



Honors in the Major:

Teaching and Learning

Early Childhood Education; Elementary Education; Bilingual/Bicultural Education; Middle Level Teacher Education

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 2 Honors Learning Experiences in TCH courses, specifically:
 - a. Honors Section or Honors Contract in a TCH course required for the major
 - b. Honors Section or Honors Contract in a TCH course required for the major
 - For the second experience, Middle Level Education majors may complete an Honors Section or Honors Contract in a course required for one of the two subject areas.
- 5. Complete an Honors Capstone Experience:
 - TCH 299: Honors Independent study (3 hours with a TCH faculty member)