majors or with specialized requisites

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English	407, 408, 409, 411	Creative Writing Workshops	Various	All sections	Accelerated Honors	3	Previous Creative Writing Course
English	508	Advanced Fiction Workshop	Daniel Moniz	All sections	Accelerated Honors	3	English 408
English	695	Directed Creative Writing		All Sections	Accelerated Honors	3	Senior English Major Only

Either Humanities or Social Science Courses

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Asian/Asian Am/History	246	Southeast Asian Refugees of the Cold War (Ethnic Studies)	Michael Cullinane	LEC 001 with DIS 305	Honors Only	4	None
Philosophy	341	Contemporary Moral Issues	James Goodrich	LEC 001	Honors Only	3	Sophomore Standing

Either humanities or social science courses for specific majors or with specialized requisites

History	600	Advanced Seminar in History (Various Topics)	Various	All sections	Accelerated Honors	3	History 201 or Hist Sci 211 (<i>See Hist Dept website for enrollment info</i>)
Political Science	601	Proseminar: Topics in Political Science (Various topics)	Various	All sections	Accelerated Honors	3	Consent of instructor

Social Science Courses

<i>Department</i>	<i>Course #</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Instructor</i>	<i>Section Info</i>	<i>Honors Type</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Prerequisites</i>
C&E Soc/Soc	475	Classical Sociological Theory	Robert Freeland	LEC 001	Accelerated Honors	3	Sophomore Standing or Soc 181/140/210/ 211 (previous sociology coursework recommended)
Economics	111	Principles of Economics	Korinna Hansen	LEC 001 with DIS 301	Accelerated Honors	4	Math 112 or 113 (or higher); No previous Econ 101/102
History	345	Military History of the United States	John Hall	LEC 001 with DIS 305	Accelerated Honors	3	Sophomore Standing; No History 427 or 428
Journalism	201	Intro to Mass Communication (Comm B)	Hernando Rojas	LEC 1 with DIS 301	Honors Only	4	Fresh, soph, or junior standing only
Political Science	182	Introduction to Comparative Politics (Comm B)	Yoshiko Herrera	SEM 001	Honors Only	3	No Poli Sci 120
Psychology	405	Adult Psychopathology	Diane Gooding	LEC 002 with DIS 301	Honors Only	4	Psych 202
Psychology	414	Cognitive Psychology	Joe Austerweil	LEC 002 with DIS 301	Honors Only	4	Intro Psych or Biology
Sociology	125	American Society	Joseph Conti	LEC 001	Honors Only	3	None
Sociology	181	Sociological Enterprise (Comm B)	Mustafa Emirbayer	LEC 001	Honors Only	3	Comm A, no Soc 210/211

Social science courses for specific majors or with specialized requisites

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Anthro	405	Intro to Museum Studies	Elizabeth Leith	SEM 001	Accelerated Honors	3	Junior Standing
Economics	311	Intermediate Microecon: Advanced Treatment	Korinna Hansen	LEC 001	Accelerated Honors	3	Math 222, Econ 101 & 102 or 111; no 301
Psychology	501	Language in Social Interaction	Robert Hawkins	LEC 002 with DIS 317	Honors Only	4	Psych 202 and Psych 414
Psychology	528	Cultural Psychology	Nick Buttrick	LEC 001 with DIS 310	Honors Only	4	PSYCH 403, 406, 413, 414, or 456. No Psych 428

Biological Science Courses

<i>Department</i>	<i>Course #</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Instructor</i>	<i>Section Info</i>	<i>Honors Type</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Prerequisites</i>
Geoscience	110	Evolution and Extinction	Shanan Peters	LEC 001 with either DIS 317 or DIS 318	Honors Only	4	None
Psychology	449	Animal Behavior	Catherine Marler	LEC 002 with DIS 301	Honors Only	4	Intro Psych or Bio
Zoology	200	Our Brains & Bodies on Nature	Sharon Thoma	LEC 002 with DIS 302	Honors Only	3	None

Biological science courses for specific majors or with specialized requisites

Biocore	381-382	Evolution, Ecology, & Genetics (381: Comm B)		All sections	Honors Only	3, 2	Declared in Biocore Honors Certificate
Biocore	485-486	Principles of Physiology		All sections	Honors Only	3, 2	Biocore 383
Psychology	505	Animal Cognition	Stephen Ferrigno	LEC 001 with DIS 307	Honors Only	4	Intro Psych or Bio plus PSYCH 414, 449, 450, or 460

Physical Science Courses

<i>Department</i>	<i>Course #</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Instructor</i>	<i>Section Info</i>	<i>Honors Type</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Prerequisites</i>
Astron	236	History of Matter in the Universe (Comm B)	Sebastian Heinz	LEC 002	Honors Only	3	None

Physical science courses for specific majors or with specialized requisites

Chemistry	329	Fundamentals of Analytical Science		All sections	Accelerated Honors	4	Chem 104 or 109, no 327
Chemistry	343	Organic Chemistry I		DIS 362-364	Accelerated Honors	3	Invitation only
Chemistry	547	Advanced Organic Chemistry	Jennifer Schomaker	LEC 001	Accelerated Honors	3	Chem 345
Chemistry	561-564	Physical Chemistry, Lab	Various	All sections	Accelerated Honors	3, 1	See CS&E
Chemistry	665	Biophysical Chemistry	Arun Yethiraj	All sections	Accelerated Honors	3	A Chem, Calc II, Physics
Physics	247	Modern Intro to Physics I		All sections	Accelerated Honors	5	Math 222 or concur enrlmt

