

Honors College - College of Business

Honors Points

Honors students are required to earn 18 Honors points, plus complete a Capstone Project to receive an Honors Degree. Points are earned through a combination of **Courses** and **Experiences**. Students earn course points by enrolling in Honors-designated classes or contracting existing courses. Course points are determined by credit hours, up to a maximum of 3 points per course. Course points will only be awarded for grades of A or B; however, Honors eligibility cannot be based on grade alone. Courses must include an Honors component. Students can earn a maximum of 6 course points per semester.

CoB Course Points Required: 15

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

- Earn at least 12 Points from an Honors or Goolsby section of the following business courses: ACCT 2301, BCOM 3360, BCOM 4380, BLAW 3310, ECON 2306, ECON 3303, FINA 3313, MANA 1301, MANA 3318, MANA 4322, MARK 3321, and Goolsby courses LSHP 2302, LSHP 4311, LSHP 4313 and LSHP 4314.
- Earn up to 3 Points from the following:
 - Honors-designated courses
 - Any contracted Honors courses
 - Cross-listed courses
 - Honors transfer hours from another university/college (3hr course)
 - Graduate courses
 - Independent study courses

CoB-Designated Eligible Experiences ~ Points Required: 3

Students may participate in co-curricular experiences to earn Honors Points. Experiences are assigned a point value based on duration and/or rigor. Each unique experience may be used only one time and students may receive points for up to two experiences in a given semester. Experience points for Honors College involvement are available to all students, regardless of major. Students must submit their proposed experience points through a verification form by the deadline for the semester in which they participate in the experience.

Honors Experiences

- (0.5) Honors College Council officer
- (0.5) Honors Advocate
- (0.5) Honors Programming Board
- (0.5) *Veneratio* Newsletter staff
- (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

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

Cultural Experiences

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

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.

A template of the required elements of the Professional Business Portfolio is available as a guide for Business Honors College students.

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.