

Universal Honors Experience

Students are required to participate in a semester long honors experience each term. An array of choices will be provided each term. Some of these options will be for academic credit, and others will not bear any credit. Honors students are required to complete at least one credit hour of universal honors experience credit for each year in the program.

During those semesters when a student is not engaged in a for credit experience, the student should be enrolled in one of the noncredit options. HON101, HON200, HON201 and HON301 will all count toward the universal honors experience requirement.

The following choices will be available:

- 1) HON 101 will serve as the universal honors experience for incoming first year students who enroll in the fall
- 2) One or two HON 201s will continue to be available based on the present model. Within the context of the present model, a 201 focuses on public speaking such as would be appropriate for a conference talk or presentation of a student's senior thesis. Enrollment preference for this section will be given to seniors, and then juniors.
- 3) A two credit hour HON 301 pass fail course will satisfy the African American Experience general education requirement. This course will center on volunteer work in the Cleveland Schools.
- 4) Currently, HON 200s are a non credit universal honors experience. They can consist of:
 - A. A supper and/or lunch club that will meet at least 8 times during the semester and is coordinated by a faculty member, who will invite speakers to each meeting. Enrollment preference will be given to juniors. Each section would contain a mixture of continuing honors students and students who joined the program as juniors. Membership in each club would be limited to 20.
 - B. A performance/seminar club. The faculty coordinator in conjunction with students would select 5 to 10 plays and/or seminars that all students in the group would attend during the semester. Students would also have 5 to 10 (or more) lunch meetings during the term, probably to be scheduled during the common hour, with discussion facilitated by the faculty coordinator.
 - C. Students may propose another type of universal honors experience one month (or more) prior to the start of any term. The proposal must:
 - i. have a faculty sponsor,
 - ii. involve approximately 20 honors students,
 - iii. support campus events or activities in the larger community,
 - iv. if upper division students are involved, then the experience must provide an opportunity for interaction among continuing and new honors students,
 - v. And, provide an opportunity for community and interchange of ideas among participating students.

For current universal honors courses, please visit:

http://www.csuohio.edu/honors/courses_page.htm

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