Physics	248	Modern Intro to Physics II	Yiban Pan	All sections	Accelerated Honors	5	Physics 247 and Math 234/376
Physics	249	Modern Intro to Physics III	Moritz Muenchmeyer	All sections	Accelerated Honors	4	Physics 248

Natural Science Courses

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Gen & WS	103	Gender, Women, Bodies, and Health	Annie Menzel	LEC 002	Honors Only	3	None
Gender & Women's Studies	528 (<i>note course # change</i>)	Science and Sexuality	Sara Chadwick	LEC 002	Honors Only	3	GWS 103 (If you feel you have taken an equivalent course, you could reach out to instructor and ask if you can receive permission to enroll)

Natural science courses for specific majors or with specialized requisites

Math	320	Linear Alg & Diff Equations	Fabian Waleffe	DIS 372	Accelerated Honors	3	MATH 222 or 276
Math	321	Applied Mathematical Analysis	Fabian Waleffe	LEC 001	Accelerated Honors	3	MATH 376 or 234 & Linear Algebra
Math	341	Linear Algebra		All sections	Accelerated Honors	3	Math 234

No Breadth Courses

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History	500	Women and US Sports History	Ashley Brown	SEM 001	Accelerated Honors	3	History 201 or Junior Standing
History	500	Philosophies of History	Viren Murthy	SEM 002	Accelerated Honors	3	History 201 or Junior Standing
History	500	Life Stories of the Undefeated	Paul Grant	SEM 003	Accelerated Honors	3	History 201 or Junior Standing
History	500	History of American Wilderness		SEM 004	Accelerated Honors	3	History 201 or Junior Standing
History	500	Sparta	Claire Taylor	SEM 005	Accelerated Honors	3	History 201 or Junior Standing
Political Science	401	Political Behavior & Economy	Katherine Cramer	SEM 003	Honors Only	3	Sophomore Standing
No-breadth courses for specific majors or with specialized requisites							
Anthropology	490	Undergraduate Seminar (Various topics)		All sections	Accelerated Honors	3	Junior/Senior, Anthro Major
CS&D	481	Undergraduate Junior Honors		LEC 001	Honors Only	3	Satisfied Comm A
Gen & WS	640	Capstone Seminar		LEC 001	Accelerated Honors	3	Consent of instructor
Inter-LS	315	Paradigms and Process in Academic Inquiry	Hannah Bailey	SEM 001	Accelerated Honors	2	Consent of instructor (for URS Fellows)
Psychology	380	Juniors Honors Seminar	Kristin Shutts	SEM 001	Honors Only	1	Psych 225
Religious Studies	600	Religion in Critical Perspective	Cara Rock-Singer	SEM 001	Accelerated Honors	3	Consent of instructor. Relig St major
Sociology/C&E Soc	361	Statistics for Sociologists II	Theodore Gerber	All sections	Accelerated Honors	4	Previous Stats coursework. See section info for details.

Selected Course Descriptions

Below are course descriptions for several of the upcoming semester's Honors Only courses. When searching in the Course Search & Enroll tool, you can find descriptions and helpful information for many courses by clicking **"Instructor provided content,"** if available, at either the course level or in the section information.

Astronomy 236: The History of Matter in the Universe

The History of Matter in the Universe explores the evolution of element distribution over 14 billion years, tracing it from the Big Bang to the current composition of habitable planets like Earth. This multidisciplinary study emphasizes connections between astronomy, geology, and chemistry, utilizing scientific journals and popular press readings to allow us to engage with the material on multiple levels. The course offers insights into the non-linear nature of the scientific process, involving flashes of insight, brilliant deductions, clever observations, and just plain good luck. Additionally, it delves into various forms of scientific writing, aiming to enhance students' communication skills. The ultimate goal is to leave participants as better writers and communicators, equipped to distill complex information into a concise and approachable forms.

The target audience is students with an interest in the Universe and the world around them. There are no prerequisites and students are not expected to have a scientific background. (Students majoring in astronomy are encouraged to take more quantitative astronomy offerings such as Astro 200.)

Political Science 401: Political Behavior & Economy

"Why do people vote against their interests?" If that question fascinates you, or if you have ever wondered about why people think about politics the way they do, check out this class. In this seminar, we will explore together the connection between the economy and political attitudes. We will focus primarily on public opinion in the United States, but will regularly bring in research on opinion in other advanced industrialized democracies to our reading and discussions. We will study topics such as perceptions of inequality and their effect on political attitudes, and the economic underpinnings of place-based resentment and its connection to the rise of populism that will help us all make sense of this political moment in history. Our seminar sessions will involve small-group and whole-class discussions, a field trip or two, and your assignments will include keeping and journal and two 8-page papers related to the course content.

Geoscience 110: Evolution and Extinction

Recognizing evolution and extinction as natural phenomena, and understanding many of the processes that govern them, is a crowning achievement of the human intellect. We will touch on the history of evolutionary and geological thought, gain a basic understanding of evolutionary mechanisms and processes, and examine deep-time evolutionary patterns in the context of the physical evolution of the Earth and universe. Readings for the course, the focal point of weekly discussion section meetings, include a mixture of historically important texts, namely portions of Darwin's *Origin of the Species*, and newer popular scientific texts that highlight recent problems and advances. Honors students will complete a self-designed project that will help you explore in more depth a topic of personal interest, think critically about generate AI output by identifying its strengths and limitations as a source of information, and become more effective and responsible users of AI.

This course is tailored toward students who are not science majors and who possibly don't even think they are interested in science!