



Honors Opportunities

Phi Beta Kappa is the nation's oldest and most prestigious undergraduate honors society. The Greek letters PBK refer to the Greek motto meaning "Love of wisdom, the guide of life." Phi Beta Kappa is the most selective honor on campus. Only 5% of graduating seniors and 1% of juniors may be elected each year.

At UC Irvine, highly ambitious, talented undergraduate students succeed in preparing themselves for complex and exciting careers. A UC Irvine education extends from the classroom to the laboratory, studio, and library; to internships in the community, state, nation, and other countries; and to travel and study abroad. UC Irvine's undergraduate students have amazing opportunities to join faculty in research, and have their work recognized in symposia and in print before graduating with a bachelor's degree. All of this is available at UC Irvine, along with honors programs and special honors-level advising to help students make the most of their education.

Honors Programs

UC Irvine offers: a Campuswide Honors Program for outstanding students of all majors from the freshman through senior years; the Humanities Honors Program, offered at the upper-division level to all humanities majors on campus; major-specific honors programs at the upper-division level; and several Excellence in Research programs.

Honors students also may participate in the Education Abroad Program, the International Opportunities Program, the UCDC Academic Internship Program, the UC Sacramento Academic Internship Program, and the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program. Exceptional students apply for prestigious scholarships with the help of the Scholarship Opportunities Program.

Campuswide Honors Program

The Campuswide Honors Program (CHP) is available to high-achieving students in all majors from the freshman through senior years. Outstanding students are selected as part of the UCI admissions process, or may apply once they have completed at least one quarter at the University with a minimum GPA of 3.5. Applications are evaluated on academic excellence, plus other distinctions and attributes of honors-level university students. CHP students routinely continue their studies after graduation at the most prestigious graduate and professional schools in the world.

In addition to personal and intellectual growth, the CHP offers students a special curriculum that cultivates

breadth of knowledge and independent research skills. Additional benefits include small, seminar-style classes, close interaction with peers, honors advising, the undergraduate research thesis experience, and mentorship by faculty recognized for their outstanding teaching and scholarship.

The program is a community of scholars in which development of the mind goes hand-in-hand with development of the whole person. CHP students come together in social and cultural activities, including weekly coffee hours, social events organized by CHP students, and special activities involving faculty and visiting scholars. Students participate in a highly active honors student council, engage in service to the campus and the community, and produce a creative writing and arts journal. CHP students are guaranteed on-campus housing, as long as they meet housing procedures and deadlines. Freshmen may choose to live in Middle Earth in "The Shire," or in Mesa Court in "Loma," or "Arroyo." Sophomores and upper-division students who wish to live in honors housing may select one of the four honors houses in Arroyo Vista. These residences offer a valuable living/learning experience with other honors students and the community spirit that is a special feature of the CHP.

Successful completion of the Campuswide Honors Program is recognized at graduation and on the diploma. Many CHP alumni choose to keep in touch after graduation, and participate in an active alumni group that provides networking and professional development opportunities.

School of Humanities Honors Program

The School of Humanities Honors Program is a two-year, upper-division program designed to challenge superior students from all humanities majors by providing special opportunities for interdisciplinary work within an intellectually charged framework. Small seminars and the opportunity for independent research are some of the advantages offered by the program.

Humanities honors students have the opportunity to become some of UCI's best-informed scholars on a broad range of topics: from artificial intelligence to medical eth-

ics, from Shakespeare to Gilbert and Sullivan, from problems of the ancient Near East to the dilemmas of modernity. In their junior year, students take an interdisciplinary three-quarter proseminar organized around a single topic or problem, such as crime and punishment, the development of religion in the West, the self, nature, or the American Dream. In the senior year, a sequence of courses culminates in the writing of a senior thesis. Students present their theses in an informal gathering with their faculty advisors in the spring, and a prize is awarded for the year's outstanding thesis. Formal and informal gatherings, including student-organized social activities (ranging from coffee hours to theater parties) augment a wide range of campus activities.

