HONORS (HR)

HR 0100 Ideas That Shaped the West

4 Credits

This team-taught lecture/seminar course examines selected ideas or themes from Western intellectual history, focusing on developments in philosophy, society, science, and the arts. The ideas selected vary from course section to course section.

HR 0101 Minds and Bodies

4 Credits

This team-taught lecture/seminar course examines constructions of the human person, and the social reflections of these constructions, in Western culture. The ideas selected vary from course section to course section.

HR 0104 Enduring Questions

3 Credits

This team-taught course explores major questions persistent throughout human history. It provides an interdisciplinary opportunity to ask about the nature of humanity and reality, the meaning and purpose of existence, and the relationship between the individual and the wider world.

HR 0198 Special Topics

3 or 4 Credits

This course offers an in-depth investigation of a significant topic or question, conducted in a seminar format. The professor(s) teaching the course choose(s) the topic. This course is generally limited to first year students, with exceptions made as needed.

HR 0200 Challenges to the Western Tradition

3 Credits

Attributes: UDIV U.S. Diversity

This course examines alternatives to the configuration of knowledge, art, power, and justice in the classical, majority culture of the West by considering critical voices traditionally marginalized in that culture.

HR 0201 Non-Western Culture

3 Credits

Attributes: WDIV World Diversity

This course examines alternatives to the configuration of knowledge, art, power, and justice in the classical, majority culture of the West by investigating the history, worldview, and assumptions of a non-Western culture.

HR 0202 Honors Seminar

3 Credits

This seminar, offered in one of the traditional disciplines, seeks to cultivate the skills of critical thinking, cogent argumentation, and effective writing, all by attending to a particular subject matter. Honors students earn six credits in HR 0202 by completing one version of the seminar in their second year of honors coursework and another version of the seminar in their third year of honors coursework. A complete title, reflecting the seminar's particular subject matter, appears on the student's transcript. Students may not enroll in any section of HR 0202 offered in a discipline in which they major or minor.

HR 0204 Emerging Questions

3 Credits

This course explores new questions emerging in changing modern contexts. It invites students to consider how new paradigms change human relations, how new discoveries change our understanding of the world, and how these changes are shaping our future.

HR 0298 Special Topics

3 Credits

Prerequisite: HR 0100.

This course offers an in-depth investigation of a significant topic or question, conducted in a seminar format. The professor(s) teaching the course choose(s) the topic. This course is generally limited to sophomores, with exceptions made as needed.

HR 0300 Interdisciplinary Inquiry

3 Credits

This team-taught course stresses the value of interdisciplinary approaches to scholarly inquiry by investigating a wide-ranging theme from the perspective of at least two disciplines. Possible themes treated in a given year are progress and its critics, genius and creativity, and the city in the American imagination.

HR 0304 Finding Answers

3 Credits

This team-taught course offers a survey of theories of knowledge, research methodologies, data collection practices, and analytical methods from disciplines across all undergraduate fields. It aims to arm students with a wide array of techniques for engaging in their own original research.

HR 0398 Special Topics

3 Credits

Prerequisite: HR 0200 or HR 0201.

This course offers an in-depth investigation of a significant topic or question, conducted in a seminar format. The professor(s) teaching the course choose(s) the topic. This course is generally limited to juniors, with exceptions made as needed.