University Honors Curriculum

Students in the University Honors Program complete the following requirements. These classes replace and satisfy the university’s general education and distribution requirements.

1. **Honors Specific Classes** – All University Honors students must complete the following courses:

   **Honors First-Year Seminar** 1 credit
   - HON 105 (must be taken during the first year; only offered during fall semester)

   **English Composition and Literature Requirement** 9 credits
   - HON 100 (must be taken during the first year)
   - HON 110, and
   - HON 115
   (the Second-Year Seminar requirement is satisfied by either 110 or 115)

   **Honors Public Speaking** 3 credits
   - HON 101 (must be taken during the first year)

   **Honors Seminar Requirement** 12 credits
   Four HON 410-440 seminars must be completed during the junior and senior years. With prior approval, students may be able to substitute one study abroad course per semester, a graduate class, GAM 495, or Global Entrepreneurial Experience classes for HON 400-level seminars. Consult with your Honors College advisor for more information.

   **Additional Coursework** 6 credits
   A total of six additional HON credits. This requirement cannot be satisfied using any of the classes listed above but any HON credits taken to satisfy the requirements listed below can be used.

2. **Non-Honors Specific classes** – All University Honors students must satisfy these requirements by completing HON classes or other approved classes that meet these requirements as spelled out in the General Education section of the catalog.

   **Constitution Requirement** minimum 3 credits
   - HON 111 or HON 112 (Or an appropriate history or political science course)

   **Mathematics Requirement** minimum 3 credits
   - HON 124, MATH 124, or any higher level mathematics class approved by the Honors College

   **Life and Physical Sciences Requirement** minimum 7 credits
   - HON 230, 231, 280, or any approved non-HON physical science courses
   At least one lab science course is required

   **Social Science Requirement** 3 credits
   - HON 201-205 (or any approved social science course) can satisfy this requirement.
   - HON 112 may be used to satisfy this requirement if it is not used to satisfy the Constitutions requirement.
Fine Arts Requirement  3 credits
  • HON 420 (or any approved course)
    Please see the University of Nevada, Las Vegas General Education Core Requirements for a list of courses that fulfill this requirement.

Multicultural Requirement  3 credits*
  • HON 440 (or any approved course)
    For a list of additional acceptable courses that satisfy the multicultural requirement, please see the University of Nevada, Las Vegas General Education Core Requirements.

Analytical (Critical) Thinking Requirement  3 credits
  HON 102 or PHIL 102

Foreign Language Requirement  0-12 credits
Honors students have several options to complete this requirement. Students may take one language through intermediate level II, or two different languages through elementary level II. Students that test into 214 through the Foreign Languages department can satisfy the requirement by successfully completing 214. Placement into a 301-level course completely satisfies this requirement. If a student takes Latin, they must complete a 3 credit class that satisfies the International requirement.

Required HON Prefix Credits.................31

Total University Honors Credits....................... 31-74

NOTES:

AP and IB Examination Information
All AP and IB higher level exam credits can be used to substitute items in the University Honor Curriculum, with the exception of the English Language/Composition and Literature/Composition tests. The Honors College requires students earning ENG 101 credit through AP or IB to take all three Honors English classes. Substituted classes do not count toward the 31 credit Honors class requirement; however, all your AP or IB credits will be integrated into your program of study. Contact your Honors College advisor for more information.

Total Credits
The total number of credits required to graduate with a University Honors designation varies, as many courses in the Honors curriculum can simultaneously satisfy multiple requirements or be satisfied by non-Honors courses. The required number of HON Prefix courses is a set number, but the total number of credits needed to complete the Honors curriculum can vary.

Advising
There are limitations and exceptions for course usage and advising is essential to ensure proper usage of course credit.