



*The Honors Program at John Carroll University cultivates a community whose members embrace **gaudium de veritate** — joy from truth — and lead lives devoted to learning. Rooted in the Ignatian Tradition, Honors Program graduates lead and serve in the world by sharing their intellectual gifts and love for learning with others.*

Class of 2024 Requirements

Honors Core

Students complete 25 credits of Honors-designated coursework.

Courses that Fulfill University Core Requirements:

Foundational Competencies (6 credits)

- HP 101: Life of the Mind (replaces EN 125)
- Communications 125 H

Jesuit Heritage (16 credits)

- 2 Theology & Religious Studies H courses
- 2 Philosophy H courses
- 1 Issues in Social Justice H course
- 1 Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) H course*

Courses that Fulfill Program-Specific Requirements:

Explorations in Research (1 credit)

- Taken during second year

Directed Readings (2 credits)

- Taken during third or fourth year

Honors Pathway

Based on their goals and interests, students complete and reflect upon demonstrations of excellence in **engaged learning** and **depth of scholarship**.

- Engaged learning: Learning experiences that occur outside of the typical JCU classroom (e.g., study abroad, immersion trips, internships)
- Depth of scholarship: Going above and beyond basic graduation requirements related to the major (e.g., minor/double major, research internships, scholarly/creative publication, conference presentations)

The Honors Pathway Award supports students with up to \$3,000 (during second or third year) as they engage in experiential learning related to Honors Pathway requirements.

Honors Project

Mentored by a faculty member, students complete an independent project. Although many complete research projects, students may also complete other types of work (e.g., documentaries, creative writing projects).

- Prior to completing the project, students complete a 1-credit independent study course in which they develop a project proposal
- Students typically earn upper-division major or minor elective credit while completing the project