



*Honors in the Major:*

## **Communication**

Communication Studies; Journalism; Mass Media; Public Relations

Students in the Honors Program can choose to pursue various designations to earn upon graduation, including *Honors in the Major*. By completing *Honors in the Major*, students will:

- engage in an enriched and extended learning experience;
- develop as scholars and gain an edge over their peers by choosing a rigorous preparation in their field of study;
- be recognized in the Commencement Book, transcript, and on the diploma.

Students earn this designation at graduation; requirements, including being in good standing with the Honors Program, are reviewed at the end of the final semester:

1. 3.3 cumulative GPA
2. 3.5 major GPA
3. Fulfill Honors Program participation requirements: 1 Honors Learning Experience per semester in the program, including the final semester (students are not required to complete an Honors Learning Experience when they are off-campus)
4. Complete 3 Honors Learning Experiences in COM major courses, within the following parameters:
  - Honors Contracts or Sections
  - Students are encouraged to complete an Honors Contract in COM 111 or COM 297, though this is not required.
  - At least one contract should be in a course at the 300 level.
5. Complete an Honors Capstone Experience, which may include:
  - COM 299: Honors Independent Study (1 -3 credit hours)
  - Honors Contract in a specific course:
    - COM Studies: COM 388
    - Journalism: COM 374
    - Mass Media: COM 396
    - Public Relations: COM 378