

KCC HONORS PROGRAM

KCC offers opportunities for committed and qualified students to push themselves intellectually by joining a community of learners who value academic rigor and immersive learning experiences.



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KCC's Honors Program offers academically talented students an alternative way to complete general education requirements. Students in these courses find inspiration and motivation from not only their peers but from the more intimate learning environment. In short, KCC's Honors Program tends to inspire, motivate, and foster learning in rich and rewarding ways.

Admission Requirements

- **High School students:** minimum GPA of 3.5 or minimum ACT composite 24 or SAT composite 1160
- **Current KCC students:** minimum GPA of 3.5 and 12 completed credits
- **Transfer students:** minimum transfer GPA of 3.5 and 12 completed college-level credits

Completion Requirements

The Honors Program is structured around a **four-semester sequence**. Qualified students may begin the program during any fall semester. In order to graduate with "Honors" distinction, students must complete a minimum of eight (8) credit hours of honors-level coursework, including the Honors Seminar and Honors Capstone in the second year.

Sample Course Schedule

YEAR ONE

Fall Semester (1)

- ENGL 151H (3 credits) **and/or**
- SOCI 201H (3 credits)

Spring Semester (2)

- ENGL 152H (3 credits) **and/or**
- HIST 104H (3 credits)

YEAR TWO

Fall Semester (3)

- HNRS 110 (1 credit)

Spring Semester (4)

- HNRS 200 (1 credit)

Sample Course Descriptions

ENGL 151H Freshman Composition Honors (3 credits)

Admitted students will pursue in-depth studies in expository writing, developing a stronger sense of voice and style. Students will produce work that demonstrates an advanced understanding of primary source material, documentation formats, and argumentative/analytical writing. Prospective students must be interested in developing excellence in writing and must meet the Honors Program admissions requirements.

ENGL 152H Freshman Composition Honors (3 credits)

A continuation of ENGL 151H with an emphasis on preparation and writing of a major research paper on a challenging topic. Students read and analyze fiction and nonfiction selections to refine critical thinking skills. The learning experience is often unified around a theme or contemporary topic. Prospective students must meet the Honors program admissions requirements.

SOCI 201H Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)

This course introduces students to the scientific study of society. It examines the way society is structured and the social inequalities that shape the lives of different classes, racial and ethnic groups, and men and women. Students will study how social institutions such as the media, the family, and the educational system influence society and socialize us into our environment while investigating how people create and change the social world through collective action.

HNRS 110 Honors Seminar (1 credit)

This course provides students with an opportunity to engage in research at a deeper level within a chosen field. Students will collaborate with honors faculty to propose and plan a research project demonstrating advanced critical analysis, cultural and personal engagement, and effective communication. Seminar participants will meet monthly with other Honors Program students to plan, discuss, and begin to shape their specific honors-level project. Prospective students must meet the Honors Program admissions requirements.

HNRS 200 Honors Capstone (1 credit)

This course provides students with an opportunity to examine a chosen academic and/or professional field through independent analysis as well as collaboration with internal and external experts. Students will use tools and resources to complete a project, internship, field work experience, assignment, research paper, portfolio or presentation that demonstrates their ability to think critically, engage with the community, and communicate effectively in their chosen field.

Other courses that are occasionally offered for Honors credit include the following: HIST 103H, HIST 104H, HIST 151H, HIST 152H, PHIL 201H, POSC 201H, PSYC 201H.

Scan the code to visit KCC's Course Schedule for specific Honors sections and semesters in which they are offered.



WHAT KCC STUDENTS SAY

With smaller and more specialized classes in the honors program, I had the opportunity to be a part of a very close and helpful community. Even though honors classes are academically challenging, I was given every resource that I needed to not only succeed, but thrive. Through the honors program, I have built friendships, engaged in the community, and grown academically.

ELLA SMITH — KCC Honors Student & Business Management Major

The honors program made me feel like I was progressing academically. It was thanks to the guidance of my Honors professor and peers that I was able to see my grades get better with every assignment. Some teachers say grades don't matter when compared to the learning experience you get from a class, which always seemed dumb to me as I thought grades indicated learning experience. Yet the honors program helped me understand what that saying meant and made me remember the feeling of learning again.

RAMON MARTINEZ GARCIA — KCC Honors Student & Political Science Major

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