COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCE HONORS PROGRAM GUIDELINES

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APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY – THE STUDENT MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS

1. Student pursuing one of the five majors within the College of Health Science
   • Clinical Laboratory Science
   • Kinesiology
   • Public Health
   • Rehabilitation Sciences
   • Social Work

2. Student must be classified as
   • Freshman
   • Sophomore
   • Junior
   • Senior

   Students must have at least two years – four full spring and fall semesters – remaining to graduate

3. Student is required to have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5

IF THE REQUIREMENTS ABOVE ARE FULFILLED, THE STUDENT MUST SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO ENTER THE HEALTH SCIENCE HONORS PROGRAM

A successful UHP application will consist of a single PDF file containing the Honors Program Application (page 2 of this document only). Submit the documents to uhpnnetwork@utep.edu. The application form is located at our website www.utep.edu/honors by selecting “Prospective Students”
TO EARN A HEALTH SCIENCE HONORS DEGREE, A STUDENT MUST FULFILL THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS

1. **Member Agreement**
   The member agreement will be signed and submitted to UHP only once and upon entry to the program. Any changes in the program will be acknowledged to the student by email.

2. **Academic Requirements**
   Maintain a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA.

3. **University Honors Program Group Event Participation**
   Students must be part of the Honors community at UTEP and it is mandatory to attend at least one (1) of this UHP Group Event each fall and spring semester. Events are announced by the UHP Office ahead of time during the academic year and managed and tracked by the UHP Office (uhpnetwork@utep.edu).

   **NOTE:** We encourage students in this program to attend as many UHP Group Events as possible within the context of a positive school-life balance.

4. **Graduation Clearance for the Honors Degree**
   Students are responsible for submitting a Graduation Clearance Form (available on the UHP website) to the UHP Office by the deadline given on the Form. This form must be submitted in the last semester before graduation and late submissions may not be awarded the Honors degree. If the student is graduating in the summer and walking in the Spring commencement, required documents must be submitted based on the UHP Academic Spring calendar due dates. If you are graduating summer and walking in the Fall commencement, the required documents must be submitted based on the UHP Academic Fall calendar due dates.

5. **High Impact Extracurricular Engagement**
   Completion of four (4) of the following high-impact activities, at least once per year to remain an active member of the UHP. In addition to the above, each of these activities is required to be approved by the honors program to ensure it is aligned with the College of Health Sciences’ mission and core values (repetitions of some criteria are allowed – see below). The student will have to provide proof of satisfactory completion of all high-impact activities and attendance of the activities before graduation. Please see the description of each high-impact activity [here](#).

   a) Research and Scholarly Activity: must complete two semesters of RSRC 4033 in the College of Health Science (no substitutions, repetition is encouraged)***
   b) Creative Activities (first author presentation in a scientific conference or exhibition presentation, co-authoring publications)***
   c) Capstone Experiences relevant to the major*
   d) Community Engagement activities approved by the department (The [CUE])*
   e) Internship related to student’s major and/or career plans***
   f) On-Campus Student Employment**
Professional Preparation (volunteering, shadowing, etc. relevant to student’s major and/or career plans; 40 hours minimum)***

Student Leadership (Serve as an officer for at least one academic year in CHS student organization, or student government association)*

CHS-approved Study Abroad/Study Away**

*Allowed once during college
**Allowed twice maximum during college
***Allowed multiple times during college

- To receive credit for research student must be registered to RSRC 4033 & obtain a grade of S
- To receive credit for community engagement students must participate in at least 40 hours through the community service involvement website THE CUE. It is mandatory to register the service provided on THE CUE platform to receive credit
- To receive credit for Professional Preparation students must complete at least 40 hours within the same activity in their field; different activities cannot be combined to meet the minimum required
- To receive credit for student employment, it must be on-campus and work in the same place for at least 1 year
- To receive honors credit for student leadership, the student must hold a leadership position and be involved in a UTEP-registered organization for at least 1 year
- To receive credit for an internship, the student must register the activity in job mine unless it is a formal internal course and must be completed within the academic or pre-professional field

For more information on high-impact practices, forms, and how to maintain honors status visit the following link: www.utep.edu/honors select Current Members or contact the UHP office at uhpnetwork@utep.edu / (915) 747 – 5858

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM RECOGNITION

1. Recognized at commencement by the wearing of a gold stole and pin
2. Commencement booklet mention
3. Honors Degree recognition on the transcript