



UNIVERSITY OF
ARKANSAS

The **Honors College**





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- Created in 2002 with the help of a donation from the Walton Family Foundation
- Our goals:
 - To make for a **more fulfilling college experience**, both inside and outside the classroom
 - To prepare our students for the **next steps in life**



The Honors Programs

1 HONORS COLLEGE, 6 HONORS PROGRAMS

College of
Education and
Health Professions

College of
Engineering

Dale Bumpers
College of
Agricultural, Food
and Life Sciences

Fay Jones School of
Architecture and
Design

J. William Fulbright
College of Arts and
Sciences

Sam M. Walton
College of Business

- **Honors degree requirements** vary across academic colleges, so make sure to pay attention to the honors information your college provides
- You can also find this information on the **Academics tab** of the Honors College website (scroll down and click on your academic college's circle)





Honors Courses

- Regardless of the field, honors courses are distinguished by:
 - **Innovative courses** that focus on classroom discussion and collaboration
 - **Increased interaction** between honors faculty members and students
 - Designed to be **rigorous, yet rewarding**



Examples of Honors Courses



- **Traditional “intro” honors courses**
 - General education requirements taken during freshman and sophomore years
- **Team-taught, interdisciplinary courses**
 - Example: Honors Humanities Project (H2P)
- **Colloquia & Signature Seminars**
 - Very focused upper-level courses in a discipline
 - Signature seminars typically require an application
- **Honors College Forums & Retro Readings**
 - One-hour topics courses offered to all honors students





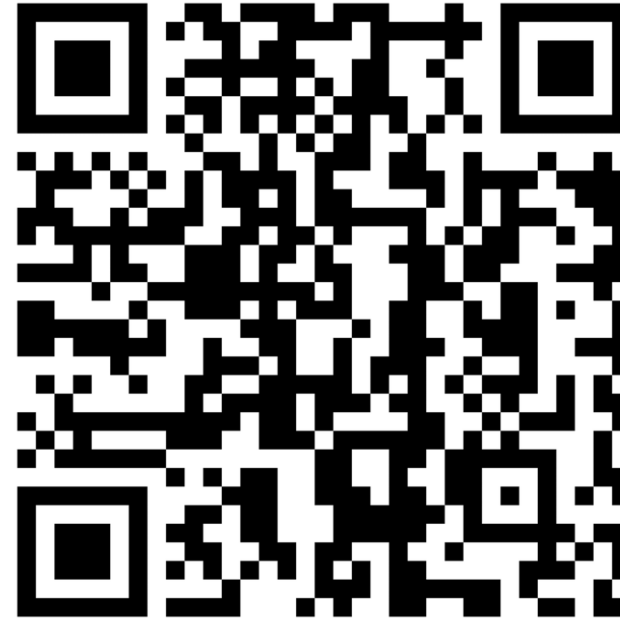
Tips for Honors Courses

- **You don't have to be in an honors class every semester!**
 - Discuss requirements with your academic advisor
- **Consider taking your Honors Program's recommended number of honors courses this semester**
 - Pay attention to honors credit requirements for grants
- **Still waiting on AP scores?**
 - Let your academic advisor know what scores you are waiting on
 - They may recommend you still sign up for that class



Tips for Pre-Health/Pre-Law Students

- **Scan here** to visit our Honors College pre-professional resources landing page
- Access our Sharepoint for more detailed information, including recommended classes and tips for building your résumé
- Look for pre-professional programming during A-Week





Study Abroad

- UA offers over **40 programs** led by UA faculty along with **hundreds of program options** outside UA
- Since 2005, Honors College students have studied abroad in **all seven continents**
- Programs range from **highly structured and guided** to **independent and adventurous**



Study Abroad Grants



- **Competitive grants** are available to participate in study abroad programs that take place for
 - a few weeks
 - a semester or summer
 - an academic year
- **Want to apply as a freshman?** Be sure to sign up for one to three credits of honors your first semester!





