

## **Fort Hays State University Honors College: Automatic Honors Experiences**

Automatic Honors Experiences will not count as credit generating honors experiences. At least half of all Honors Experiences need to be credit-generating.

**NOTE ON VERIFICATION:** Automatic Honors Experiences that are not positions within the Honors College or KAMS require verification, usually by email to [fhsuhonorscollege@fhsu.edu](mailto:fhsuhonorscollege@fhsu.edu). See each description for details.

### **A. Competitive Academic Programs**

Students accepted into a competitive academic program, excluding major programs (Nursing, Radiology Technology, Athletic Training etc.,) may use this as an Automatic Honors Experience. The program must involve some form of a class throughout the program. Students must **submit verification** of acceptance into the program. Examples of programs which meet these requirements include Noyce, VALUE, and the Institute of New Media Studies.

### **B. Professional Conference Presentation**

Students accepted or invited to present their undergraduate research in an individual or group presentation at a professional conference may use this as an Automatic Honors Experience. The student must **submit verification** of the invitation, and provide a research advisor/professor contact. Poster presentations at SACAD will not count under this category.

### **C. Peer-reviewed or Juried National Publication, Exhibition or Performance**

Students with written or creative work accepted for publication, exhibition, or performance in a nationally disseminated, peer-reviewed or juried venue may use this as an Automatic Honors Experience. Students must **submit verification** of the acceptance and contact information for any advisor/professor who supervised the project. Presentations at SACAD will not count under this category.

### **D. Nationally Competitive Scholarship Application**

Any student who applies for a nationally competitive scholarship and works directly with the Honors College scholarship advisor can use this as an Honors Experience. Students must **submit verification** either of a successfully submitted complete application (from the scholarship organization), or from the scholarship advisor that an unsubmitted application was pursued in satisfactory depth. Maximum of 2 applications can be used.

### **E. National Officership**

Any student who serves as an officer with a national organization may count this service as an Honors Experience. **Submit verification** from the organization. Maximum of 2 semesters can be used.

#### **F. Honors Ambassador Position (unpaid)**

Honors Ambassadors serve as part of the MPO (Marketing, Publicity, and Outreach) team to assist in recruitment and promotion of the Honors College program. This position may count only once per year as an Automatic Honors Experience, and for a maximum of two years.

#### **G. Leadership Team Positions (paid) WEC/Outreach Coordinator**

Because of the immense commitment to these paid positions students can also receive an Automatic Honors Experience. This position may count only once per year as an Automatic Honors Experience, and for a maximum of two years.

#### **H. Early and Honors College Executive Council (EHCEC) President (unpaid)**

This position may have the option of getting paid or receiving an Automatic Honors Experience. (If position was taken as a KAMS student, and was unpaid, it may be used as an Automatic Honors Experience when student enters the Honors College.) This position may count only once per year as an Automatic Honors Experience, and for a maximum of two years.

#### **I. Honors College Peer Mentor**

Any student selected to serve as an Honors College peer mentor may use this as an Honors Experience. This position may count only once per year as an Automatic Honors Experience, and for a maximum of two years.

#### **J. Study Abroad**

Students accepted into a formal, credit-granting study abroad program for which they will receive the equivalent of at least 3 credits may use this program as an Automatic Honors Experience. Study abroad experiences required by a student's primary major cannot count as Automatic Honors Experiences. Academic credit must appear on the student's FHSU transcript in order for this Automatic Honors Experience to be granted. A maximum of 2 semesters of study abroad may be used for an Automatic Honors Experience.

#### **K. Internships**

Students accepted as interns (paid or unpaid) at businesses or non-profit/community organizations may count this as an Automatic Honors Experience. Internships required by a student's major may not be used as Automatic Honors Experiences. Internships are expected to require a minimum of at least 15 hours of formal work. Students must provide the Honors Director and Administrative Specialist with the name and contact information of the supervisor of the internship. The student must assure that the **supervisor submits verification** that the internship expectations were satisfactorily met. A maximum of 2 internships can be used for an Automatic Honors Experience.

**Automatic Honors Experience Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Which Automatic Honors Experience are you doing (indicate one)?

- A. Competitive Academic Programs
- B. Professional Conference Presentation
- C. Peer-reviewed or Juried National Publication, Exhibition or Performance
- D. Nationally Competitive Scholarship Application
- E. National Officership
- F. Honors Ambassador Position
- G. Leadership Team Position
- H. EHCEC Council President
- I. Honors College Peer Mentor
- J. Study Abroad
- K. Internship

- Please describe what you will be doing, in relation to the selection you made:
  
- Contact information: advisor/professor (conference presentation etc) or supervisor (for internship):

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Please provide any verification information with this form, in person or via email to [fhsuhonorscollege@fhsu.edu](mailto:fhsuhonorscollege@fhsu.edu).

I have read and understand the requirements listed above for the Automatic Honors Experience. I understand that the Automatic Honors Experiences will not count as credit-generating Honors Experiences, even if there is a class involved (with the possible exception of sufficiently intensive study abroad). I understand that I am responsible for promptly submitting all necessary verification. If, during the course of the experience, I am unable to fulfill the requirements set forth by the program, I will not receive credit for the Honors Experience.

Honors College Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Received by Honors College Staff \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Verified by Honors College Staff \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_