Major-Specific Honors Programs

UC Irvine offers many junior- and senior-level honors programs geared toward the development of analytical and research skills through the pursuit of research under faculty supervision. An honors-level thesis is required by most of the programs. Each program has specific eligibility requirements and admission is competitive. Many major-specific and Humanities Honors Program students also participate in the Campuswide Honors Program.

Claire Trevor School of the Arts

Honors in Acting

Admission to this program requires satisfaction of both academic and performance criteria, plus a special audition. Honors in Acting students are eligible to audition for visiting professional theatres along with M.F.A. acting students.

Honors in Design

The Honors in Design Program provides the opportunity for drama majors to concentrate on the study and practice of scenery, costume, sound, or lighting design. Honors in Design students study basic and advanced design techniques, participate in classes with graduate design students, serve as assistant designers to graduate students or faculty designers, and possibly design a production at UCI.

Honors in Directing

The Honors in Directing Program provides the opportunity for drama majors to concentrate on the study and practice of stage direction. Honors in Directing students study basic and advanced directing techniques, participate in the Directing Laboratory with graduate directing students, take a course in directorial themes and/or the history of directing, and direct two full plays in the Drama Workshop series. Honors students also have the opportunity to receive credit as the assistant director of a Stage 1 or Stage 2 department show, as a production intern with a professional theatre company, or for production/direction responsibility with the Playwright's Workshop.

Honors in Dramatic Literature, History, and Theory

The Honors in Dramatic Literature, History, and Theory Program is designed to challenge superior students beyond the scholarly requirements of the drama major. It provides them with the opportunity to advance their knowledge of dramatic literature, history, and theory and to further develop their writing, analytical, and research skills. An additional

purpose of the program is to better prepare students for graduate study in not only dramatic literature, history, and theory, but in all fields in the humanities and social sciences, as well as in law.

Honors in Music Theatre

This special recognition is reserved for outstanding B.F.A. in music theatre students only. If all coursework both within and outside of the major is completed at a pre-determined GPA level, honors will be awarded.

Honors in Stage Management

The Honors in Stage Management Program provides the opportunity for drama majors to concentrate on the study and practice of stage-management. Honors students study basic and advanced stage-management techniques, participate in classes with graduate stage-management students, work as assistant stage managers with graduate student stage managers on graduate student-directed and faculty-directed productions, and stage manage a graduate student-directed or faculty-directed production at UCI.

School of Biological Sciences

Honors Program in Biological Sciences

The Honors Program in the School of Biological Sciences provides opportunities for outstanding students to pursue advanced work in independent research via participation in the Excellence in Biological Sciences Research Program and earn honors in biological sciences upon graduation. Students must have a minimum overall 3.5 grade point average and a minimum 3.5 grade point average in all required biological sciences courses. The program requires a minimum of three quarters enrollment in research (Biological Sciences 199) including successful completion of Biological Sciences H195 and the Excellence in Biological Sciences Research Program.

School of Humanities

Honors Program in Asian American Studies

The Honors Program in Asian American Studies provides opportunities for outstanding students to develop research skills, pursue fieldwork, and complete an honors thesis on the topic of their choice under faculty guidance. Participation in an upper-division, year-long sequence introduces students to a range of methodological issues in Asian American Studies.

Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences

Bren School of ICS Introductory Honors Courses

An honors introductory sequence (ICS H21/H22/H23) is available to students majoring in Biomedical Computing, Computer Science, Computer Science and Engineering, Information and Computer Science, and those affiliated with the ICS Undeclared Pre-Major, who meet eligibility criteria.*

The courses are limited in size, and provide a uniquely challenging and intimate learning environment in which to cover conventional course material in greater depth and scope.

Bren School of ICS Honors Program

The school allows juniors and seniors in any of its majors who meet program eligibility criteria* to pursue advanced work in one of many research areas. Selected students participate in an honors seminar,

conduct independent research under the guidance of a faculty member (for a minimum of two quarters), and write a research paper for review by the faculty advisor and the Honors Program advisor. Successful completion of the Bren School of ICS Honors Program earns the student a certificate and medal from the school, and notation on the student's transcript.

