

SDSU University Honors Program Requirements

In order to graduate from the program, all students must meet the following 5 requirements:

1. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 by the time you apply for graduation.

2. Complete at least 18 credit hours in courses designated as honors courses.

- You must enroll in at least one honors course per academic year.
- You may take as many Honors sections of GE courses toward this requirement as you wish.
- You may take as many Honors integrative seminars (e.g., HONOR 296; HONOR 496) towards this requirement as you wish, bearing in mind that not all of these interdisciplinary seminars fulfill GE requirements.

3. Complete an international/study abroad experience.

<input type="checkbox"/> Attend a Study Abroad Information Session. Dates are listed every semester at: http://www.isc.sdsu.edu/study_abroad/pr_information_sessions.html	
<input type="checkbox"/> Complete any study abroad experience:	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete a UHP-sponsored study abroad experience
Must offer a credit-bearing course (for units). Examples: - The Alternative Spring Break programs - Summer programs to - Semester OR year abroad programs You must "register" your study abroad program with the honors International Coordinator (Karey Sabol) in advance of the program, and document completion of the experience upon your return.	You may earn 3 credit hours (e.g., HONOR 450) which go towards the minimum 18 credit hour requirement, in addition to fulfilling the study abroad requirement.

4. Complete a culminating senior assignment-Thesis or Project OR Portfolio-and earn a grade of "B" or higher.

<input type="checkbox"/> Thesis/Project Option	<input type="checkbox"/> Portfolio Option
Thesis: A systematic study of a significant problem. It identifies the problem, states the major assumptions, explains the significance of the undertaking, sets forth the sources for and methods of gathering information, analyzes data, and offers a conclusion or recommendation. If you want to do a thesis, you need <u>one year</u> to complete it...take HONOR 490A in the semester before you graduate and take HONOR 490B in the semester that you graduate.	Portfolio: Contains a generous sample of the student's best academic work selected from many disciplines generated throughout the student's four years of college, as well as a <i>paper</i> that integrates this collection of artifacts with current personal observations of educational growth and development, and demonstrates understanding of Honors objectives. If you want to do a portfolio, you need one semester to complete it...take HONOR 490C in the semester that you graduate.
Project: A significant undertaking appropriate to the <i>fine and applied arts</i> or to <i>professional fields</i> . A project creates a product (e.g., short story, business plan, visual arts project). If you want to do a project, you need one semester to complete it...take HONOR 490B in the semester that you graduate.	
If you are a member of a departmental honors program that requires a thesis, you may fulfill the Honors Program thesis requirement by completing the departmental thesis requirements. In such instances, you may take the departmental honors research or thesis course(s). This would be accepted in lieu of HONOR 490B and count towards the minimum 18 credit hour requirement.	If you are a member of a departmental honors program that requires a portfolio, you may fulfill the Honors Program portfolio requirement by completing the departmental portfolio requirements. In such instances, you may take the departmental honors portfolio course(s). This would be accepted in lieu of HONOR 490C and count towards the minimum 18 credit hour requirement.

5. Attend at least *one UHP Student Council Meeting* per semester AND participate in at least *two UHP sponsored cultural or community service events* per semester.