

# UNIVERSITY HONORS

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The University Honors program at Arkansas Tech University provides an enriched intellectual experience for students of outstanding educational talents and leadership potential. At Arkansas Tech University, the Honors Student will benefit from opportunities to interact with other highly motivated students and outstanding professors in the challenging atmosphere of small, innovative honors classes specially designed to foster rational inquiry, critical thinking, and analytical skills.

The high school student should apply to University Honors as early as possible during the senior year, since the deadline for applications is noon on December 15. Honors Students are selected through a competitive process requiring admission to the Tech, a written essay, and an interview. To be eligible for University Honors, the high school student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher and either be in the top 10% of their high-school graduating class or have an ACT Composite of 27 or higher.

Students in University Honors take special General Education courses which are designed to meet the Student's unique abilities. Sophomores participate in on-campus and community volunteer projects, followed by participation as peer mentors during the junior year. The senior year requires completion of the Senior Honors Project, as well as presentation of project results at an annual Senior Honors Symposium.

Students selected for the University Honors program may receive stipends in addition to any academic scholarships Tech has designated for them.<sup>1</sup> Honors Program Students also have enhanced opportunities, preferred preregistration and housing selection, living in our Honors Living/Learning Community, individually directed study with members of the faculty, and special recognition at commencement. The prescribed curriculum for the University Honors program is provided below.

<sup>1</sup> University Honors stipends are not eligible for Academic Intervention or Summer Earn Back programs.

## Honors Curriculum

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Freshman</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
HONR 1003	Freshman Honors Seminar	3
HIST 1543 or HIST 2043	Honors World History to 1500 or Honors United States History to 1877	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 2183	Honors Introduction to Film	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Sophomore</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ECON 2103	Honors Principles of Economics I	3
Campus Service Component		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3</b>

<b>Spring</b>		
PHIL 2043 or ENGL 2023	Honors Introduction to Philosophy or Honors World Literature	3
Campus Service Component		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Junior</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
Mentor incoming Honors Freshmen		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
Write proposal for the Seniors Honors Project		
ENGL 2023 or PHIL 2043	Honors World Literature or Honors Introduction to Philosophy	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Senior</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
HONR 4093	Senior Honors Project	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
Honor students will present their Senior Honors Projects at the Senior Honors Symposium		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>21</b>