Approved proposal of disciplinary honors

Honors in Anthropology

The very best Anthropology students are encouraged to consider graduating with program honors. To graduate with Honors in Anthropology a student must enroll in two subsequent 3 credit courses for a total of 6 credits over one year; ANT 492 Anthropological Analysis (Capstone) and a 3 credit ANT 485 Independent Study will be the ordinary sequence, but if necessary the courses can be taken in the reversed order.

The prerequisites for obtaining permission to pursue the Honors in Anthropology option are: the student must be a declared Anthropology major in Junior or Senior standing, have a GPA in all concluded anthropology classes of a minimum of 3.5, and have a written agreement with a faculty member, who will act as the advisor. In the first term, the student will prepare a study plan and literature review for an independent research project; at the end of the term, this work must be presented to a committee of at least three faculty members who will together determine the grade.

The prerequisites for pursuing the second term of the honors option include: an "A" in the first term, a GPA in all concluded anthropology classes of a minimum of 3.5, and written permission by the advisor. In the second semester, the student will conduct the proposed research project and report her/his findings (the report will ordinarily be a written paper, but can be supplemented by presentations in other media – an exhibition, a film, etc.). At the end of the term, this work must be presented to a committee of at least three faculty members who will together determine the grade. The grade "A" for the work in the second term will be recognized on the student's transcript as "Graduating with Honors in Anthropology".

Honors in Sociology

The very best Sociology students are encouraged to consider graduating with program honors. To graduate with Honors in Sociology a student must enroll in two subsequent 3 credit courses for a total of 6 credits over one year; SOC 475 Senior Seminar (Capstone) and a 3 credit SOC 485 Independent Study will be the ordinary sequence, but if necessary the courses can be taken in the reversed order.

The prerequisites for obtaining permission to pursue the Honors in Sociology option are: the student must be a declared Sociology major in Junior or Senior standing, have a GPA in all concluded sociology classes of a minimum of 3.5, and have a written agreement with a faculty member, who will act as the advisor. In the first term, the student will prepare a study plan and literature review for an independent research project; at the end of the term, this work must be presented to a committee of at least three faculty members who will together determine the grade.

The prerequisites for pursuing the second term of the honors option include: an "A" in the first term, a GPA in all concluded sociology classes of a minimum of 3.5, and written permission by the advisor. In the second semester, the student will conduct the proposed research project and report her/his findings (the report will ordinarily be a written paper, but can be supplemented by presentations in other media – an exhibition, a film, etc.). At the end of the term, this work must be presented to a committee of at least three faculty members who will together determine the grade. The grade "A" for the work in the second term will be recognized on the student's transcript as "Graduating with Honors in Sociology".