

# COMMONWEALTH HONORS COLLEGE FULL CURRICULUM

FOR STUDENTS ENTERING UMASS SUMMER 2015 OR LATER

3.400 minimum cumulative GPA at graduation, minimum grade of B or higher in all Honors courses and [45 graded residence credits](#) required

The General Studies Honors Component* (GSH) <i>focuses on breadth of study during (First and Sophomore years)</i>	
Honors Course Requirements	Approved Alternatives
1. ENGLWRIT 112H	If College Writing is completed prior to CHC admission, any Gen Ed Honors Course (3 -or-more cr.)
2. HONORS 201H "Ideas that Change the World" (Gen Ed "I," 4 cr.)	No exceptions
3. HONORS 391AH Special Topics (1 cr.), prerequisite of sophomore standing	No exceptions
4. Gen Ed honors course (3 -or-more cr.)	No exceptions
5. Gen Ed honors course (3 -or-more cr.)	No exceptions

**\*NOTE:** Students pursuing General Studies Honors (GSH) only, without DH or MH, must additionally complete their School's/College's "Integrated Experience" requirement with a grade of "B" or higher.

The Advanced Scholarship Component (AS) <i>focuses on preparation for and completion of an honors thesis or project (Junior and Senior years)</i>		
<p><b>Multidisciplinary Honors (MH) - default option</b></p> <p>A <b>Multidisciplinary Honors (MH) program</b> is the best choice for students who wish to pursue honors work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outside of their primary major or</li> <li>• Between two or more disciplines</li> </ul> <p>MH requires:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One any-level Honors Course</li> <li>• One 300-level or higher Honors Course</li> <li>• Honors Thesis or Project (6 -or-more credits on one topic)</li> </ul> <p>See: <a href="http://www.honors.umass.edu/multidisciplinaryhonors">www.honors.umass.edu/multidisciplinaryhonors</a></p>	O R	<p><b>Departmental Honors (DH) - by request</b></p> <p>A <b>Departmental Honors (DH) program</b> is the best choice for students who wish to pursue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced scholarship in their major</li> <li>• Graduate studies in their major or related field</li> <li>• A career related to their major</li> </ul> <p>DH tracks will meet or exceed these criteria*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two -or-more departmental honors courses; at least one at the 300-level or higher</li> <li>• Departmental Honors Thesis or Project (6-or-more credits on one topic)</li> </ul> <p>*View your department's specific DH requirements at: <a href="http://www.honors.umass.edu/departmentalhonors">www.honors.umass.edu/departmentalhonors</a></p>