



TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

HONORS PROGRAM

Handbook 2020-2021

intellectual **CURIOSITY,**

social **COURAGE,**

inclusive **COMMUNITY,**

and integrity in **LEADERSHIP.**

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

All courses must be at least 2 credits to count toward your Honors requirements. One credit labs do not count toward your total. To satisfy an Honors course requirement, the Honors course must be two or more credits. All Honors students are required to take the Honors versions of Analytical Reading and Writing, as well as Intellectual Heritage I and II unless one or more of these requirements is met through placement testing or previously earned credit. If you have credit for one of these courses, you need to replace it with any other Honors course.

For all incoming first-year students & students admitted to Honors after their first college semester with fewer than 30 credits must complete a minimum of 10 Honors to be distributed as follows:

Analytical Reading and Writing (ENG 0902)

Intellectual Heritage I & II (IH 0951 & IH 0952)

3 additional Honors courses at any level

4 Upper-Level Honors courses (2000 or higher)

Students admitted to Honors after their first college semester who have accrued between 30 and 59 credits must complete a minimum of 8 Honors to be distributed as follows:

4 Honors courses at any level

4 Upper-Level Honors courses (2000 or higher)

Students admitted to Honors after their first college semester with 60 or more credits must complete a minimum of 6 Honors to be distributed as follows:

2 Honors courses at any level

4 Upper-Level Honors courses (2000 or higher)



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HONORS GPA REQUIREMENT

Students must maintain a 3.25 cumulative GPA to be in Honors good standing, thus remaining in the Honors Program. Cumulative GPA is reviewed annually, after spring semester grades are posted. Students that don't meet the 3.25 GPA are subject to dismissal from the Honors Program. Students who raise their cumulative GPA back to 3.25 or higher after being dismissed should contact the Honors Program to ask for reinstatement.

HONORS ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Students in Honors must complete at least:
3 Honors classes by end of first year
6 Honors classes by end of second year
8 Honors classes by end of third year
10 Honors classes by the time of graduation
Note: These progress benchmarks do not apply to students who transfer into the Honors Program, though transfer students should be taking Honors courses at a similar pace.

CONTRACTS

Students can take up to 2 non-Honors courses that count as upper level Honors courses by contracting them. Courses that can be contracted are:

- Non-Honors courses numbered 3000 to 4999
- Graduate courses (5000 or higher)
- Independent studies

They also must:

- Not have an Honors equivalent
- Be at least 3 credits

PETITIONS

Students can submit an Honors petition for either additional contracts (above the maximum number of 2) or for co-curricular experiences to finish their Honors Program course requirement.