The Arts and Sciences Honors Committee expects all honors students to develop distinguished curricular programs. Each student’s program should reflect a commitment to taking the most challenging possible courses that fit the student’s background. This document defines the general standards for rigor in an Arts and Sciences Honors Program, along with basic opportunities for flexibility in pursuing that objective.

Writing 6 hours

First Course (3 hours)

English 1110.01 or 1110.02 (honors version recommended)

Second Course (3 hours)

Art Education 2367.01H
Communication 2367H
Comparative Studies 2367.08H
Dance 2367H
Engineering 2367.01H
English 2367.01H, 2367.02H, 2367.03H, 2367.05H
Landscape Architecture 2367E
Linguistics 2367.01H
Sociology 2367.01H
Theatre 2367.01H

Quantitative and Logical Skills 7-10 hours

Basic Computational Skills (0 hours)

You must have Mathematics Placement Level R or higher, or complete Mathematics 1075.

Mathematical and Logical Analysis (5 hours)

Mathematics 1151, 1156, 1161, 1181H, 4181H

Data Analysis

Course work is taken as part of the major program or as prerequisite work.

Language Proficiency 0-12 hours

Course work or proficiency through 1103 is required, and further study is strongly recommended.

Natural Science 10 hours (at least 3 courses)

Plan to take the most rigorous course work commensurate with your background and ability, honors courses if appropriate. You are required to take at least one course in the biological sciences with a lab and at least one course in the physical sciences with a lab. AP/IB/EM credit for one course may be applied to this requirement.

Biological Science Courses

Animal Sciences 3140E
Anthropology 2200H, 3300, 3301, 5602, 5614
Biology 1113E, 1113E2, 1113H, 1114H, 1114E1, 1114H2
Entomology 4440H
Evolution, Ecology, and Organismal Biology 3310H

Horticulture and Crop Science 2201E1, 2202E1
Microbiology 4000.01H, 4000.02H
Molecular Genetics 3300H, 3436, 4500E

Physical Science Courses

Earth Sciences 1121H, 1122H, 4194H
Geography 1900H
Physics 1200H, 1201H, 1250H, 1251H

1 course with a laboratory

Social Science 6 hours (at least 2 courses)

Appropriate courses include any courses with a social/political/economic emphasis at the 4000 level and above (except courses numbered 4597) from the departments listed below, as well as the honors courses listed. No AP/IB/EM credit may be applied to this category.

African-American and African Studies
Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics 2001H
Anthropology 2201H, 2202H
Architecture 2220H
Communication 1102H
Economics 2001.03H, 2002.03H, 4050H, 4700H
Geography 2400H, 2750H, 3600H, 3901H
International Studies 2250H, 2500H, 2800H, 3700H, 4700H
Linguistics 3701H
Political Science 1100H, 1165H, 1200H, 2150H, 2400H, 3310H, 3596H, 4250H
Psychology 1100H, 3325H, 3331H, 3335E, 3340H, 3371H, 3550H, 3551H, 4508H
Social Work 1130H
Sociology 1101H, 2367.01H, 3410H, 3463H
Speech and Hearing Science 3330H
Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 1110H, 2296H

Historical Study 3 hours

Select one course. Choose any appropriate 3000- or 4000-level course from the Department of History or a course from the list below. No AP/IB/EM credit may be applied to this category.

African-American and African Studies 3081, 3083, 3086, 3089, 3304, 3308, 3320, 4557
Classics 2211E, 3215
Economics 4130, 4140, 5130, 5140
Engineering 5797.13
English 3273
History 2001H, 2002H, 2204H, 2221E, 2610H, 2750H, 3213H
Jewish Studies 3110, 3450, 3455, 3460, 3465, 3470, 3505
Microbiology 3704, 3708.05
Political Science 4123
Religious Studies 3680
Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 4401
Literature 3 hours

Appropriate courses include any courses with a focus on literature at the 4000 level and above (except courses numbered 4597) from the departments listed below, as well as the honors courses listed. No AP/IB/EM credit may be applied to this category.

