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**Department Code:** Department of Business Dean (WCBD)

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Program Delivery
Method
   On Campus

Is this program interdisciplinary?
Yes

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Does this proposal impact any courses from another College/School?
No

Program Requirements and Description

Requirements

Honors Program
Walton College honors program consists of two components: the four-year Walton Scholars Program and the Departmental Scholars Program. Students participating in the honors program will be eligible to graduate *cum laude, magna cum laude,* or *summa cum laude.* Students who do not participate in the honors program are
eligible to graduate with distinction, a classification separate from the *cum laude* awards. Honors program students will receive priority for participation in the Arkansas Cooperative Education Program, SAKE, the portfolio management class, and financial support for study-abroad programs. They also have access to an honors study area.

**Graduation with Honors**

The bachelor’s degree *summa cum laude* (with highest honors), *magna cum laude* (with high honors), or *cum laude* (with honors) may be conferred only upon those students who have successfully completed the Walton College Honors Program. Both Walton Scholars and Departmental Scholars are eligible for these designations. Students whose cumulative grade-point average place them in the top 10 percent of their graduating class but who have not completed the Honors Program are eligible for the designation “With Distinction” on their official transcript. Among those students completing the Honors Program, the designations *summa cum laude*, *magna cum laude* and *cum laude* shall be determined as follows:

Top 20 percent of students completing the Honors Program: *Summa Cum Laude*

Next 30 percent of students completing the Honors Program: *Magna Cum Laude*

Next 50 percent of students completing the Honors Program: *Cum Laude*

No honors degree will be conferred upon a candidate who has not completed at least 50 percent of his or her degree work at the University of Arkansas or who, in the last four semesters of attendance, has a cumulative grade-point average of less than 3.00 or has received a “D” or “F” in any course in the last semester. Certain other requirements will be outlined on request by the associate dean for undergraduate studies.

**Eligibility for the Honors Program**

Admission will be offered to incoming freshmen with a minimum ACT/SAT score of 28/1240 or higher and a high school GPA of 3.75. Honors students are required to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.50 with no grades of “D” or “F” in any course to remain in the program. All honors students are required to meet with the associate director for honors programs each semester to monitor progress of honors requirements. Students who maintain a GPA of 3.50 but do not complete honors requirements in a timely manner are subject to removal from the Honors Program at the discretion of the director of the honors program.

**Probation Guidelines**

a. **Honors Enrollment Exceptions**

If students are admitted into the Walton Honors program as first-semester freshmen with the qualifying criteria (3.75 minimum HS GPA and 28 ACT/1310 SAT), and have their HS GPA recalculated to be lower than the qualifying criteria after successful admission, those students will be placed on a one-semester probation during their first semester at the University of Arkansas.

b. **First Time on Probation Students**

Members of the Walton Honors program must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher. Should a student’s GPA fall below 3.50, that student will be placed on honors probation for the following semester. During this probationary period, the student will retain the privileges of membership in the Walton Honors Program and Honors College, and they will have the chance to raise their cumulative University of Arkansas...
GPA to 3.50. If at the end of the probationary semester the student’s cumulative GPA remains below 3.50, the student will be removed from the Walton Honors program and the Honors College, with the following exception. Students whose semester GPA was above 3.75 during their first probationary semester will be granted a single additional probationary semester. If at the end of the second probationary semester the student’s cumulative GPA remains below 3.50, the student will be removed from the Walton Honors program.

Requirements for Walton Scholars Program:

Complete 17 hours in honors courses with a minimum of 9 hours completed from the following honors business courses: ACCT 2013H, BLAW 2013H, ECON 2013H, ECON 2023H, ISYS 2103H, MGMT 2103H, MKTG 3433H, SCMT 2103H, or WCOB 1033H (excluding WCOB 1111H). The remaining honors hours may be selected from the University Core. Completing honors courses in the Fulbright College will fulfill this requirement. MATH 2564 may be used as honors credit towards completion of the 17 required honors hours. Students must complete a minimum of 12 honors hours within the first 30 hours at the Fayetteville campus.

Demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language. This requires 0 to 12 hours of course work. Students may demonstrate proficiency by completing the 2013-level course in any foreign language. Students whose native language is not English must complete a 2013-level course other than their native language from Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Spanish or COMM 2303 and COMM 2323. Students must complete a foreign language or communications course within the first 90 hours at the Fayetteville campus. Students must also complete MATH 2554 with a grade of “C” within the first 45 hours at the Fayetteville campus prior to taking upper level business classes.

