HONORS PROGRAM









Honors Requirements

Honors is manageable! It fits into your degree program and takes no extra time nor costs extra tuition.

+ ASSOCIATE DEGREE

- Complete The Honors Experience course
- Choose two other Honors elective courses
- Complete one Honors Experiential Activity
- Maintain a 3.3 GPA

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

- Complete The Honors Experience course
- Choose four other Honors elective courses
- Complete Honors Program Research Seminar course
- Complete three Honors Experiential Activities
- Maintain a 3.3 GPA

ABOUT THE HONORS PROGRAM

Since 2004, the Monroe College Honors Program has provided advanced learning opportunities to our most accomplished students. Available to all majors at Monroe, the Honors Program challenges students with an enhanced curriculum and unique, engaging social and academic activities. The Honors Program is committed to ensuring that students are prepared for a successful career or graduate study upon graduation.

Advantages of Honors

GO BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: When part of an Honors course, students learn outside the classroom. These experiences include trips to museums, lectures, and performances as well as overnight travel opportunities that complement each course's curriculum.

EXPLORE ENHANCED ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES: Honors students have the opportunity to propose projects they've completed to conferences that are held throughout the continental United States. When accepted, students travel and present their work.

APPRECIATE THE VALUE OF GIVING BACK: Honors students participate in community service and volunteer activities every semester.

SERVE AS A LEADER: Honors students can opt to run for the Honors Student Advisory Board or contribute to the Honors newsletter.

OBTAIN A GRADUATE DEGREE: Graduates from the Honors Program often go on to receive graduate degrees in top programs.



"As a member of the Honors Program, there have been many opportunities for me to serve the community. In my view, serving the community is one of the most important things to me. It only takes one kind act to impact or change someone's life."

- Eli Pemberton, Class of 2015

"Being honored as the NCHC Student of the Year at a Four-Year Institution has been the most incredible and rewarding experience in my time as an Honors student. Being recognized at a national level for all the work I've put into Honors is an extremely overwhelming experience that I will never forget. The NCHC award is not only a huge accomplishment for me but also for the entire Honors Program at Monroe. It proves we have an excellent program that is able to change people's lives and stand out on a national level."



- Nathalie Waldschmidt, Class of 2017



"Presenting my research for the first time at the 2015 NRHC Conference in Gettysburg, PA was really fun. I continued to put myself in situations where public speaking is something I had to do. I also traveled with the Honors Program to the 2016 NRHC Conference in Cambridge, Massachusetts and presented at the 2016 NCHC Conference in Seattle, Washington. I really enjoy attending such events. I think coming together and sharing information and perspectives at conferences, at the very least, makes us aware of how little we know, which in turn puts us at the gate of further learning."

- Onel Harrison, Class of 2016

HONORS COURSES

Students in the Honors Program have access to a broad range of amazing courses, as listed below.

THE HONORS EXPERIENCE. An interdisciplinary examination of art, science, social issues, history, and more. This course introduces students to the "honors" way of thinking and writing.

DECADES: A CULTURAL EXPLORATION. Travel back in time and study a decade through the lens of music, history, politics, and social change.

DECODING SECRET MESSAGES THROUGH MEDIA. There are hidden messages all around us. Study encryption and decryption to communicate like a pro.

THE ART AND CULTURE OF WORLD DANCE. Learn about the influence of music and dance on national culture and identity — and bring your dancing shoes!!

THE WORLD OF MODERN ART. Understand some of the major influences on famous artists and their work. Follow in their footsteps by putting paint to canvas yourself.

INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS. An interdisciplinary study of ethical theorems in everything from science and medicine to criminal justice and sports management.

THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY. Analyze how social, political, cultural, and historical influences affected the decisions and actions of various American presidents.

HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENTS IN HISTORY. By critically examining human rights atrocities throughout history, understand political, economic, and societal factors and consequences. Empower yourself to be an advocate for social justice.

CONTEMPORARY LITERARY GENRES. Engage in an in-depth exploration of a particular literary genre. Learn how it was developed and examine its richness and impact.

WORLD-CHANGING DISCOVERIES. This course looks at the "game changers" of technology, starting with fire and leading up to modern day innovations like 3D printing.

COMPARATIVE URBANISM. Visit several major U.S. cities to study first-hand how historical, social, and political influences had an impact on their culture, evolution, and infrastructure.

HONORS PROGRAM RESEARCH SEMINAR. Never look at research the same again. Construct a research proposal and write a literature review, both essential skills for graduate school!

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