

Honors College Course Substitutions

WHAT
HAPPENS
WHEN A
CURRENT
STUDENT JOINS
THE HONORS
COLLEGE?

Students who join in their second or third year will be exempt from the Mason Core Foundation and Exploration requirements. Instead, they will take required Honors seminars.

Each student is unique and their credits are evaluated independently. However, at a **minimum** students take **3 HNRS seminars**: HNRS 310 (formerly HNRS 302), HNRS 260, and HNRS 360.

HOW MANY
HNRS
SEMINARS WILL
STUDENTS
TAKE?

WHAT IF
STUDENTS HAVE
RECEIVED
CREDIT FOR OR
TAKEN SOME
MASON CORE
CLASSES?

After admission, the Honors College will evaluate transfer, AP/IB, dual enrollment, and Mason core credits to determine if they can be used as substitutes for relevant Honors College curriculum requirements.

If students have taken some Mason Core classes or have transfer credits that cover Mason Core requirements, they could potentially be used to **substitute** for **up to 4** of the 7 required Honors College seminars.

HOW WILL THE
CREDITS
TRANSFER?

What happens when you join the Honors College?

Inquiry courses	Common Substitutions
HNRS 122 Reading the Arts	Arts (includes Art, Music, Theatre, Dance) and Literature
HNRS 130 Identity, Community & Difference	Identity-based, such as Religion, Philosophy, Gender Studies, Cultural Studies and some Sociology courses
HNRS 131 Contemporary Social Issues	Global Context/Social Science, including Sociology, Government, Economics, Psychology, Criminology
HNRS 240 Reading the Past	History