**Missouri State University**

**Honors College**

The Accelerated Honors Program for nursing majors is designed for students who enter the Honors College with 30 or more completed credit hours. The program includes a primary emphasis upon the completion of major requirements and the production of a final distinction project.

## Program Requirements

1. Completion of one of the following Honors elements:
	1. *UHC 110* *Freshman Honors Seminar* (2 cr.). All first-time in college students, regardless of class standing, must complete *UHC 110* *Freshman Honors Seminar.* This course satisfies the University’s First-Year Foundations General Education requirement and must be completed during the first semester of study.
	2. Transfer students and MSU students admitted to the Honors College after completing *GEP 101* *First-Year Foundations* must complete 1 General Honors course or 1 Honors Experiential Learning course of their choice. Courses are offered in up to twenty academic disciplines.
2. Completion of the following courses:
	1. *NUR 472 Nursing Research & Scholarly Writing (3 cr.) + UHC 398 Honors Undergraduate Research (1 cr.).* These requirements are normally satisfied during spring semester of sophomore year.
	2. *NUR 323 Pediatric Nursing (5 cr.) + UHC 398 Honors Undergraduate Research (1 cr.).* These requirements are normally completed during spring semester of junior year.
	3. *UHC 399 Nursing Internship-HONR* *(3 cr.).* This requirement is normally completed during summer semester of junior year.
	4. *NUR 442 Community Health (6 cr.) + UHC 396 Honors Independent Study (1 cr.).* These requirements are normally satisfied during fall semester of senior year.
	5. *UHC 499 Honors Distinction Project (3-4 cr.).* This requirement is normally completed during spring semester of senior year.

## Distinction Requirements Course Descriptions

Students who complete all Accelerated Honors Program requirements and earn a final institutional GPA of 3.25 or higher are eligible to graduate from the Honors College after they satisfy all other University degree requirements. Final transcripts and diplomas will include the notation, "Bachelor of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (with possible grade point honors such as *cum laude, magna cum laude, summa cum laude*) in the Honors College with Distinction in ­­Nursing."

To remain in good standing in the program, a student must maintain a 3.25 cumulative institutional GPA or higher and enroll in 12 or more credit hours per semester. Members should normally carry no more than two honors classes in any one semester.

The Director of the Honors College will review the academic progress of all students at the end of each semester. Students who do not achieve the required 3.25 cumulative institutional GPA will be given one semester to achieve that level, provided it is mathematically possible. Students who cannot achieve a 3.25 cumulative institutional GPA or who fail to reach a 3.25 for two consecutive semesters will be ineligible to continue in the program. Students who are removed from the program may apply for readmission after one semester if their academic performance satisfies program requirements. Students who are removed from the program a second time are not eligible for readmission.