

Honors College - College Architecture, Planning, and Public Affairs

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

CAPPA 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 Honors 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.

B.S. in Architecture and B.S in Interior Design Degree Programs

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

- **Core** - Earn at least 12 Points from: ARCH 1301, ARCH 1341, ARCH 1342, ARCH 2303, ARCH 2304, ARCH 2551, ARCH 2552, ARCH 3323, ARCH 3361, ARCH 3364, ARCH 3553, ARCH 3554, ARCH 4556, ARCH 4557, INTD 1342, INTD 2552, INTD 3222, INTD 3361, INTD 3553, INTD 3555, INTD 4332, INTD 4365, INTD 4366, INTD 4556 and one additional course at the 2000, 3000, or 4000 level.
- **Other** – Earn up to 3 Points from any course, in or out of the academic major.

B.S. in Sustainable Urban Design Degree Programs

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

- **Core** - Earn at least 12 Points from: LARC 4300, LARC 4301, LARC 4330, PLAN 4320, PAPP 4307, UDES 1301, UDES, 1341, UDES 2303, UDES 2441, UDES 2442, UDES 3551, UDES 3552, UDES 4551, UDES 4552 and one additional course at the 2000, 3000, or 4000 level.
- **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
- (0.5) Honors transfer credits from another university/college (3 hours)
- (1.5) Additional designated, cross-listed or contracted Honors course – can use twice

Research Experiences (Fall, Spring or Long Summer semester)

- (0.5) Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program
- (0.5) Honors Undergraduate Research Fellowship
- (1.0) Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation

Cultural Experiences

- (0.5) Study abroad (UTA sponsored)

Professional Experiences (Fall, Spring or Long Summer semester)

- (0.5-1.0) Internships
- (0.5) Presentation at a conference
- (1.0) Design Build Studio

Instructional Experiences (per semester)

- (0.5) Tutoring through UTSI
- (0.5) Supplemental Instruction
- (0.5) Peer mentor

Leadership Experiences

- (0.5) Campus Leadership (Student gov't officer)
- (0.5) Student Organization Officer
- (0.5) Departmental/College Ambassador

MISC

- (0.5) 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.

CAPPA Capstone Statement:

The CAPPA Honors Capstone Project can be within the Creative, Research, or International categories. Courses taken for Honors Course points may not be used for the Capstone project. In addition to the Honors College requirements, the CAPPA Honors Capstone Project must meet the following:

- The project must be a result of the Honors student's individual endeavor. No team projects are acceptable, due to the difficulty of producing a deliverable that clearly demonstrates individual achievement.
- The student must submit a proposal for a Capstone Project to the Associate Dean for Faculty and Student Affairs no later than six months before the student's anticipated graduation.
- The Capstone Project needs to occur during an undergraduate student's final year of study.

Creative

- Creation of original creative work/activity and/or original interpretation

Research

- Traditional Honors thesis; research conducted under the mentorship of a faculty mentor

International

- Project developed through study abroad or service learning abroad

Recap - Honors Degree Requirements:

To graduate with an Honors degree, students must complete the degree requirements for their major, maintain a cumulative 3.2 UTA GPA, be a member of the Honors College in good standing, earn a minimum of 18 Honors Points, and complete and present a Capstone Project.