- African-American and African Studies 4584H
- Arabic 2702H
- Chinese
- Classics 1101H, 2194H‡, 2200H, 2221E
- Comparative Studies 1100H, 2101H, 2103H, 2104H, 2194H‡, 2864H, 3603H
- Education: Teaching and Learning 3356E
- English 2201H, 2202H, 2220H, 2260H, 2261H, 2280H, 2367.02H
- French
- German 2252H
- Hebrew 2700H
- History 2221E
- Italian
- Japanese
- Jewish Studies 2700H, 2702H
- Korean
- Latin
- Medieval and Renaissance Studies
- Modern Greek
- Near Eastern Languages and Cultures
- Persian
- Philosophy 2900H‡
- Polish
- Portuguese
- Russian 2250H
- Sanskrit
- Scandinavian
- Slavic Languages and Literatures
- Spanish 3450H
- Turkish
- Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 2296H‡, 2702H
- Yiddish

Visual and Performing Arts 3 hours

Appropriate courses include any courses with a focus on the visual, spatial, or performing arts at the 4000 level and above (except courses numbered 4597) from the departments listed below, as well as the honors courses listed. No AP/IB/EM credit may be applied to this category.

- Art 2100E, 2300E, 2502E, 2526E, 2555H, 3201H
- Art Education 2367.01H
- Chinese
- Comparative Studies 3607H
- English 4578H
- Film Studies 4670H
- French
- German 3254H
- Italian
- Japanese
- Jewish Studies
- Korean
- Landscape Architecture 2600E
- Music
- Philosophy 2470H, 2900H‡
- Physics 3201H
- Russian
- Scandinavian
- Slavic Languages and Literatures
- Spanish
- Theatre 2100H, 2101H, 2341H
- Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 2296H‡

Cultures and Ideas (or Second Historical Study) 3 hours

Appropriate courses include any courses with a focus on cultures and ideas at the 4000 level and above (except courses numbered 4597) from the departments listed below, as well as the honors courses listed. A course appropriate for the Historical Study requirement (see above) may be selected instead of a Cultures and Ideas course. No AP/IB/EM credit may be applied to this category.

- African-American and African Studies 3342H
- Architecture 2300E, 4596E
- Arts and Sciences 2400E
- Classics 2194H‡, 2201H, 2202H
- Comparative Studies 2350H, 2367.08H, 3302E, 3645H, 3676H
- East Asian Languages and Literatures 3299H
- English 2270H
- French
- German 3353H
- Hebrew 2241H
- History 3213H
- Italian
- Jewish Studies 2242H, 3210H
- Korean
- Landscape Architecture 2300E, 2367E
- Linguistics 2000H
- Medieval and Renaissance Studies
- Modern Greek 2240H
- Near Eastern Languages and Cultures
- Philosophy 1100H, 1300H, 2900H‡ (SP14, SP15, AU16), 3341H
- Portuguese
- Religious Studies 2370H, 3210H, 3872H
- Slavic Languages and Literatures 4520H
- Spanish
- Turkish
- Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 1110H, 2296H‡ (SP16, SP17)

Open Options 6 hours (at least 2 courses)

In consultation with your advisors, select two additional courses. These courses may consist of education abroad courses, service learning courses, cross-disciplinary seminars (e.g., courses numbered 3597 or 4597), or courses from any of the GE categories (except Mathematics 1151 or below). AP/IB/EM credit for up to two courses may be applied to this requirement.

Social Diversity in the United States 0-3 hours

You must complete at least one course that provides exposure to issues of social diversity in the United States. This course may overlap with another GE category or your major.

Global Studies 0-6 hours

You must complete at least two courses that provide exposure to the pluralistic nature of society and culture across the world. Each course may overlap with another GE category or your major.

* Some of the courses included in this guide have not been approved by the committee that oversees the General Education requirements. Therefore if you complete such courses and do not complete an Honors Contract, you will be required to submit a curricular petition to request approval for course substitutions.

‡ This course is a variable topics course, which means that the subject matter of the course will vary from term to term. The content of the course in the term you take it will determine which GE requirement the course will fulfill. Please consult with your honors advisor to determine which GE requirement the course will satisfy.

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