Today’s Agenda

- Your Honors Facilitator presents:
  
  The Honors Program

- Honors Designations
- Honors Program Opportunities
- Honors Advising
- Q & A
Honors Learning Experiences

- Track your experiences
- Plan what you want to accomplish

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Track Your Honors Learning Experiences

- Honors Seminars
- Honors Sections
- Honors Colloquia
- Honors Research
- Honors Explorations
- Honors Travel

Honors Participation Requirement

- Full Honors Learning Experiences
- Summer Honors Learning Experiences are not required in the summer, however, a summer Honors Learning Experience can be taken if the total number of credit hours earned is less than 12. A total of 12 credit hours earned is required for the following fall semester.

- Study abroad (semester programs)
- Student teaching (licensure for STT 399)
- Full-year seminar or Professional Development School Internship
- Field-based semesters for Special Education majors (not practicum)
- Full-time internship (12 credit hours)
- Full-time clinical rotations (Medical Lab Science major)
Possible Graduation Designations

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Honors Program Graduation Designations

**Honors Program Scholar**
- Participation in the Honors Program allows students to work with the special "Honors Program Scholar" designation. The designation is earned by students who participate in the Honors Program and who receive a "B" in all major courses.
- There is no application process to obtain the designation. Students are awarded the designation automatically upon completion of the requirements.
- Requirements:
  - Students must be enrolled in the Honors Program for at least one semester.
  - Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5.
  - Students must complete at least 12 credits in courses approved by the Honors Program.
  - Students must participate in at least one Honors Program activity during their junior year.

**Honors in the Major**
- The Honors Program seeks to facilitate a personalized learning experience for Honors students in their disciplines by offering the opportunity for students to engage in Honors education and to have Honors Learning Experiences in upper division classes.
- Benefits to Students:
  - Students engage in an enriched and expanded learning experience.
  - Students develop as scholars and gain an edge over their peers by choosing a rigorous program in their field of study.
  - Students demonstrate independent research or creative productivity directly related to their major in a culminating project.
  - The designation "Honors in the Major" will be noted in the Commencement Booklet and on the student's transcript and diploma.
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**University Graduation Recognition**
- Cum Laude: Cumulative GPA between 3.85 - 3.99, White cords to wear at Commencement
- Magna Cum Laude: Cumulative GPA between 3.00 - 3.85, Lavender cords to wear at Commencement
- Summa Cum Laude: Cumulative GPA between 3.90 - 4.0, Gold cords to wear at Commencement

Illinois State University HONORS PROGRAM
Honors Program Designations

Honors Program Scholar

- Earn a minimum 3.3 cumulative GPA at the time of graduation
- Participate in the Honors Program a \textit{minimum} of 3 semesters
- Successfully complete a \textit{minimum} of 3 Honors Learning Experiences
- Continue to complete 1 Honors Learning Experience each semester in the Honors Program through graduation
Honors Program Designations

Honors Program Scholar

• Awarded automatically to qualifying students
• Recognized in the Commencement Book and transcript
• Students wear a red cord at Commencement
Honors Program Designations

Honors in the Major

• Specific criteria for each major available on the Honors website

• General framework is the same for everyone:
  ▪ Earn a minimum 3.3 cumulative GPA at the time of graduation
  ▪ Earn a minimum 3.5 major GPA at the time of graduation
  ▪ Complete one Honors Learning Experience each semester in Honors through graduation
  ▪ Successfully complete the Honors Learning Experiences specified by the Department/School
Honors Program Designations: Honors in the Major

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Honors Program Designations: Honors in the Major

Honors in the Major: CSD

- 2 Honors Learning Experiences in CSD
  - Honors Contracts in two 300 level CSD classes
- Honors Capstone
  - Honors Independent Study: CSD 299 for 3 credit hours, OR
  - Honors Thesis: HON 395 for 3 credit hours
Honors Program Designations: **Honors in the Major**

**Honors Liaisons** = Honors resource in your major

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**Honors Liaisons**

Every Department/School has an Honors Liaison, often faculty or an advisor, who can guide students in how they can incorporate their Honors Learning Experiences into their major requirements. Liaisons are a great resource for students, especially when considering pursuing Honors Research.

**College of Applied Science and Technology**

- **Agriculture**
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  - Michelle Kibler
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- **Criminal Justice Sciences**
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  - David Lane
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- **Family & Consumer Sciences**
  - Luke Russell
    - ltruss@illinoisstate.edu
Honors Program Graduation Designations

- Good Standing
  - Probation or Suspension is not Good Standing
- Be aware of Suspension in your last semester
  - Must complete an HLE to return to Good Standing
    - Even if you would normally not have to complete an HLE (less than full time, student teaching, etc.)
Laude designations

- **Cum Laude**
  - Cumulative GPA between **3.65 - 3.79**
  - *White* cords to wear at Commencement

- **Magna Cum Laude**
  - Cumulative GPA between **3.80 - 3.89**
  - *Lavender* cords to wear at Commencement

- **Summa Cum Laude**
  - Cumulative GPA between **3.90 - 4.0**
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What's Next?

Honors Illinois Student may be coming to a close, but your Honors career is just getting started.

Be a Scholar
- The Honors Learning Experience is required each semester.
- If you're looking for honors exclusive courses, see the Honors Catalog Home on the Honors website and the 10th day of classes.
- Investigate honors seminars, opportunities, and events to which you're invited.
- Look for ways to share the products of your learning experience, such as presenting at the annual Honors Research Symposium.

Be a Leader
- Opportunities to lead and participate within the Honors Program for the 2023-2024 academic year will be announced in the spring.
- Stay tuned for details regarding the application process.
- The leadership opportunities are anticipated to be announced in the spring.
- Stay tuned for more information on how to participate in the Honors Program online.

Be a Voice
- Encourage your friends to consider the Honors Program by telling them about Honors.
- Share ideas and suggestions with the Honors Program by sending Honors@uiuc.edu or stopping by the office.

Be an Explorer
- Participate in a study abroad program.
- Travel with Honors and explore through Honors Alternative Spring Breaks in non-Honors Study-Abroad.
- Explore the unique honors available through our innovative Honors Program.

Be a Fan
- Follow us on social media. Look for us on Facebook under "Honors Illinois Student Program" and @illinois_honors on Twitter.

Be a Graduate
- Review the requirements for Honors Designations and apply in advance.
- Designations are designated.

The Nest
Honors students and their families made possible The Nest, part of the Honors Program. The Nest is open Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm.
Honors Program Opportunities

Graham Cracker Challenge

- Friday, December 2
  - 6 - 8 pm
  - Honors Program Building
- Limited spots available
  - 16 teams of 5
Student Leadership Team

- Honors Peer Mentors, Community Assistants, and EDI Mentors
- Paid positions
- Spring application process
- Watch for announcement on the listserv or email honors@ilstu.edu for more information
Honors Peer Mentor Spotlight
Honors Advising

What could I discuss with my advisor now?

- Long-term academic planning
- Initial review of personalized plan of study
- Summer classes/transfer credit
- Involvement
- Study Abroad
- Scholarships
Honors Advising

Spring 2023

• Primary advisor: Honors
• Advising appointments begin in early February
  ▪ Summer registration starts on February 13
• Apply to a major/minor in My Illinois State in February
• Fall registration starts on March 27
Honors Advising

Fall 2023 & beyond

• Primary advisor: Department/School Advisor

• Honors Advisor available for Honors-specific questions and general assistance/advice