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## Honors Program Fall 2025

### New Student Orientation and Course Registration Instructions For First Year/First Time students

#### TO DO DURING YOUR NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION SESSION

- **Attend our Required Accepted Honors Student Meeting**
  - Noon – 12:25 p.m. OR Virtual 1:05 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.
- **If interested, attend our optional: “Getting Started in Research” Session**
  - Either 12:30 -12:55 p.m. or 1:00-1:25 p.m. session.
- **Go to your course registration session within your college.**
  - ➔ Have this sheet with you when registering for your Fall courses.
  - ➔ Tell your advisor you are an Honors Program Student.
- **Students and/or Guests may drop by our Honors “Open House”.** In our Honors Program/U-Engage Lounge, Michener Library, Lower Level, L094/095, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

#### COURSE REGISTRATION OPTIONS

You should enroll in at least one of these specific First Year Honors course options

Course descriptions: <https://www.unco.edu/honors/uhp/course-offerings.aspx>

- ☐ **HON100 Honors Connections I: From Surviving to Thriving in the 21st Century**
  - TR 0930 – 1045 (elective)
- ☐ **HON180 Great Ideas in Context: Love, Death, & Destruction: Defining What is Best for Humanity in the Modern World**
  - MWF 1325 – 1415 (LAC: LAA2, LAIS) (**class full**)
- ☐ **HON185 Religions and World Views (**class full**)**
  - MWF 1430 -- 1520 (LAC: LAA3)
- ☐ **HUM122 Popular Medievalisms: Medieval Tolkien**
  - TR 1100--1215 (LAC: LAA2, LAIS)
- ☐ **LEAD100 Fundamentals of Leadership (**Waiting List only**)**
  - MWF 0905 – 955 (elective)
- ☐ **ENG122-011 College Composition (Honors Section w/Prof. Wood)**
  - TR 1100--1215 (LAC: LAW1)
- ☐ **UNIV101 Foundations for Learning and Teaching (ANY Section).**

There are specific sections for the following groups, and if you are in one of these majors/cohorts, you should plan to enroll in one of their sections:

- CHE sections: UNIV101-105, UNIV101-056
- Psychology sections: UNIV101-001,102,101, 104
- undeclared sections: UNIV101-052, UNIV101-052
- Other Sections still open to Honors: UNIV101-116, UNIV101-103

**If you have any issues or questions, contact [honors@unco.edu](mailto:honors@unco.edu) or call us at 970-351-2940,  
or come see us in Michener L094/L095.**



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## Honors Program Curriculum Overview

### First Year Honors Experience

Should be completed 1st year. May be completed in 2<sup>nd</sup> year.

- **Attend the Honors Retreat (September 13, 12:30 PM – 5:00 PM)**
- **In FALL 2025: Complete one Honors course option:** HON100, HON180, HON185, LEAD100, UNIV101 or ENG122-011 (Only this section of ENG122 counts)
- **In Spring 2026:** Complete any HON seminar course offered in Spring.
- **Participate in the Honors Connect Co-Curricular requirement**
  - Minimum of 5 Honors Connect Co-Curricular Credits over the year to complete First Year Honors.
  - Each semester: 10 Honors Connect Co-Curricular Credits gives you Priority Enrollment for next term.
- **Attend our Honors Banquet May 3, 2026.**
- **First Year Honors designation on Transcript**

### University Honors Program

Completed over 2 to 4 years.

- **Students from First year Honors Experience** may continue on into University Honors Program and complete the program. The 6 credits from First Year Experience applies toward University Honors Program.
- **12 credits of Honors seminars &/or applied learning courses** – any of the following:
  - Up to 6 credits lower division honors or leadership courses
    - can be from First Year Honors Experience
  - HON395: Special Topics courses (one or two offered each semester)
  - Internships/Practicums/Student Teaching (includes nursing practicum)
    - Includes courses from the major/may double dip.
  - Study Abroad – including short term, full semester, summer programs, etc.
    - Honors offers a short term (Spring Break) study abroad course in Spring.
  - Research Courses (includes PSY201; CRJ380; BIO422 etc.)
    - Includes courses from the major/may double dip
- **4 credits Honors Capstone** –CAN double dip with a major based capstone experience.
  - 2 credits of LIB251/HON351 are required before you start the capstone.
  - Then 2 credits of either HON451 or a discipline based senior seminar/capstone course.
  - Capstone projects may be:
    - **Applied** Projects (business or program plans, curricular design, etc.)
    - **Creative** Projects (Art, Music, Photography, Creative Writing, etc.)
    - **Research** Projects (experiments, social research, ethnography, etc.)
- **Participate in the Honors Connect Co-Curricular requirement**
  - Each Semester: 10 Connect Co-Curricular Credits gives you Priority Enrollment for next term.
  - Cumulative: Minimum of 6 Connect Co-Curricular activities (≈12 credits) to complete the program.
- **Honors designation on transcript** and diploma and Honors regalia for commencement.