

Center for Academic Excellence: University Honors Program

Honors Option Form

(This form allows an Honors student, with a 3.3 GPA or above, enrolled in a regular course to convert it to an Honors course and receive Honors credit. Simply adding reading assignments and course projects does not necessarily satisfy the requirements for Honors credit. The Honors Option should provide the student with an opportunity to think carefully and critically about course content and format, resulting in an enriched academic experience. Possible examples of student activities include: greater and more intensive out-of-class interaction with the instructor, projects/experiments not part of the regular course, case studies, student presentation(s) to the class, and tutoring of peers. For additional guidance on what constitutes Honors work, please see the CAE's website at <http://www.marshall.edu/cae>.)

Student's Name _____ MUID _____
Student's Degree Program _____ Semester/Year _____
Student's Phone Number/Email _____ Date _____
Course Number _____ Credit Hours _____ Instructor _____

(While Honors seminars are 4 credit-hour courses, many Honors-options are 3 hours. This form must be completed within the first two weeks of the semester. The course may not revert to non-Honors status without the instructor's permission and any change must occur before week six of the term.)

Please attach responses to the following:

1. Describe the nature of the Honors-level activities that will supplement the regular coursework and how it will enhance that coursework.
2. Describe why you think these activities constitute Honors work and discuss how they will enrich your academic experience.
3. Briefly describe requirements and methods of evaluation for Honors Option credit.
4. Honors work depends on regular contact between the student and the professor to assess the progress of the project. Describe the agreement made regarding the requirement.

ABOVE TERMS AGREED TO:

Student Date

Instructor Date

APPROVAL:

Chair/Department (of the course being H-optional) Date

Chair/Honors Council Date

Each signatory should keep a photocopy. Please return original to CAE (230 OM), where it will be retained in the student's file. The Honors Council Chair files a copy of the form with the Registrar at the completion of the term of study.
