

SAINT CATHARINE COLLEGE

HONORS PROGRAM

The mission of the Honors Program at Saint Catharine College is to develop a dynamic community of academically exceptional students and inspiring faculty and to provide an enhanced opportunity to pursue interdisciplinary critical thinking, innovative inquiry and pedagogies, academic and creative curiosity, and holistic personal enrichment.

The courses:

Honors 101 Composition for Honors Students, 3 credit hours. Fundamentals of effective writing and critical reading for students in the Saint Catharine College Honors Program. Introduction to rhetorical methods and oral communication utilizing the elements of persuasion and library research in an academic setting. Students will be introduced to the practices of scholarship expected as part of participation in the Honors Program at Saint Catharine College. *Open only to* Honors Program students. Earning a grade of C or better in HON 101 fills the Written Communication requirement in Core Studies. This course takes the place of ENG 101 and ENG 102.

Honors 102 Freshman Honors Seminar: The Ancient World, 3 credit hours. Interdisciplinary exploration of the major artistic, intellectual and cultural achievements of the ancient world. This course will be organized around a particular theme or issue, will provide a foundation in critical and creative thinking, and will explore the intersections of ideas across disciplines. Students will be introduced to the practices of scholarship expected as part of participation in the Honors Program at Saint Catharine College. *Open only to* Honors Program students. Earning a grade of C or better HON 102 fills 3 hours of the Human Arts requirement in Core Studies.

Honors 201 Sophomore Honors Seminar I: Inquiries in Intellectual History, 3 credit hours. Interdisciplinary exploration of the major artistic, intellectual and cultural achievements of one or more of the following eras: the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, and the Enlightenment. This course will be organized around a particular theme or issue, will provide a foundation in critical and creative thinking, and will explore the intersections ideas across disciplines. Students will continue the practices of scholarship expected as part of participation in the Honors Program at Saint Catharine College. *Open only to* Honors Program students. Earning a grade of C or better in HON 201 fills 3 hours of the Human Arts requirement in Core Studies.

Honors 202: Sophomore Honors Seminar II: Contemporary Thinkers in Context and Dialogue, 3 credit hours. Examination of the intersections of key ideas, events, and movements that shaped the 20th century. This course will be organized around a particular theme or issue which may vary by semester. Offerings may include interdisciplinary study of the works of intellectuals and artists such as Simone de Beauvoir, Susan Sontag, Michel Foucault, Sigmund Freud, Wassily Kandinsky, Friedrich Nietzsche, Marcel Proust, Ralph Ellison, Albert Einstein, Claude Levi-Strauss, Emile Durkheim, Niels Bohr, and others. *Open only to Honors Program students. Prerequisite:* Honors 201. Earning a grade of C or better in Honors 202 fills 3 hours of the Global Perspectives requirement in Core Studies.

Honors 301 Interdisciplinary Honors Seminar, 3 credit hours. Exploration of special topics relevant to Honors learning. Titles will be announced prior to each semester. Content will vary. *Open only to Honors Program students. Prerequisite:* Honors 290. May be repeated for credit. Honors 301 may count in a Core Studies category depending on content. Students will need to consult with their advisor.

Honors 490, Honors Senior Seminar, 3 credit hours. This course serves as a capstone course for the Honors program culminating in an honors paper and presentation, prepared in accordance with accepted standards of documentation and presentation. *Open only to Honors students with senior standing. Prerequisite:* Honors 301.

THE HONORS PROGRAM IS MORE THAN A SERIES OF COURSES; IT IS A COMMUNITY! UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR HONORS STUDENTS INCLUDE STUDY ABROAD OPTIONS, SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE, SPECIAL HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS, AND STUDENT LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES. EMAIL THE DIRECTOR TO JOIN THE PROGRAM OR TO OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION.

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