

Honors College - College of Business

Honors students are required to earn 18 Honors points, plus complete a Capstone Project to receive an Honors Degree.

Honors Points – Points are earned through a combination of Courses and Experiences

CoB Course Points Required: 15 (5 classes)

Students earn course points by enrolling in Honors-designated or cross-listed classes or *contracting existing courses*. Less common ways to earn Honors course points are through Honors transfer hours from other universities, graduate courses, and independent study courses. Students should talk these options over with their Honors advisor.

Students earn 3 course points per class. Points will only be awarded for grades of A or B. Honors eligibility cannot be based on grade alone; courses must include an Honors component.

Eligible Courses (course points cannot be earned for the Capstone Project):

- **Core** – Earn 12 Points of Business core course points in the following way:
- Earn at least 3 Points from contracting the following business courses: BLAW 4310, ECON 4306, ECON 4321, ECON 4322, FINA 4324, MANA 4321, MARK 4325.
- Earn remaining core points by contracting or taking the Goolsby section of the following business courses: ACCT 2301, BCOM 3360, BCOM 4380, BLAW 3310, BSTAT 3321, BUSA 4344, BUSA 4345, ECON 2306, ECON 3303, FINA 3313, INSY 3300, MANA 1301, MANA 4322, MARK 3321, and Goolsby courses LSHP 2302, LSHP 4311, and LSHP 4313.
- *In exceptional circumstances, alternative courses may be considered for Honors credit on a case-by-case basis.*
- **Other** - Earn up to 3 Points from any course, in or out of the academic major.

Experience Points Required: 3 (2 to 6 experiences)

Students may participate in co-curricular experiences to earn Honors Points. Experiences are assigned a point value based on duration and/or rigor. Most unique experiences may be used only one time. Points for Honors College involvement (HCC officer, Advocate, Programming Board, *Veneratio* Newsletter staff) are available to all students, regardless of major. Students must submit their proposed experience points through a verification form.

Honors Experiences

- (0.5) Honors College involvement
- (0.5) Additional (3) Honors events, above Registration Rewards requirements
- (1.5) Honors transfer credits from another university/college (3 hours)
- (1.5) Additional designated, cross-listed or contracted Honors course – can use twice

Leadership Experiences

- (0.5) Campus Leadership (SGA/EXCEL officer)
- (0.5) Business Student Organization officer

Instructional Experiences (per semester)

- (0.5) Tutoring through an official UTA department or organization
- (0.5) Peer mentor
- (0.5) PALS
- (0.5) Supplemental Instruction
- (0.5) Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Cultural Experiences

- (0.5-1.0) Study Abroad (UTA sponsored)

Research Experiences (Fall, Spring or Long Summer semester)

- (0.5) Research Based Independent Study
- (0.5-1.0) Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program
- (0.5-1.0) Undergraduate Research Fellowship
- (1.0) Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation
- (1.0) McNair Scholars Program
- (0.5-1.0) On-Campus Research Assistant
- (0.5-1.0) Off-Campus Research Program

Professional Experiences (Fall, Spring or Long Summer semester)

- (0.5-1.0) Internships
- (1.0) Archer Fellows Program
- (0.5-1.0) Work related project (major related and approved by CoB)
- (0.5) Presentation at a prof. business competition
- (0.5) Presentation at a professional conference
- (1.0) Publication in a peer-reviewed outlet

MISC

- AP Score of 5 or IB Score of 7

Capstone Project

In addition to earning the required number of Honors Points, students will complete a Capstone Project to receive an Honors Degree. Courses taken for Honors Course points may not be used for the Capstone project. Although not all students will be required to write a thesis, all students will be required to produce a deliverable. Students must submit an Honors College proposal and their final project to the Honors College for approval by the published deadline. Students will present their Capstone Project at an Honors Symposium in either an oral or poster presentation.

College of Business Capstone Statement:

Business students will complete a Professional Business Portfolio. This professional portfolio will include self-reflection that covers personal strengths, areas of improvement, external factors, growth experiences, significant accomplishments, and long-term and short-term goals. The portfolio will include a professional resume and represent the full measure of the individual.

Until a template of the required elements of the Professional Business Portfolio is available as a guide for Business Honors College students, Honors business students will complete a traditional honors thesis: research conducted under the guidance of a faculty mentor.