

Honors College Curricular Advising

Students must complete **24 approved credit-hours** to *Graduate with University Honors through the Honors College*, which is a distinction noted on their transcripts along with their college degree completion. For many Honors students, as much as 15 of these credits can be earned in courses that are required in the General Education curriculum. As seen below, that scenario would entail FYS100H and potentially 12 hours of departmental, honors-designated courses that fulfill General Education requirements.

Honors Seminar Requirements (12 hrs.)

Generally, this half is the least flexible side of the curriculum—though we’re expanding options.

- FYS 100H – First Year Seminar (3 hours)
- HON 200 – Second Year Seminar (3 hours, Spring ONLY)
- HON 480 – Upper Division Seminar (2 x 3 hours)
- NOTE: We are permitting 3 hours of either of the following *Experiential and Collaborative Learning* courses to substitute for one HON 480 seminar.
 - HON 300 – Honors Peer Mentoring
 - HON 483 – TEDxMarshallU Honors Internship

General Honors Requirements (12 hrs.)

There are a range of options, but these credits are generally easiest to complete during a student’s first 2 years.

- Honors-designated departmental courses (e.g. ANT 201H, CMM 104H, etc.), which are typically General Education courses (see below)
- Additional HON 480 seminars
- Experiential and Collaborative Learning Courses*:
 - HON 300 or HON 483 (if not counted as above)
 - Honors Oracle (HON 484)
- Steering Committee of the Honors College Student Association (HON 488)
- Honors Option Contract (non-Honors course)
- Up to **6** of General Honors credits can be **waived** for:
 - AP/DC/IB credits earned in high school.
 - Study abroad.

Notes:

- No more than 6 hours of Honors Curriculum requirements can be waived for any reason.
- Students must earn a “C” or better in a course to receive Honors credit.
- All HON courses (except HON 200) require permission from the college for registration. Students are invited to Honors Advising sessions held the week before Priority Registration to request permission.
- To enhance the likelihood of completing the Honors curriculum and graduating through the Honors College, we recommend students complete FYS100H, HON200, and all 12 General Honors credits completed before they begin their third year—especially if they are in a 3+ program.
- Although most honors-designated, departmental courses have a PR of “Admitted Honors College,” these courses are staffed and scheduled by individual academic departments. The Honors College happily consults in this process. but do not determine offerings. You can find a complete list all Honors approved courses each semester on the Honors College website under “Current Students.”
These are honors-designated sections of **General Education** courses offered in Fall 2022:

- ANT201H
- BSC120H
- CMM104H
- ENG200H
- HST102H
- MTH140H
- MTH229H
- MUS142H
- PHL200H
- PSY201H
- SOC200H

- The Honors College is not a degree-granting college. Completion of the Honors Curriculum is determined through audit done by the college prior to a student's graduation and communicated directly to the Registrar. 2164
- All incoming first-year students receive comprehensive Honors College advising during our First-Year Check-In sessions in September and October.

To continue in the Honors College, a student must:

- Be enrolled full-time in a bachelor's degree program.
- Maintain an overall GPA of 3.30 or higher at the end of each semester. If a student's GPA falls below 3.30, they are given a semester of academic probation to return to good standing or face dismissal. The college permits an overall GPA of at least 3.00 in a student's *first* semester and will allow a maximum of *two* semesters of probation to achieve a 3.30 or higher.
- Complete a minimum of 6 hours of Honors credit in their first year at Marshall, not including any waived credits for AP/DC/IB.
- Complete HON200 by the end of their second year at Marshall, which is offered only in Spring semester.
- Complete at least 3 honors credits each academic year until they have completed the full 12 hours of General Honors requirements.