



THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM

COLLEGE OF NURSING HONORS PROGRAM GUIDELINES

College:	College of Nursing
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Location:	Health Sciences and School of Nursing Bldg.
Admittance:	College of Nursing Students
Application:	https://www.utep.edu/honors/_Files/docs/helpfulforms/HonProgApp.pdf
Website:	https://www.utep.edu/honors/
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APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY – THE STUDENT MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS

1. Student must be classified as

- Freshman
- Sophomore
- Junior
- Senior

Student must have at least two years –four semesters– remaining to graduate

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

IF REQUIREMENTS ABOVE ARE FULFILLED, THE STUDENT MUST SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO ENTER THE NURSING 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 uhpnetwork@utep.edu. The application form is located at our website www.utep.edu/honors by selecting “Prospective Students”

TO EARN THE NURSING HONORS DEGREE, THE 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



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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) 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 the Honors 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, required documents must be submitted based on the UHP Academic Fall calendar due dates

5. High Impact Extracurricular Engagement

The students must be involved in a High Impact Practice. Practices can be completed at the student's pace with a minimum of one per year. Students must meet the terms of the contract to successfully receive honors credit.

- Minimum of four (4) high-impact practices must be completed by the deadline in order to graduate with Honors recognition.
- Once the student starts a High Impact Practice, submitting a High Impact Practice Notice form is required
- Once the practice is completed, a High Impact Practice Completion form is required to receive credit
- Previous practices can count towards completing the credit requirement, as long as the student submits a Completion Form as proof. Required GPA must be maintained during and at the time of completion

Student Leadership – Allowed once during college. To receive credit for this activity student requires the following: In Phase 1 students must be involved in the Student Government Association. In Phase 2 and Phase 3, the student must be a member of the TNSA and must maintain membership throughout the program; an officer position is preferred.

Professional Preparation - Allowed multiple times during college.

Option 1

To receive credit for this activity student requires the following: Phase 1 Students must complete 5 activities from the career center. When the student enters Phase 2 must complete 2 career center activities. These activities should be meaningful in the professional preparation development.



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Option 2

The student can do shadowing a professional in order to receive credit the student must complete at least 20 hours within the same activity in their field; different activities cannot be combined to meet the minimum required.

Community Engagement - Allowed once during college. This activity can only be completed in Phase 3 and the student must complete 40 volunteer hours as a member of the Texas Nurses Association (TNSA).

Capstone Experience – Allowed once during college and can only be completed in Phase 4

Internship – Allowed multiple times during college and can only be completed in Phase 4. In order to receive credit for an internship, the student must register the activity in job mine unless it is a formal internship within a clinical practicum and must be completed within the academic or pre-professional field

Student Employment – Allowed twice maximum during college. The student should not be employed with the College of Nursing, as would be considered a conflict of interest. In order to receive credit for student employment, it must be on-campus and work in the same place for at least 1 year

Research and Scholarly Activities – Allowed multiple times during college. In order to receive credit for research, student must be registered to RSRC 4033 & obtain a grade of S

Creative Activities – Allowed multiple times during college

Study Abroad/Away - Allowed twice maximum during college

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 main office at uhpnetwork@utep.edu / (915) 747 – 5858

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM RECOGNITION

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

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