*Information about the eligibility criteria for the introductory course sequence and the upper-division honors program is available at www.ics.uci.edu/ugrad/honors/index.php.

School of Physical Sciences

Honors Program in Chemistry

The Honors Program in Chemistry is a research-based program offered to chemistry majors during their final year. Students are chosen based upon their demonstrated competence in chemistry and their potential to carry out research, as judged by the chemistry faculty member who will supervise their research. Students enroll in Honors Research in Chemistry their senior year and submit a formal thesis late in the spring quarter. They also receive instruction in scientific writing and present a formal research seminar.

Honors Program in Earth System Science

The Honors Program in Earth System Science provides an opportunity for Earth and environmental sciences majors to pursue advanced work in one of the research areas of the department. Evidence of the student's ability and interest in research, overall GPA, and grades in Earth system science courses are examined as part of the application process. Students enroll in honors research in Earth system science their senior year and submit a formal thesis late in the spring quarter.

Honors Program in Mathematics

The Honors Program in Mathematics gives selected upper-division mathematics majors an opportunity to participate in entry-level graduate course work and honors research. Successful completion of the program requires completion of at least a year-long graduate sequence in algebra or analysis, two quarters of honors seminar, and a final quarter in which the honors thesis is submitted.

Honors Program in Physics

The Honors Program in Physics provides an opportunity for physics majors to pursue advanced work in one of the research areas of the department. Evidence of the student's ability and interest in research, overall GPA, and grades in physics courses are examined as part of the application process. Students participate in a year-long course that includes two quarters of research and a final quarter in which a written thesis is submitted.

Lower-Division Honors Courses

The School of Physical Sciences also offers three separate honors sequences to all eligible UCI students. The courses are Chemistry H2A-B-C/H2LA-LB-LC, Chemistry H52A-B-C/H52LA-LB-LC, and Mathematics H2D-E.

School of Social Ecology

Honors Program in the School of Social Ecology

The Social Ecology Honors Program provides the opportunity for social ecology majors to pursue

advanced independent study. Students submit an honors thesis proposal as part of the application process. Invitation to the program is based upon evidence of the student's ability, interest in research, and proposed thesis project. Successful completion of the program requires three quarters of supervised, independent work on a research project, and written and oral presentation of an honors thesis.

Excellence in Research in Psychology and Social Behavior

Provides opportunities for excellent students to pursue advanced study in research methodology and statistics, work closely with faculty, gain research experience, and prepare for graduate school.

School of Social Sciences

Honors Program in Anthropology

The Honors Program in Anthropology is designed to allow undergraduates the opportunity to pursue field research and write an honors thesis on topics of their choice under the guidance of department faculty members. Research projects typically involve a combination of library research, exploratory ethnographic interviews, participatory observation, and systemic data collection and analysis.

Honors Program in Chicano/Latino Studies

The Honors Program in Chicano/Latino Studies is designed to allow students the opportunity to pursue field research and write an honors thesis on topics of their choice under the guidance of Chicano/Latino studies faculty members. Research projects typically involve a combination of library research and field research.

Honors Program in Economics

The Honors Program in Economics provides outstanding students with the opportunity to pursue a year-long research project on topics of their choice, under faculty supervision. Students who have met minimum GPA requirements should apply at the end of their junior year. During their senior year, students participate in a two-quarter seminar sequence, which emphasizes the skills of creative thinking, independent analysis, problem solving, writing, and communication. The centerpiece of the sequence will be the completion of the honors thesis, an independent research project.

Honors Program in International Studies

In this program, majors in international studies engage in research leading to the completion of an honors thesis. Students choose their research topics in consultation with a faculty advisor, and must also complete two college-level language, literature, or culture courses taught in their international language.

