

Honors Program Leadership Syllabus HONR 002

Course Description

One of the features of the Honors Program is to create a community of learners and develop life-long learners and promote good citizenship and ethics. The purpose of these requirements is to expose students to opportunities to develop leadership skills, to assist fellow students/community members, and to promote/support the honors program. Each honors scholar is required to serve the university in a leadership capacity – examples of these activities would include (but not exclusively):

- participate as a City as Text student leader, NEST leader, or orientation leader
- assist admissions to recruit potential honors students through events such as participation in tours, showcase, special events – must participate in three events
- serve in a leadership role for a university group or club (Student Government Association, Honor Council, etc.) for at least one semester
- serve as a coordinator of service learning reflection sessions or as a coordinator for service learning projects (must have completed HONR201 prior to serving in this role)
- work as a PASS leader or UMW tutor or Speaking or Writing center consultant
- participate in departmental meetings as a student department liaison
- be a member of the HSAC, Honors Student Advisory Committee

Expectations

All Honors scholars are required to complete the leadership requirement prior to graduation, typically during the third or fourth years of the program. Even though the course is for zero credits, in order to graduate with the distinction of University Honors, students must complete this requirement. The course will be graded on S/U scale (satisfactory completion of the service project will result in a grade of S). Once it is determined that the requirement was met, the Honors Program staff will report the student's name to the registrar's office so that it can be noted in the student's academic record.

Documentation Required for Fulfilling the Leadership Requirement

By the end of the third week of the semester, the student should outline leadership activities (i.e. approximate dates for the activities, meeting dates, and a brief idea of what will happen in the event.) This plan will be submitted using the leadership proposal assignment on the Canvas Honors Program Workspace (see link above).

By the end of the semester (last day of classes) in which the student completes the leadership requirements, the student must submit the leadership reflection assignment on Canvas. The form should include a list of at least three instances of leadership activities, a brief description of the activity, the time spent on the activity, and participation in the activity.

Any student failing to complete both the leadership proposal and reflection forms will not fulfill the leadership requirement. **Credit for the leadership requirement cannot be given retroactively.**