

Honors Completion Plan

ACES James Scholars

Introduction

The Honors Completion Plan (HCP) is a roadmap for successful completion of the ACES James Scholar Honors Program during the junior and senior years. The HCP needs to be received at the Honors Desk by **the second Monday in November of the junior year** (or at least three semesters before you plan to graduate, whichever comes first).

Please type or print clearly. For detailed descriptions and explanations of the **Milestones of Achievement** listed on the HCP, please refer to the current edition of the **ACES Honors Handbook** (<http://academics.aces.illinois.edu/honors/handbook>).

General Information

Full Name (First, Middle, Surname): _____

UIN: _____ Email Address: _____

ACES Department and Major: _____

Double Major or Dual Degree (if any): _____

Approved Minor or Minors (if any): _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____ Circle One: Original HCP Revised HCP
(Month and Year)

Post-Graduation Plans (Please Circle as Appropriate and Explain Briefly on the Line Below):

Graduate School Professional School Entry-Level Job Other Uncertain at This Time

Milestones of Achievement

1. The capstone experience for **all** ACES James Scholars is conducting an Undergraduate Research Project – such as a bachelor’s thesis, laboratory project, or design project – with a Faculty Mentor in the College of ACES. (Enrollment in a 300-level Undergraduate Research course is optional but highly recommended.)

Anticipated Research Project Title and Faculty Mentor’s Name:

2. Present a poster display based on item #1 at ExplorACES in March, the Undergraduate Research Symposium in April, or a professional conference approved in advance by the Honors Dean.

Anticipated Event and Date (Month and Year) for Displaying Research Poster:

- Complete four courses with honors credit (i.e., with an **H** following the standard letter grade) before graduation. (A grade of **B-** or higher is needed to obtain honors credit in any course.)

Courses with Honors Credit Already Completed, in Progress, or Anticipated:

- Complete four 400-level courses with a standard letter grade of **B-** or higher. These courses may be taken in any department on campus.

400-Level Courses Already Completed, in Progress, or Anticipated:

- Complete one 500-level course (or a specially designated 400-level course approved by your Departmental Honors Advisor) with a standard letter grade of **B-** or higher. This course may be taken in any department on campus. **Please note that this course cannot be identical with any of the courses listed above in fulfillment of item #4.**

500-Level or Graduate-Level Course to Be Taken: _____

Memorandum of Understanding
Please initial next to each number and sign below as indicated.

- _____ I understand that by signing my HCP, I am declaring my intention to graduate from the College of ACES with James Scholar Distinction.
- _____ I understand that I will need to fulfill **all** the **Milestones of Achievement** listed on my HCP, along with maintaining an overall GPA ≥ 3.40 , in order to graduate from the College of ACES with James Scholar Distinction.
- _____ I understand that I can modify my HCP, with the approval and signature of my Departmental Honors Coordinator, at any time before I graduate.
- _____ I understand that I may resign from the ACES James Scholar Honors Program at any time without academic penalty and that my resignation will not be noted on my transcript.
- _____ I understand that my James Scholar status may be subject to review if I do not make satisfactory progress toward fulfilling the **Milestones of Achievement** during my junior and senior years.

Signatures and Approvals

 ACES James Scholar's Signature

 Dept. Honors Advisor's Signature

 Date Signed by ACES James Scholar

 Date Signed by Dept. Honors Advisor

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 Date Received at Honors Desk

 Date Scanned and Uploaded

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