

# Registration Ready Event

Tuesday, October 7, 2 – 4:30 pm, HPB 114

- ▶ Drop in event
- ▶ Schedule planning tips
- ▶ Navigating registration
- ▶ Class related questions
- ▶ Student Center Academic Progress

# Today's Agenda

► Your Honors Facilitator presents:

*Honors Learning Experiences*

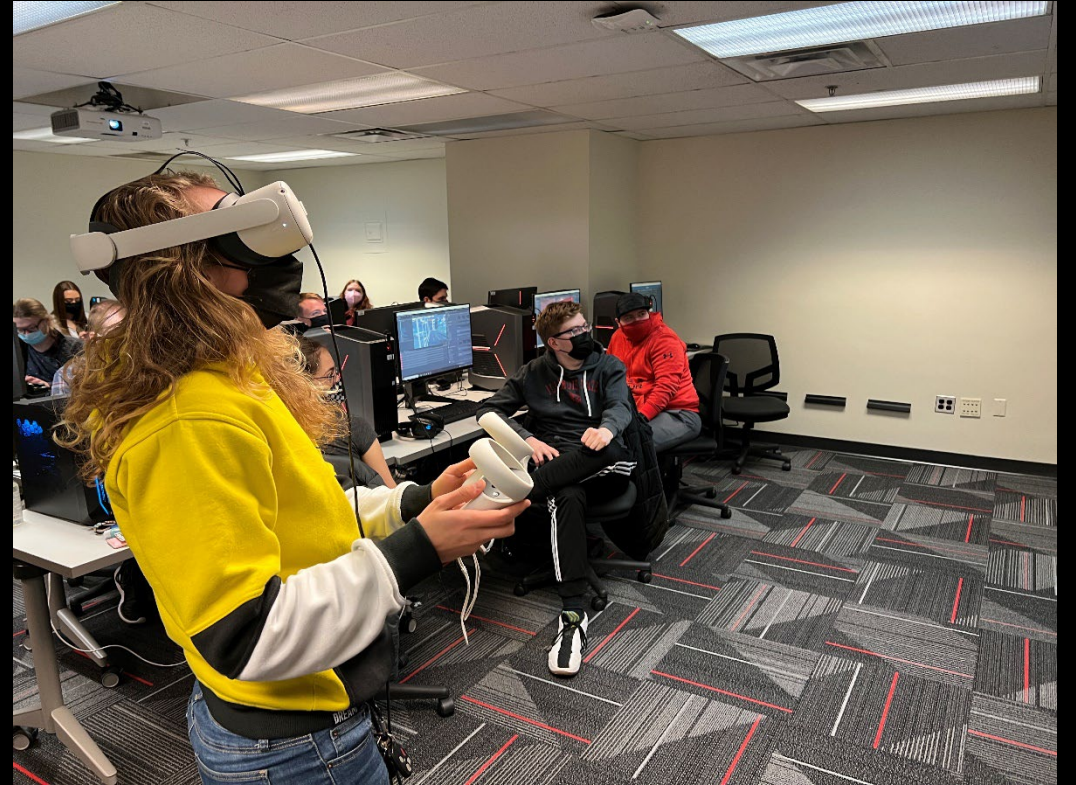
- Explorations
- Travel





# Honors Explorations

- ▶ Not a class you “register” for; no credit hours or grade
- ▶ The topics are interdisciplinary & innovative



Virtual Reality



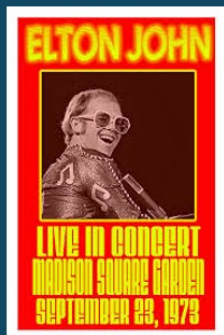
# Honors Explorations

- ▶ Small size; no more than 25 students
- ▶ Explorations meet 5 times for 2 hours
- ▶ Attendance and participation is required at all sessions



## Elton John

Ava, Alison, Annalise, Sabrina, Olivia



Music in the Cold War –  
Elton John presentation.

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# Honors Explorations

## ► Typical assignments/expectations:

- Readings before class
- Short reflections to prepare for discussions
- Culminating project/presentation



A Quick Dive into the World of Coffee



# Honors Explorations

- ▶ Complete an interest form: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice
- ▶ Students are notified if they have a spot in the Exploration or if they are on the wait list
- ▶ Due to high demand, priority is given to students who have not taken many Explorations
- ▶ **Honors Contact: Crystal Lannin,  
cdlanni@ilstu.edu**



# Honors Explorations: **Spring 2026**

- ▶ Be the Change: How to be an Agent of Change in Your Life and Your Community
- ▶ Delving the Mind's Dungeon: Social and Psychological Outcomes of Dungeons and Dragons
- ▶ Surf's Up: The History and Culture of Waveriding
- ▶ From Bean to Brew: An Introduction to Specialty Coffee
- ▶ Music Fandom, Belonging, & Identity
- ▶ Make Art, Stress Less
- ▶ Honors Service Exploration: Midwest Food Bank



# Honors Explorations

Mark your  
calendars, set your  
alarms....

