

# Honors Scholar (Track 2) Checksheet

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

CSUID: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

## J&TC Honors Scholar (Track 2) requirements (16/17 credits)

Students must earn a cumulative 3.5 (3.456) GPA at graduation, complete an honors thesis, and complete the same number of credits required for the JTC major and declared concentration. 16-17 credits must be in specific coursework outlined below. Students admitted to Track 2 as first-semester freshmen will complete 17 credits and need to take IU 193H. All other Track 2 students will complete 16 credits and do not take IU 193H. All IU and HONR courses count towards the 65 credits in the College of Liberal Arts/Natural Sciences (II.E.)

**IU 193H Freshmen Seminar** (first-semester freshmen only) \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

**HONR 399 Honors Pre-Thesis** (Junior year) \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

**HONR 499 Senior Honors Thesis** (Senior year) \_\_\_\_\_ (3)

*One Designated Honors course*

**JTC 471 Communication Research Methods** (Junior year) \_\_\_\_\_ (3)  
*Fulfills the Upper Division Concept Course requirement (II.A.).*

*One Graduate-level course*

**Any JTC 500-level course** \_\_\_\_\_ (3)  
*Fulfills the JTC Elective requirement. JTC 500 not allowed.*

*Two Honors Option courses*

**Any JTC course** \_\_\_\_\_ (3)  
*Recommended: JTC 411 or JTC 415 to fulfill Law or Ethics requirement (II.A.). JTC 484, 487, 495 not allowed.*

**Specific JTC course listed below in concentration** \_\_\_\_\_ (3)  
*Fulfills a specific requirement in declared concentration.*

Computer-Mediated Communication Concentration (choose one)

JTC 335 Digital Photojournalism  
JTC 365 Computer Mediated Communication Foundations  
JTC 373 Digital Promotion Management

News-Editorial Concentration (choose one)

JTC 320 Reporting  
JTC 328 Feature Writing  
JTC 361 Writing for Specialized Magazines  
JTC 461 Writing about Science, Health and Environment

Public Relations Concentration (choose one)

JTC 351 Public Relations Practices  
JTC 353 Public Relations Campaigns

Specialized and Technical Communication Concentration (choose one)

JTC 361 Writing for Specialized Magazines  
JTC 461 Writing about Science, Health and Environment  
JTC 464 Technical Writing

Television News and Video Communication Concentration (choose one)

JTC 341 Broadcast News  
JTC 343 Advanced Television News Production  
JTC 345 Electronic Field Production  
JTC 544 Corporate and Institutional Media Production

## Procedures for Students – JTC Honors Scholars

### What is an Honors Option course?

The Honors Option enables an Honors student to convert a regular course into an Honors course when the instructor and the Honors student agree on an additional enriching academic experience. The Honors Option may be selected to fulfill the requirements of the new Honors Core Curriculum (“two courses in the major”) or the Track 2 requirements in the major. It may also be used for elective Honors credit.

### *Enriched Academic Experience:*

The enriched academic experience is equivalent to approximately one credit of academic work. This enrichment should allow Honors students to pursue their intellectual interests and gain more knowledge about topics related to the course while fostering one-on-one interactions among faculty and Honors students. Some examples of course enrichment for Honors Options are listed below. In addition to these, there are many other possibilities.

- A research paper
- Additional experiments in a laboratory
- Written reviews of books or professional journal articles
- An oral presentation to the class or another appropriate audience
- Additional creative artistry
- A service-learning activity that is connected to the course’s academic content
- A design project

### *The Process:*

1. It is the Honors student’s responsibility to meet with the instructor to discuss the possibility of an Honors Option. If the instructor agrees, the student and professor will determine the enriching educational experience and develop a plan for completion;
2. The specific requirements for completing the enriching educational experience must be clearly stated on the Honors Option form;
3. The student and instructor must sign the agreement form;
4. The student will deliver the completed form to the University Honors Program office in B102 Academic Village for approval by the Honors Program Director no later than by the end of the fifth week of classes;
5. After grades are posted, the “Honors” designation will be added to the student’s transcript.

### *Grading:*

The grade for the Honors Option will be the combined grade for both the regular portion and the Honors Option portion of the course.

**Please Remember:** This constitutes a contract between the student and the faculty member. Once the student has elected to complete an Honors Option, he or she must fulfill the specific requirements of the Honors Option agreement to receive credit for the course.

(This form is available from the website at <http://www.honors.colostate.edu/ContinuingStudent/option.html>)