

“Think like an economist.”



University Honors Program

Economics majors who excel in this field during their early years in the program will be invited at the end of their second year to become honors students. Completion of the honors sequence means that you work closely with an adviser on your thesis and your BA degree is awarded "with honors". This distinction is noted on your diploma, transcript, and in the commencement program. The University requires that you *complete* your degree with a minimum GPA of 3.3.

The honors track is composed of a four-course sequence completed in the third and fourth years

- 2 courses chosen from the 300-level departmental listings taken for honors credit.
- A 1-unit Honors Seminar (Econ 490) and an independent research unit (Econ 491). The seminar is a fall offering, part of which is developing a proposal for your independent study. The actual research component is a spring offering. This is a Fall-Spring senior year sequence.

The honors track does *not* involve *additional* courses other than 490/491. Each honors student simply follows a more challenging path in meeting the requirements for the major. The Honors sequence fulfills the Senior Capstone requirement. Courses for honors credit may *not* be taken abroad. Students interested in honors and planning to study abroad should discuss the program with Dr. Linask in advance of their semester abroad.

Herman P. Thomas Scholarship in Economics

Applications are due in February each year. Scholarships are awarded in May for the following academic year. The amounts awarded vary.

Robert L. Taylor Award

The Robert L. Taylor Award for Excellence in Economics was created in memory of Robert Lawrence Taylor,

Economics

<https://robins.richmond.edu/undergraduate/economics/index.html>