Honors Program in Political Science

Students in the Honors Program in Political Science write a thesis on a year-long research project, with the advice of a political science faculty member. Students should apply in the spring of their junior year, should have taken a course with their advisor, and should meet minimum GPA requirements. During the senior year, students enroll in the honors thesis workshop and in three quarters of independent thesis research.

Honors Program in Psychology

The Honors Program in Psychology provides thorough grounding in research methods and culminates with the opportunity for basic research in an area of psychology under faculty supervision. The program seeks to attract outstanding students who plan to undertake postgraduate education in a field of the psychological sciences.

Honors Program in Social Science

Students in the Honors Program in Social Science engage in research leading to the completion of an honors thesis. The topic is selected in consultation with a faculty advisor. The program is composed of three four-unit courses designed to teach students research methods and background.

Honors Program in Sociology

In the Honors Program in Sociology, students write a thesis, designed and carried out under faculty supervision. Projects normally entail an empirical analysis of sociological data. Students meet regularly in a two-quarter honors seminar to design and implement these projects, to exchange ideas, and to help analyze each other's work. In addition, students attend sociology guest lectures and subsequent meetings to discuss relevant sociological issues.

Other Honors Opportunities

Scholarship Opportunities Program

Sharing space with the Campuswide Honors Program Office, the Scholarship Opportunities Program (SOP) assists undergraduate students at the University of California, Irvine, in applying for and winning prestigious scholarships that are international, national, and regional in scope. Through individual advising and group workshops, SOP staff help students develop writing, editing, public speaking and interviewing skills while informing students of scholarship opportunities and the educational, service, research, and/or leadership background they will need to be competitive for the top academic scholarship opportunities in the world. Our experts guide students in matching their talents and experience to prestigious awards and teach students how to navigate applications, endorsements, and supporting materials. In addition to managing the campus level application process for awards requiring UCI endorsement, SOP staff edit students' CVs, provide feedback on application essays, and periodically offer a spring course designed to develop vital communication skills. Additionally, our annual Big Scholarships Workshops in February present practical information and tips on applying for prestigious scholarships as well as firsthand experience from past student winners and faculty. If you are interested in competing for top merit-based awards, contact this program early in your UCI experience.

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP)

UROP encourages and facilitates research and creative activities by undergraduates. Research opportunities are available not only from every discipline, interdisciplinary program, and school, but also from many outside agencies, including national laboratories, industrial partners, and other universities. UROP offers assistance to students and faculty through

all phases of the research activity: proposal writing, developing research plans, resource support, conducting the research and analyzing data, and presenting results of the research at the annual UCI Undergraduate Research Symposium. Calls for proposals are issued in the fall and spring quarters. Projects supported by UROP may be done at any time during the academic year and/or summer, and the research performed must meet established academic standards, and emphasize interaction between the student and the faculty supervisor. In addition, all students participating in faculty-guided research activities are welcome to submit research papers for faculty review and possible publication in the annual UCI Undergraduate Research Journal.

Summer Undergraduate Research Program (SURP)

SURP is administered by UROP. It provides funding for UCI undergraduates from all disciplines who are conducting summer research projects or creative activities under the guidance of UCI faculty members. SURP offers students the opportunity to become immersed in a research topic full-time for a 10-week period or the equivalent of 400 hours. SURP is open to all non-graduating UCI undergraduates who are in good academic standing and who have been involved in a faculty-mentored research project or creative activity for at least one quarter.

Excellence in Research Programs

The School of Biological Sciences, the Department of Cognitive Sciences, and the Department of Psychology and Social Behavior offer Excellence in Research programs. These enable students to pursue research under faculty supervision and to have the opportunity to present their results to peers and faculty and, in certain instances, to have their research papers published.

International Study and Travel Programs

The UCI Center for International Education (CIE) includes the Education Abroad Program and the International Opportunities Program. CIE is a comprehensive resource, counseling, and preparation center that helps students take advantage of the many worldwide opportunities that exist for study, work, internship, volunteering, research, and non-credentialed teaching. Participating in an international educational experience typically introduces students to ways of thinking different from their own, broadens their understanding of the historical and contemporary world, sharpens their interest in particular fields, and enhances their overall intellectual development.