Planning for Study Abroad

- **Plan early!**
 - Visit the Study Abroad website:
studyabroad.uark.edu
 - Meet with the Office of Study Abroad
- **Know the honors course requirements for each grant**
- **Use Honors College resources**
 - Honors College website
 - Grants Manager:
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Undergraduate Research



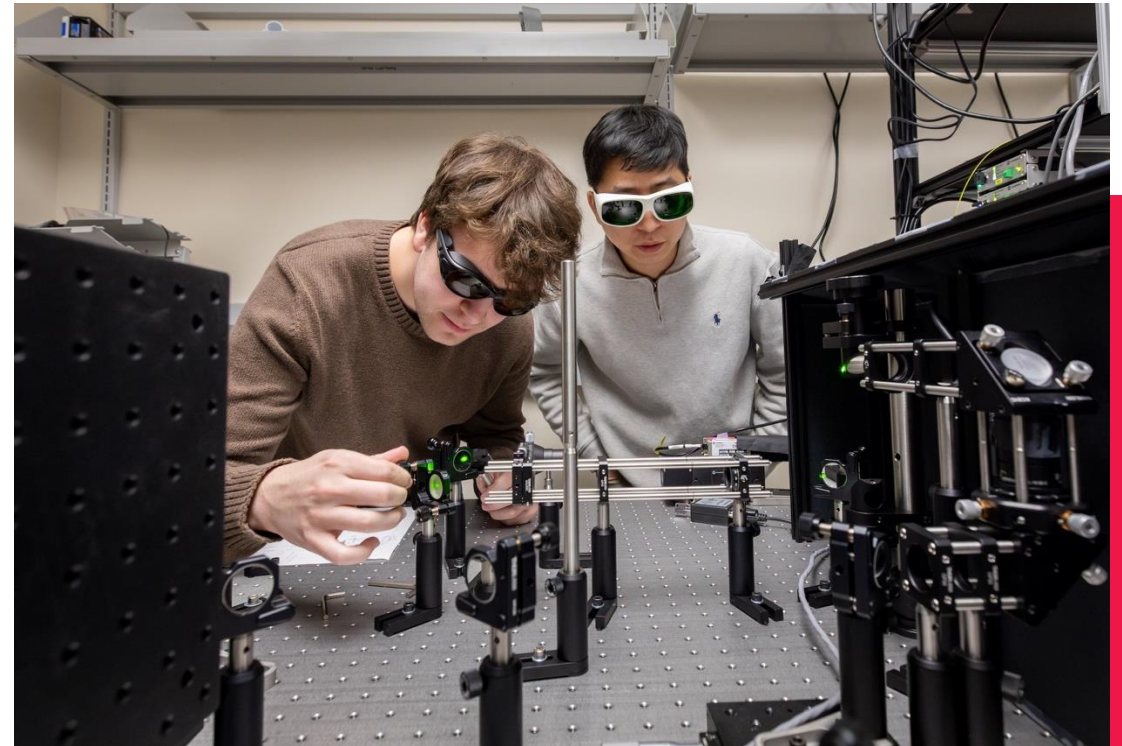
- All honors students are required to complete a **faculty-led, undergraduate research project or creative activity** in their academic field
 - **Grant funding** is available to support your project
- This project serves as **fantastic preparation** for either graduate school or the workplace





Tips for Undergraduate Research

- **During your first year**, learn about research in your discipline
- Attend workshops in the Honors College to learn more about research
- Students typically start research at the end of sophomore year



The Futures Hub



- Staff members in our **Futures Hub** help honors students explore opportunities on campus and in the community to prepare them for **life after college**
- What's next for you? The Hub helps you plan a **great** future.
 - **Global Experiences**
 - **Research**
 - **Engagement**
 - **Academics**
 - **Trajectory**





Gearhart Hall

- **Home** of the Honors College
- Located between **Old Main and Bell Engineering**
- Includes two wonderful **student lounges** along with Honors College staff offices
- **Stop by when you get a chance!**



Hotz Honors Hall



- Option to live in **Hotz Honors Hall** during first year of college
- Fantastic facility that includes a small theater room, a music practice room, and a gym equipment room for residents
- **Video tour** of the building available on **HonorsTV** section of the website





Graduating with Honors

- All students who complete the honors requirements get a **Latin distinction** on their diploma that is also noted on their transcript
- All graduates become members of our **Senior Common Room**, which comes with our **Audax at Sapiens pin**

Most important? A life-long plus on your resume





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