Honors Program at Dominican

The Dominican Honors Program offers a meaningful learner-directed academic experience that promotes the talents and interests of students dedicated to intellectual and personal growth in becoming socially responsible global citizens. The premise of an Honors program education is rooted in Dominican pedagogy—a union of study, community, and reflection in the service of a more just and peaceful world.

Honors Courses

Honors courses at Dominican are taught as small experiential learning seminars that provide a learner-directed and community-engaged alternative to the university-wide core-curriculum requirements.

Requirements

- Maintain a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA
- Complete 20 units of Honors coursework (Continuing students must complete 16 units).
- Complete a Dominican service-learning course
- Complete a digital portfolio
- Complete an Honors co-curricular experience

Benefits

- Students assume leadership roles as representatives on the Honors Board or Student Honors Board to directly shape Honors programming
- Students may register during the first day of priority registration along with senior-year students
- The ceiling of independent study units is waived
- Juniors and seniors may take graduate courses (with instructor permission)
- The Honors Room in the Alemany Library provides additional quiet space for students to work on projects or study
- Students may register for a total of 6 units of overload without an additional fee while enrolled at Dominican. This means that a student may register for over 18 units (up to a maximum of 22 units) in one semester. To be eligible for this benefit, the student should have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. First-year and first semester honors students are also not permitted to enroll in overload units

Who can apply?

Current students with an overall GPA of 3.5 or higher are invited to contact the Honors Program.

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