HONORS (HONR)

Explanation of Course Numbers

- Courses in the 1000s are primarily introductory undergraduate courses
- Those in the 2000s to 4000s are upper-division undergraduate courses that can also be taken for graduate credit with permission and additional work
- Those in the 6000s and 8000s are for master’s, doctoral, and professional-level students
- The 6000s are open to advanced undergraduate students with approval of the instructor and the dean or advising office

HONR 1015. Honors Seminar: UW 1020: Origins and Evolution of Modern Thought. 3 Credits.
Exploration of significant exemplars, milestones, and developments of human thought. Foundational and representative thinkers and texts from Western and Eastern traditions provide an indication of the diversity and complexity of attempts to articulate responses to universal questions, problems, and aspirations.

HONR 1016. Honors Seminar: Origins and Evolution of Modern Thought. 3 Credits.
Continuation of HONR 1015. Key developments and trajectories in human thought and inquiry into modern times.

HONR 1033. Honors Seminar: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery. 4 Credits.
Using an inquiry-based approach, students learn to identify hidden regularities and patterns in nature that may indicate fundamental unifying principles and laws. The scientific method; evaluation of scientific information; limitations of the scientific process; development of a scientific hypothesis. Tools and methodologies of geology, chemistry, physics, biology, anthropology, and other disciplines.

HONR 1034. Honors Seminar: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery. 4 Credits.
Continuation of HONR 1033. Using an inquiry-based approach, students learn to identify hidden regularities and patterns in nature that may indicate fundamental unifying principles and laws. The scientific method; evaluation of scientific information; limitations of the scientific process; development of a scientific hypothesis. Tools and methodologies of geology, chemistry, physics, biology, anthropology, and other disciplines.

HONR 1120. Introduction to Biomolecular Research. 2 Credits.
Research methods in the studies of proteins and DNA; exploration of faculty research to help prepare students for conducting their own research. Prerequisite or concurrent registration: BISC 1115 and BISC 1125. Permission of the instructor is required. Laboratory fee.

HONR 2016. Enlightenment East & West. 4 Credits.
This course replaces HONR 1016 for students who enter the Honors Program as sophomores.
HONR 2053W. Arts and Humanities Seminar. 3 Credits.
Exploration of the ways in which cultures are defined and
understood through artistic expression; how particular
cultures value and critique these forms of personal and social
expression. Topics vary by semester. Includes a significant
engagement in writing as a form of critical inquiry and scholarly
expression to satisfy the WID requirement. May be repeated
for credits provided the topic differs. See program for more
details.

HONR 2054. Arts and Humanities Seminar. 3 Credits.
How cultures are defined and understood through various
forms of artistic expression, including poetry, prose literature,
drama, film, painting, sculpture, architecture, dance, and
music; how particular cultures value and critique these forms of
personal and social expression. Topics vary by semester. May
be repeated for credits provided the topic differs. Consult the
Schedule of Classes for more details.

HONR 2054W. Arts and Humanities Seminar. 3 Credits.
Using an array of artistic forms, including poetry, prose
literature, drama, film, painting, sculpture, architecture, dance,
and music, students explore the ways in which cultures are
defined and understood through artistic expression and how
particular cultures value and critique these forms of personal
and social expression. Includes a significant engagement in
writing as a form of critical inquiry and scholarly expression
to satisfy the WID requirement. Topics vary by semester. May
be repeated for credits provided the topic differs. Consult the
program for more details.

HONR 2175. Honors Special Topics. 0-6 Credits.
Topics vary by semester. May be repeated for credit provided
topic differs. See department for more details.

HONR 2182. Honors Internship. 0-4 Credits.
The Honors Program allows credit to Honors students for
academic work that puts an internship in a broader scholastic
context. Each student must have a GW faculty member oversee
his or her project. The Honors internship faculty member
determines the student’s grade. May be repeated for credit.

HONR 2184. Honors Undergraduate Research. 0-4 Credits.
Independent or faculty-mentored research resulting in a
significant written or other product. May be repeated for credit.

HONR 2185. Honors Research Assistantship. 0-4 Credits.
Students provide substantive assistance to a faculty member
engaged in scholarly or scientific research. May be repeated for
credit.

HONR 4198. Honors Senior Thesis. 3-4 Credits.
One- or two-semester thesis under faculty guidance. May be
repeated for credit.

HONR 4199. Honors Capstone Experience. 1 Credit.
Students re-engage with core questions and issues related to
the Honors Program curriculum, reflecting on their learning in
relation to enduring questions and challenges of our world.