Complete the following honors courses in Walton College:

- Two 3-hour colloquium courses chosen from the following: WCOB 3003H (may be repeated for up to 6 hours of credit), ACCT 4003H, ACCT 4123H, ECON 4003H, FINN 4003H, ISYS 4003H, MGMT 4003H, MKTG 4003H, SCMT 4003H, HNRC 300VH, HNRC 301VH, or HNRC 4013H (or other honors colloquium courses (3000/4000 level only) offered in other colleges with approval of the Honors Director). The following courses may be repeated for up to 6 hours of credit with prior approval: WCOB 3003H, ACCT 4003H, ECON 4003H, FINN 4003H, ISYS 4003H, MGMT 4003H, MKTG 4003H, SCMT 4003H. At least 3 hours one of the 3-hour honors colloquium courses must be from the Walton College. Any ordinarily count toward fulfilling general education electives and would not count toward junior/senior business elective credit. Additionally, one 3-hour honors colloquium must be completed within the first 90 hours.

A three-hour thesis (WCOB 499VH): WCOB 4993H. The thesis is a major independent writing project under the leadership of a Walton College or University of Arkansas faculty member and arises from a research project, business plan, business competition, or internship.

Complete an alternate honors capstone course MGMT 3013H Honors Strategic Management, which should be completed within the first 90 hours at the Fayetteville campus.

Requirements for the Departmental Scholars program:
Admission to the Honors Program as a departmental scholar will only be offered to current University of Arkansas students who have established a cumulative GPA of 3.75 upon completion of their freshmen year at the University of Arkansas. Transfer students may also apply upon completion of one semester at the University of Arkansas with a GPA of 3.75. All students must complete an application to be considered for acceptance into the departmental scholars program.

Honors students are required to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.50 with no grades of “D” or “F” in any course to remain in the program. All honors students are required to meet with the associate director for honors programs each semester to monitor progress of honors requirements. Students who maintain a GPA of 3.50 but do not complete honors requirements in a timely manner are subject to removal from the Honors Program at the discretion of the director of the honors program.

Complete nine hours of honors courses to be selected from pre-business core or University Core. MATH 2564 may be used as honors credit towards completion of the 9 required honors hours.

Students must demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language by completing a 2003 course in any foreign language. Students whose native language is not English must complete a 2003-level course other than their native language or a third language from Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Spanish or COMM 2303.

Students must also complete with a grade of “C” or better within the first 60 hours at the Fayetteville campus and prior to taking upper level business courses.

Complete the following courses in Walton College:

- Two 3-hour colloquium courses chosen from the following: WCOB 3003H (May be repeated for up to 6 hours of credit), ACCT 4003H, ACCT 4123H, ECON 4003H, FINN 4003H, ISYS 4003H, MGMT 4003H, MKTG 4003H, SCMT 4003H, HNRC 300VHHNRC 301VH, HNRC 4013H (or HNRC 4013H or other honors colloquium courses (3000/4000 level only) offered in other colleges with approval of the Honors Director). The following courses may be repeated for up to 6 hours of credit with prior approval: WCOB 3003H, ACCT 4003H, ECON 4003H, FINN 4003H, ISYS 4003H, MKTG 4003H, MGMT 4003H, SCMT 4003H. At least 3 hours one of the 3-hour honors colloquium courses must be from the Walton College. Any Ordinarily, any course outside of the Walton College would count toward fulfilling general education electives and would not count toward junior/senior business elective credit. Additionally, one 3-hour honors colloquium must be completed within the first 90 hours.

- A three-hour thesis (WCOB 499VH): WCOB 4993H: The thesis is a major independent writing project under the leadership of a Walton College or University of Arkansas faculty member and arises from a research project, business plan, business competition, or internship.

Complete the honors capstone course MGMT 3013H Honors Strategic Management, which should be completed within the first 90 hours at the Fayetteville campus.

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| - add ACCT 4123H, HNRC 300VH and HNRC 301VH to the list of options to meet the requirements for both the departmental and college colloquium requirements  
- clarify courses completed toward the colloquium requirements outside of Walton count toward general education elective credit and will not count toward junior/senior business elective credit  
- remove language related to completion of the colloquium requirements within the first 90 hours | To provide additional options for students to meet department and college colloquium requirements and clarify which courses will and will not count toward junior/senior business elective credit. |

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Reviewer Comments

**Alice Griffin (agriffin) (04/10/19 8:01 am):** Changed catalog effective date from fall 2019 to fall 2020. It is too late to complete the approval process to meet the catalog deadline for this fall.