

Honors Program



Northern Illinois University

Policies and Procedures

Category	Policy
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend an advising session each semester of program membership. • Maintain a cumulative NIU GPA of 3.3 or higher to remain in good standing.* • To return to good standing, students must attain a 3.3 cumulative NIU GPA. • Stay active in the program by taking Honors courses or completing Honors Engaged (co-curricular) experiences. After a year of inactivity, students will be placed on inactive status. • Meet with an Honors Advisor to be reinstated into the University Honors Program. • Transferred courses and/or engaged experiences will be awarded to either Full or Associate Honors for up to half of the program requirements (3 for AUH or 6 for FUH).
Curriculum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honors designations must be secured on Honors courses (e.g., ICC, mini-sections, capstone, etc.) during the semester completed; no retroactive Honors credit is given for courses after grades are posted. • Enrolling in an ICC requires completion of the “Honors” portion of the class (except in cases of complete course withdrawal). • The capstone proposal and final paper are due to the University Honors Program by the Sunday after Week #2 and Sunday before finals begin (by 11:59 pm CT), respectively • Students must earn a B- or better in all Honors courses to receive Honors credit.
Honors Engaged	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Honors Engaged experiences are listed in the Suitable app. • Each achievement in the Suitable app is equal to one Honors Engaged experience. • Each experience is unique with a variety of required and optional tasks or events.
Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To remain in good standing, McKearn Fellows must continually demonstrate adequate progress toward the fulfillment of University Honors with a GPA \geq 3.5. • All scholarship recipients (Honors Fellows, Kovacevich, Massey, etc.) must adhere to the NIU student code of conduct, standards on the NIU Honors website, and/or expectations in the award notification.

***Students must have a 3.3 cumulative NIU GPA or higher at the time of graduation to earn and graduate with Associate or Full University Honors.**