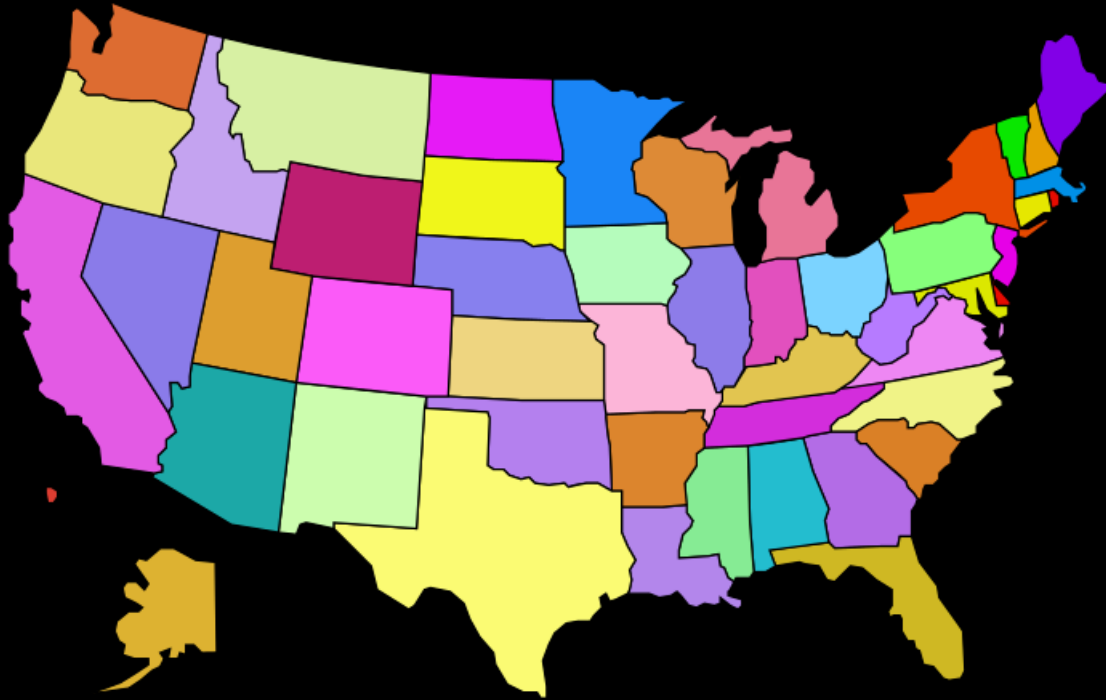
7 am on  
Wednesday,  
November 5







# Honors Travel



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# Honors Travel: Honors Study in the States

- ▶ Partnership with the Honors Program, Campus Recreation, and Outdoor Adventure
- ▶ Program Components
  - Mandatory pre-trip meetings
  - Travel over Spring Break
  - Leadership development and building community
  - Counts as a spring Honors Learning Experience

## **Honors Travel: Honors Study in the States**

- ▶ Spring 2026: Cumberland Island and Savannah, GA
- ▶ Friday, March 6 – Sunday 15, 2026
- ▶ Application deadline: November 1
- ▶ Trip highlights
  - Camping
  - Mammoth Cave National Park in Kentucky
  - Whitewater rafting; Turtle rehab center
  - Explore Cumberland Island and Savannah

# Honors Travel: Honors Study in the States

## Honors Study in the States Info Session

Tuesday, September 30, 5 – 6 pm, Honors Program  
Building 113





# Honors Travel: Study Abroad

- ▶ Travel over Spring Break or mid-May
- ▶ Honors Travel Components:
  - Mandatory pre-trip meetings
  - Travel = 8 – 12 days
  - Honors Section Options = IDS 121 or HON 299
  - Assignments



South Africa



Galapagos Islands



# Honors Travel 2026 Spring Break

- ▶ **Environment and Culture in Costa Rica:**
  - **Saturday, March 7 – Sunday, March 15, 2026 (tentative)**
- ▶ Application deadline: October 13 (priority); final deadline November 1
- ▶ Pre-trip meetings in Spring 2026
- ▶ Spring 2026 Class: IDS 121a14 or HON 299





# Honors Travel 2026 Spring Break



- **Walking tour of San José**
- **Boat tour of Caño Negro Wildlife Refuge**
- **La Fortuna Waterfall and Santa Elena Cloud Rain Forest**
- **Aerial tram ride and ziplining**



# Honors Travel Spring Break 2026

## Costa Rica Info Session

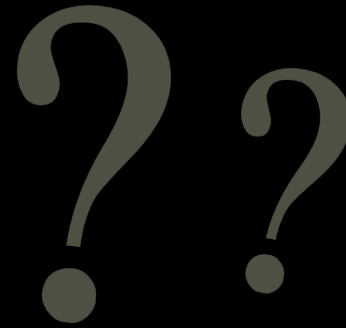
Thursday, October 9, 6 – 7 pm, Honors Program  
Building

Contact Dr. Clemmons for information on cost.





# Honors Peer Mentor Spotlight



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