

University Honors Program

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Honors Program Advisory Council

Purpose

The University Honors Program has operated at Chapman since 1982 when it was initiated through support from a National Endowment from the Humanities Challenge Grant (see [Honors Town Hall](#) materials for an overview of the program). The program has evolved over the last four decades to encompass all core undergraduate disciplines and serves as an important recruitment tool in attracting intellectually curious and engaged students to the university. The Honors Program is creating the Honors Program Advisory Council (HPAC) to provide advisory support for the continued development and flourishing of the Honors Program.

HPAC will collaborate with stakeholders from across campus to support the operations and advancement of the University Honors Program. HPAC will be composed of full-time university faculty and ex officio staff members who are committed to enhancing Honors program recruitment, operations, curriculum, co-curricular activity, and student-faculty opportunities for scientific and creative development. Service on HPAC offers faculty an opportunity to shape the future of undergraduate Honors education at Chapman and to engage in high-impact, institution-level academic leadership.

Eligibility

- Full-time faculty
- Commitment to supporting and enhancing the operations, curriculum, resources, and opportunities of the Honors Program
- We particularly welcome applications from faculty with significant interdisciplinary teaching, undergraduate research or creative activity, mentoring, assessment, or student recruitment experience or expertise
- Effort will be made to balance faculty representation from cognate areas of the undergraduate curriculum in selecting HPAC members

Terms of Service

- This is a non-compensated university service opportunity
- Members will serve for two-year terms; renewable once for up to 4 years of continuous service
- Members will be required to participate in a monthly in-person HPAC meeting with a virtual option (meeting date/time will be determined on the basis of HPAC member availability)
- HPAC member input may occasionally be solicited via electronic feedback forms for time-sensitive queries occurring between monthly meetings
- HPAC members will be expected to provide 2 hours of service per month (1 hour for the monthly HPAC meeting and ~1 hour in reviewing materials in preparation for the meeting); HPAC members may

contribute additional time in service on Honors Committees (this additional service is voluntary and will be documented in yearly acknowledgements for annual reports and tenure/promotion reviews)

Core Activities

- HPAC members will be asked to provide constructive feedback to Honors leadership regarding Honors program operations, program learning outcomes, assessment, curriculum, co-curricular programming, student and faculty research and creative opportunities, admissions, alumni relations, and opportunities to enhance the program's national profile
- HPAC members will be expected to serve as liaisons between the Honors program and their respective programs, departments, and colleges; HPAC members will be invited to identify and communicate opportunities for enhanced collaboration between the Honors program and units across campus
- HPAC members will be encouraged to consider service on an Honors Committee (Honors Admissions Committee, Honors Awards Committee, Honors Alumni Committee, Honors Advancement Committee)

Application

If you wish to be considered for a position on the Honors Program Advisory Council, [please complete the brief application available here](#) by February 12th at 5 PM. HPAC invitations will be distributed in late February and an inaugural HPAC meeting will occur in mid-March.

Please direct inquiries regarding the Honors Program or HPAC service to Tara Gruenewald, Honors Director, at grunewa@chapman.edu or honors@chapman.edu.

With warmest regards,

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