

Leadership



Research





Service and Civic Engagement





Community



Honors Courses



22 Credit Hours

HON 1010 (1 credit hour) Lower-Division (15 credit hours)

Options:

- Courses
- Recitations
- Special Topics
- Experiential Learning
- Contracts

Upper-Division (6 credit hours)

Options:

- Colloquia
- Honors Upper Division in the Major
- Directed Study
- Distinction in the Major (ChemE)
- Honors Thesis

Small Honors Courses

>Honors courses in various departments, including but not limited to offerings in General Education and in other courses, such as business management, programming for engineers, Honors special topics courses, and cell biology.*

Honors Recitations/Seminars –

- A <u>zero</u> credit-hour course option offered over 3 disciplines: Chemistry, Math, and Physics.
- Students and the professor meet for 1 hour a week.
- This must be taken concurrently with the regular lectures and labs.

Honors Contracts

>If an Honors section of a course does not exist, students may propose an individualized **Honors Contract**:

- --The Honors Contract lets you work with a professor to devise a special project as a supplement to a regular course.
- --The Honors Contract form shows you the steps to take in planning with your professor.
- --Proposals must be submitted to Honors by the announced deadline (**Monday**, **April 20** for Fall semester).
- --Students are eligible to earn credit by contract after successfully completing their first semester in Honors.

 Honors contracts can help you explore your interests in a certain field, and maybe even discover new ones!

Honors Experiential Learning



Honors Leadership Development Seminar

- A 1 credit-hour course focused on assisting students in developing and honing their leadership skills. Offered only in Spring.
- Students work closely with Dr. Barnes to develop a realistic plan to implement change in an organization (scaled to the scope of Honors)
- If you have an interest in leadership or becoming a better leader, then this course is a good match for you!
- Note: This course IS available to freshmen, so keep it in mind when you register for Spring classes!

Honors Directed Study

>Honors Directed Study (an independent study under the supervision of a qualified faculty member)

- A good way to bring disparate interests together and discover connections between them
- Also an opportunity to explore fields you're passionate about that are outside of your major

Honors Upper Division in the Major

>Honors Upper Division in the Major (an individually approved honors experience in departmental capstone, thesis, practicum, senior design, or advanced research, or senior seminar)

>Chemical Engineering Distinction in the Major (ChemE majors only by arrangement with a supervising research mentor)

Honors Colloquium

Upper-division 3 cr. 4000-level Honors course on a topic not taught at Tech. Each colloquium is a unique experience offered only to Honors Students!







Past Honors Colloquia

Here are the names of some colloquia we've offered in the past!

Climate Change and the Collapse of Civilizations

The American Frontier and Popular Culture

The Science of Breadmaking

The Science of Hunger

Engineering and Social Justice

Human Anatomy and Visual Art

Honors FAQs

Are the Honors classes harder?

No, Honors courses are more in-depth and smaller to foster discussion.

Honors offers Experiential Learning and Honors Contracts to earn credit even if you can't fit a traditional Honors course into your schedule.

What if I don't need or can't fit in any of the Honors classes?

How will Honors make a difference in my research opportunities?

Honors offers Getting Started in Research groups for learning more about opportunities on campus and assistance finding a research mentor. You can also present your research at a national or state-level Honors conference.

You have access to our Honors Faculty Liaisons which are advocates in each department who are familiar with Honors and departmental opportunities.

How will Honors help me in my major?

How will being in Honors help me in my career after I graduate?

Graduates of Honors cite the Program as contributing to their development as leaders and thinkers. Employers and graduate schools welcome Tech Honors alumni for their abilities and experiences.

Honors Housing – Murphy Hall



ASG – The Associated Scholars Guild



Several interest-based committees

Your Honors student organization (Run by Honors students, for Honors students)



What is an Honors Permit?

- We use an electronic permit process to ensure that Honors classes are available to as many eligible students as possible.
- Only Honors students can register for Honors Courses.
- Honors students request their own permits.
 - o You're not yet guaranteed to get in. But we prioritize Honors students who need the class for their Honors graduation, and who have been making regular progress toward graduating *in cursu honorum*. This helps everyone keep on track.

How to Request Permits (in 5 easy steps)

- 1. View the Honors Course List on the Honors website(insert link)
- 2. Choose any Honors courses you want to take in addition to HON 1010. Make a note of your top three choices.
- 3. Request permits for those courses on the Fall 2020 Honors SOAR Permit Request Form sent out with the course lists
- 4. If, at any point, you want to change your Honors course preferences, submit another request using the form with your updated choices.
- 5. If you need any help with rearranging your schedule, you can get in contact with our team of expert Big Sibs here: https://calendly.com/honorsscheduling/





We know that transitioning to college comes with a lot of challenges and questions.

And you may be feeling lost and overwhelmed by the situation, or even frustrated.

But maybe all you need to get closer to solving your problem is a different perspective!

So why not make an appointment with Dr. Barnes?



You can sit in the blue comfy chair in her office and ask any questions that you might have.

She will listen to what you have to say and will help you consider your options.

So just send Dr.
Barnes an email at:
ritabarnes@tntech.edu

Include 3 possible meeting times and a brief description of the meeting topic.

Everyone is welcome!

Also, if you have any questions regarding Honors Housing, ASG, or Civic Engagement...



... You should make an appointment with Mrs. Roberts!

Just send an email to:

lrroberts@tntech.edu

You can sit in her green comfy chair and get some answers!