

UHD Scholars Academy

Honor Corps Policy

The UHD Scholars Academy Honors Corps (HC) is an elite group of SA scholars who have earned recognition for their exceptional scholastic performance. HC status will be conferred each Spring (during the SA Spring Awards Convocation) upon individuals meeting the following criteria:

1. Must be current members (in good or level 1 status) of the UHD Scholars Academy at the time of consideration
2. Maintained active membership in the Academy for at least two consecutive semesters, of which only one may have been in level 1
3. Completed 45 or more total credit hours (excluding remedial courses). No more than 6 hours of outstanding D's or F's at UHD.
4. Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0
5. Have a 3.25 GPA in their major (no matter the specific major, the following are used due to the impossibility to determine each student's actual degree plan and minors)
 - a. All courses in CS and MATH (above Math 1301) are computed for CMS majors
 - b. All BIOL, CHEM, GEOL, MBIO, and PHYS courses are computed for NS majors
 - c. All ET, EET, and ENGR courses are computed for ET majors
 - d. No remedial courses are included
 - e. All NS courses (designated for Science majors) are included
 - f. 2XXX level courses and above in MATH / STAT / SOS are also included
6. Completed 10 or more hours in their major, 8 of which must have been completed at UHD

The purpose of these criteria is to make a distinction between academic honors bestowed upon individuals regardless of their affiliations within the Academy, from the individuals who have outstanding academic records as well as a record of professional development via extracurricular activities and research facilitated by membership in the Academy.

The goal of Honors Corps is to encourage SA members to aim high enough during their first and second years in the university to be eligible for Honors Programs within their respective departments by their junior year.

The above eligibility criteria are just slightly below the departmental honors requirements (only differences being 60 credit hours and 16 credit hours in their major) since HC status is conferred at the SA Spring Awards Convocation prior to grades being released. This will allow eligible students to be prepared and to consider applying for departmental honors programs beginning in the next Fall semester.