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# Honors Classes and Honors Contracts

## Honors Classes

- Honors classes are open to all students.
  - Honors classes are designated in the class schedule
    - Stand-alone honors classes
    - Dual CRN honors classes
- Honors Addendum needed in official course outline
- Harder? .... Different!

## Honors Contracts

- Any student can propose an honors contract. Faculty can say yes or no.
- Supportive faculty can advertise in the class schedule.



## Eligibility:

- eligible for ENGL 100 and MATH 125, 130, 140, 200, 222, 241, or 251
- high school GPA of 3.5 –or- college GPA of 3.3 in at least 9 units of transferable courses

**Completion:** 15 Honors Units (max 2 contracts) and 3.3 transfer GPA

## Benefits

- Priority registration
- Specialized advising
- Priority transfer opportunities
- Special recognition at graduation and on transcripts
- Participation in research conferences
- Enhanced scholarship opportunities

# Ideas and Future Directions

- **Importance of creating a community/cohort**
  - Stand-Alone Classes
  - Honors Activities and Info Sessions
  - Relooking at math eligibility requirements
- **Recruitment:** More marketing and recruitment on and off campus
- **Faculty Survey**

# What can you do?

- Consult with me and your division dean regarding **stand-alone honors** classes
- Offer your course as a dual-CRN (add an addendum to COR)
- Support student honors contracts
- Participate on the HTP Advisory Committee
- More info: [www.canadacollege.edu/honorsprogram](http://www.canadacollege.edu/honorsprogram)  
[www.canadacollege.edu/htpcommittee](http://www.canadacollege.edu/htpcommittee)

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# Canada College Honors Research Showcase and Bay Honors Consortium Research Symposium

- Canada Honors Research Showcase: mid-April
- BHC Research Symposium (UC Berkeley): May 5, 2018

**Encourage  
your students  
to apply!**



**Thank you!**

# What makes it “honors”?

- Topics that are more advanced than regular, lower division course work,
- Research beyond standard course assignment,
- Extensive reliance on primary source documents,
- Critical thinking and extended analysis not required in standard course work,
- Creative synthesis of materials beyond standard requirements of the course.



## Honors Transfer Program

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## Honors Contract

Honors Contracts allow students to earn honors credit while enrolled in a non-honors transferable class. The Honors Contract is individually negotiated between the faculty member and the student. Honors Contracts can be used toward a maximum of TWO courses (no limit on the number of units, just the number of courses).

Contracts in 695 Independent Study may NOT be used for UCLA TAP certification, however they do count toward Honors Transfer Program graduation and completion.

## Honors Contract Application

### Honors Contract Application (2-Step Process) - NEW!

- [Contract Application Proposal \(Step 1 of 2\)](#)

Due by the Ninth Week of the Semester

- [Honors Project Completion Form \(Step 2 of 2\)](#) 

Due by the end of the Semester (Faculty and Student signatures are required)

For more information about Honors Contracts, please see the [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

## Honors Contract Guidelines

All Honors Contracts must be scholarly endeavors over and above the standard undergraduate lower division course work, and it must be clearly described in the application. Examples of "What Makes Your Work Honors?" include:

- A. Topics that are more advanced than standard undergraduate lower division course work;
- B. Research beyond regular course assignment;
- C. Extensive reliance on primary sources;
- D. Critical thinking and extended analysis not required in the standard course work;
- E. Creative Honors Contract beyond the standard requirements of the course.

## Honors Contract Requirements

The faculty member, in consultation with the student, will determine the Honors Contract design and timeline for completion (completion must be done by the end of the semester).

1. Research papers and projects must be polished college-level work and follow the discipline format style (e.g., APA, MLA, Chicago Style). Papers should be approximately 10 pages in length.
2. The faculty member will work as an advisor, working with the student in a consistent and specific manner, which may include regular meetings throughout the semester.
3. The student must earn a C or higher in the course in order to earn honors credit.