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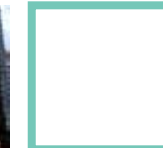
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THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI HONORS COLLEGE CURRICULUM AND REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL HONORS (FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES)

Honors Forum (HON 321/322)

A guest lecture series required both semesters of the freshman year.

20 Honors Hours

Choose Honors sections of the University's General Education Curriculum. Four to six Honors hours are required each semester to ensure completion of all 20 Honors hours by end of sophomore year.

Scholars may not enroll in Honors core classes beyond sophomore year.

Minimum of 16 credit hours are required each semester.

Honors classes may be traditional or active learning format. Students should not enroll in more than one active learning class per semester as these usually involve field trips.

3.25 (or higher) cumulative GPA must be maintained by all Honors students.

SENIOR HONORS (JUNIORS AND SENIORS)

HON 300 Research Forum (required)

Students are encouraged to take this one-hour, pass/fail course prior to enrolling in HON 301. It covers research topics in the humanities, as well as the physical and social sciences, and aims to demystify the prospectus- and thesis-writing processes.

HON 301 Prospectus Writing (or departmental research methods)

A three-hour course taken at least one year prior to anticipated semester of graduation. Students prepare a research proposal in this course.

Honors Research in Major Department (ENG 492H for example)

A three-hour independent study course taken over a period of at least two semesters, rather than three hours in a single semester. Students submit the completed thesis in the semester in which they graduate.

Comprehensive Examination

Students must pass a comprehensive exam in their major discipline.

Students who meet both General and Senior Honors requirements graduate with full Honors and Latin designation.