Study Abroad

Honors students are encouraged to enhance their UCI education by studying abroad. There are programs for every major and opportunities in over 50 countries. Early academic planning is encouraged so that you can find the program that is the best match for you and graduate on time. Financial aid, including scholarship, grants and loans, apply to most study-abroad programs. Studying abroad helps UCI graduates achieve the academic, personal, and professional skills necessary to be well-informed, engaged members of the global society. For more information visit www.cie.uci.edu.

International Opportunities Program (IOP)

IOP is the link between UCI students and any international educational experience that occurs outside the boundaries of the United States that is not part of EAP. Center for International Education staff provide information and counseling to assist students in finding an appropriate program to meet their needs and interests. Students may choose from academic study (with transferable credit), paid work, paid or unpaid internships, unpaid or compensated volunteer service, field research, and paid teaching opportunities in nearly every country in the world.

Academic Internship Programs

The Washington, DC (UCDC) and UC Center Sacramento (UCCS) Academic Internship Programs offer undergraduate students from all majors the opportunity to participate in internships, elective courses, and research in our nation's or state capital. The UCDC academic program is offered in fall, winter, or spring quarters, whereas UCCS is offered in winter, spring, or summer. Participants earn 12-16 units of course credit and continue to be registered as full-time UC students. As students from all UC campuses live and attend classes in the UC Washington Center in the nation's capital or attend classes in the UC Center in Sacramento, they form a social and intellectual community throughout the quarter.

Summer Academic Enrichment Program

The Summer Academic Enrichment Program (SAEP) is an intensive, five-week on-campus residential program designed to enhance the academic experience of first generation university students. Students within the program learn from Social Sciences faculty and graduate students the general methods involved with conducting research, performing statistical analysis and communicating findings - essential skills for many students who plan to go on to graduate school.

The Henry Samueli School of Engineering Accelerated M.S. Program

Exceptionally promising UCI engineering students with a minimum cumulative 3.5 GPA may, during their junior or senior year, apply for streamlined admission into an M.S. program within The Henry Samueli School of Engineering.

Scholarships

UC Irvine offers scholarships to students based on academic ability, achievement, and promise. They do not require repayment. Application for most of these scholarships is made via the UC application for admission and scholarships. Although a few honorary scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic excellence alone, many also require that an applicant demonstrate financial need. UC Irvine offers students with proven high academic achievement and leadership potential these top honors awards:

- Regents Scholarships
- Alumni Association Scholarships

Honor Societies with Chapters at UC Irvine

The following scholastic honor societies maintain chapters at UC Irvine for high-achieving students who major in specific disciplines and/or who are pursuing certain graduate professional goals:

Alpha Epsilon Delta	National "Premedical" Honors Society (all majors)
Alpha Kappa Delta	Sociology majors
Chi Epsilon	Civil and Environmental Engineering majors
Dobro Slovo	National Slavic Honors Society
Eta Kappa Nu	Electrical and Computer Engineering majors
Eta Sigma Phi	Classics majors
Golden Key Honor Society	Top 15 percent of all majors
Lambda Alpha Kappa	Anthropology majors
Omega Chi Epsilon	Chemical Engineering majors
Omicron Delta Epsilon	Economics majors
Phi Alpha Theta	History majors
Phi Beta Kappa	Outstanding scholars in the liberal arts and sciences
Phi Lambda Upsilon	Chemistry majors
Pi Gamma Mu	Social Science majors
Pi Sigma Alpha	Political Science majors
Pi Tau Sigma	Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering majors
Psi Chi	Psychology majors
Sigma Delta Pi	National Hispanic Honor Society
Sigma Pi Sigma	Physics majors
Sigma Xi	Outstanding scholars in research
Sigma Iota Rho	International Studies
Tau Beta Pi	Engineering majors

Additional Information

Campuswide Honors Program

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Center for International Education

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Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships

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Scholarship Opportunities Program

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Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program

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