

Honors Guild

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Taylor University's Honors Guild is a challenging academic experience for high ability, highly motivated students from across academic disciplines. Students must be selected to be part of the Honors Guild. The Honors Guild seeks to provide an intentional environment where curiosity is nurtured and ideas are examined. The honors curriculum emphasizes the integration of faith and learning, ideas, and values through discussion-based courses, mentoring relationships, global engagement, and student initiative. All students participating in the Honors Guild should register for the honors preceptorial discussion group associated with IAS 110. The Honors Guild functions as an academic minor, but is designed to offer students a four-year experience through diverse course offerings (many of which meet foundational core requirements) and co-curricular programming. Many honors courses are listed in the schedule of classes by the academic areas that offer them and are noted by an "H" after the course number.

Due to the structure of the first year, as well as the intended four-year design, students must apply to the Honors Guild by February 1, prior to their freshman year. Typically, incoming freshmen applying to the program have earned a minimum 3.70 high school GPA and a combined (Math and Reading) SAT score of 1280 or ACT composite score of 28. The application process is competitive due to size limitations. Further information about the Honors Guild, including application procedures, may be obtained by contacting the Director of the Honors Guild.

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The requirements for completion of the Honors Guild includes at least 18 hours and a cumulative GPA of 3.40. A 3-4 credit study abroad course approved by and designated for the Honors Guild during Interterm is required. All courses counting toward the Honors Guild must be completed with a grade of C- or better.

Program Requirements

GBS 130H	3	Introduction to Global Studies
HNR 225	1	Honors Colloquium
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Theology and Philosophy Requirement

Select one additional course from the following:

BIB 210H	3	Biblical Literature II
HNR 370	3-4	Selected Topics (<i>advisor approved</i>)
PHI 121H	3	Society and Philosophy
PHI 413H	3	Contemporary Christian Belief

Arts and Humanities Requirement

Select one additional course from the following:

ENG 230H	3	World Literature
ENG 373H	3	Literature of Diverse Cultures
HNR 264	4	Going Up to Glory: Migration and Voice in African American Lives
HNR 370	3-4	Selected Topics (<i>advisor approved</i>)
HUM 330H	4	Arts and Ideas

Social and Natural Sciences Requirement

Select one additional course from the following:

CHE 120H	4	Forensic Science
COS 321H	3	Ethics and Technology
GBS 325H	3	Peace and Conflict: Peacebuilding and Reconciliation
HNR 270	3-4	Selected Topics (<i>advisor approved</i>)
HNR 370	3-4	Selected Topics (<i>advisor approved</i>)
MAT 220	4	Ways of Knowing
PPE 361H	3	Western Political Thought

Electives

Select at least one additional course to reach the required 18 credits from the following:

HNR 225	1	Honors Colloquium
IAS 340	1-2	Lewis and Related Authors Seminar
IAS 370H	1	Selected Topics (<i>advisor approved</i>)
PHI 382	1-3	Ethics Bowl
SDV 216*	1	Exploring Your Calling
SDV 217*	1	Vocation: Life After Taylor

*A maximum of one course from SDV 216 and SDV 217 may count toward the required 18 credits.

Honors Guild Courses

HNR 120 2 hours

Global Paradigms of Leadership

This seminar style course will explore leadership from diverse, global perspectives. Students will engage leaders and leadership styles from other cultures, studying how the Christian faith integrates into diverse leadership structures.

HNR 170 1-4 hours

Selected Topics

A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering.

HNR 225 1 hour

Honors Colloquium

The Honors colloquium is an interdisciplinary course which brings together a group of like-minded students to discuss a variety of topics with a focus on the year's theme. Requirements for this course include attending a variety of campus lectures and events and engaging in dialogue around "big ideas" in culture, Christianity, and public discourse. Students will have the opportunity to facilitate discussion of a topic of their choosing. *May be repeated for credit.*

HNR 264 4 hours

Going Up to Glory: Migration and Voice in African American Lives

This interdisciplinary course presents an integrative survey of African American literature and history from African origins through the modern civil rights movement. The historical focus is on the three major migrations African Americans have experienced during this period. Literary selections from multiple genres will span these eras and highlight the development and patterns of African American voice. *Meets both the foundational core literature and history requirements. Prerequisite: ENG 110.*

HNR 270 1-4 hours

Selected Topics

A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering.

HNR 360 1-4 hours

Independent Study

An individualized, directed study involving a specified topic.

HNR 370 1-4 hours

Selected Topics

A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering.

HNR 393 1-4 hours

Practicum

Supervised learning involving a first-hand field experience or a project. Generally, one hour of credit is awarded for a minimum of 40 hours of practicum experience. *Offered primarily during Summer.*

HNR 450 1-4 hours

Directed Research

Investigative learning involving closely directed research and the use of such facilities as the library or laboratory.

HNR 480 1-4 hours

Seminar

A limited-enrollment course designed especially for upper-class majors with emphasis on directed readings and discussion.

HNR 490 1-2 hours

Honors

Individualized study or research of an advanced topic within a student's major. *Open to students with at least a 3.00 GPA in the major field.*