

1. Why do Honours Political Science?

Many students seeking to enhance their capacity to produce original research during the Political Science program find that the upper division units in the Major provides somewhat limited opportunities. The 48 upper division units in the Honors also with chairs in those disciplines of the field a specialized area of interest. In their later years, Honours students also take more seminars, thus developing more personal relationships with a range of professors in the cohort and their student cohort, as well as a more advanced knowledge of Political Science methodologies and issues. For many students, the Honours Essay is a key attraction. The chance to conceive of an ambitious research project on a special topic of personal interest, design and carry out a plan for approaching this topic, and then write up the essay in one consultation with a supervisor is a highlight of the undergraduate career.

2. What are the differences between Honours program and the Major?

The main difference between these two programs is that Honours student undertakes unit 5 Honours Seminar in the Fall term, and unit Honours Essay in the Spring term working closely with one supervising professor over two semesters to complete this substantial, specialized research project.

Honours:

- 120 total units
- 60 upper division units choose not to do Honours?

An Honours program is intended to give the student advanced knowledge in one or more areas of the discipline.

It also provides the student with advanced training in their area of specialization.

The Honours program also gives Honours students an impressive amount of advanced

experience. Honours students work closely with professors who have followed the students' work closely and so can

support them with strong, detailed letters of reference. Successful completion of the research and for the yearlong 8,000 to 10,000 word Honours Essay is an accomplishment valued by graduate schools in many fields, as well as by future employers outside of academia.

5. Is an Honours degree necessary for admission to Law School?

No, an Honours degree is not a specific requirement for admission to Law School. Most law schools require a 4-year degree to be eligible.