



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

“Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.”
– John Dewey

The General Education Honors Program is a course of study to provide academic challenges and enhanced learning for highly motivated students at Sacramento State. Honors students take most of these courses in their freshman and sophomore years. There is an additional nine-unit upper division Honors sequence that students take to earn an Honors certificate upon graduation. The Honors courses fulfill almost all Sacramento State General Education requirements.

The guiding principles of the Honors Programs are active learning, global subject matter, study of primary texts, and an interdisciplinary orientation. Specially selected faculty provide challenging and stimulating learning experiences in small class settings. The cornerstone experience of the freshmen and sophomore years is a three semester Honors seminar, in which students will read some of the great books of the civilizations of the world and discuss some of the issues raised by these authors.

Honors students have access to a lounge and central administrative office, where they can relax, study, meet with advisors, and talk with one another. The program is open to qualified entering freshmen; all others interested should contact the Honors Director.

For further information and application instructions, visit the Honors website at www.csus.edu/honorsprogram.

Faculty

Cindi Sturtz Sreetharan, Raghuraman Trichur, Anthropology, Margaret Cleek, Business Administration, Mark Williams, Communication Studies, Sheree Meyer, English, Tim Fong, Ethnic Studies, George S. Craft, Candace Gregory, Mona Siegel, Lee Simpson, History, Jeffrey Brodd, Jackie Donath, Humanities and Religious Studies, Joan Neide, Kinesiology & Health Science, Elizabeth Ebrahimzadeh, Doraiswamy Ramachandran, Mathematics, Sue Holl, Mechanical Engineering, Patti Nogales, Thomas Pyne Philosophy, Pia Wong, Education, Ben Amata, University Library

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Requirements • Certificate

Forty-five (45) units of Honors courses (36 lower division and 9 upper division) are offered to Honors students; they have to take a minimum of 36 units (30 lower division and 6 upper division) in order to graduate with the Honors certificate.

In their freshman and sophomore years, Honors students will take approximately three Honors courses per semester, filling out their schedules with other General Education courses or courses required in their pre-major.

The freshman and sophomore courses for the first Honors cohort are approximately as follows:

Freshman Year

COMS 4H	Honors Public Speaking
HIST 50H	Honors World Civilizations I: Beginnings to 1600
HIST 51H	Honors World Civilizations II: 1600-Present
HONR 1	Education, Self-Examination and Living
MATH 15H	Honors Mathematical Reasoning
PHIL 4H	Critical Thinking - Honors

Sophomore Year

ANTH 2H	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology - Honors
GOVT 1H	Honors Government
HONR 2	Great Books and World Civilization I
HONR 3	Great Books and World Civilization II
Additional Honors course in the social sciences	

Junior and Senior Years

Three specially designed upper division Honors courses in General Education.