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There is a University Honors Program on each campus. In addition, for students who are particularly interested in global issues, there is the Global Scholars Program on the Metropolitan Campus (see this page) and Living Learning communities are being developed with various disciplines at the Florham Campus (see page 56). Students may participate in the University Honors Program and the campus-specific programs at the same time.

University Honors Program

The University Honors Program recognizes students of high academic achievement and talent. It offers gifted and motivated students the opportunity to pursue a course of college study that combines a broad liberal education with intensive, guided study in a particular major field of interest. The Honors Program encourages experiential learning outside of the classroom. Students are offered the opportunity to take advantage of New York City's and New Jersey's varied cultural and educational resources, to undertake independent research and to prepare a senior honors thesis.

The curriculum of the University Honors Program features advanced honors sections of the University Core curriculum as well as a variety of other honors-level studies.

Freshman Year

Honors Academic Writing ENWR1101 (Metropolitan Campus only)

Honors Academic Research and Writing ENWR1102 (Metropolitan Campus only)

Honors College Writing ENGW1101 (Florham Campus only)

Honors Core 1001 UNIV1001 Transitioning to University Life; UNIV1002 Preparing for Professional Life

Honors Research Writing ENGW1102 (Florham Campus only)

Honors Contemporary Math 1126 (Florham Campus only)

Honors General Psychology 1101 (Florham Campus only)

Honors Development of Theater 1202 (Florham Campus only)

Sophomore Year

UNIV2001/Honors Core 2003 Cross-cultural Perspectives

UNIV2002/Honors Core 3004 Global Issues

English 2201 Masterpieces of World Literature I (Metropolitan Campus only)

English 2202 Masterpieces of World Literature II (Metropolitan Campus only)

Junior Year

HON3301 Junior Honors Seminar

Senior Year

HON4402 Senior Honors Research

HON4401 Senior Honors Thesis

The FDU Honors Program scholar is a student interested in sharing in the community of scholarship and collegiality of the University. Each member of the program is an individual who has demonstrated a high degree of academic competency, intellectual curiosity and personal maturity. The honors student is an individual who has shown promise of benefiting from a program with specially focused curricular requirements, individual guidance and independent study. Honors students are eligible for Honors housing. They participate in special extracurricular activities and present at regional and national Honors conferences. Entering freshmen with a 3.33 (B+) grade point ratio in high school (3.25 Florham Campus), combined SAT scores of 1,150 or an ACT score of 25 or higher are eligible for consideration to participate in the Honors Program. Any qualified transfer student or currently enrolled student may apply for membership in the University Honors Program prior to the second semester of the junior year.

For detailed information about the University Honors Program, please contact the University Honors Program Office on each campus.

Global Scholars Program (Metropolitan Campus)

The Global Scholars Program at the Metropolitan Campus is a four-year selective program for entering full-time freshman resident students of any major. The program is a logical outcome of Fairleigh Dickinson University's mission as an institution developing a global perspective for tomorrow's leaders. It offers an organized

and integrated course of study that combines intensive academic multidisciplinary learning environments with a cross spectrum of cultural living experiences on and off campus.

Global Scholars attend a minimum of seven experiential learning programs per semester on and off campus. These include visits to the United Nations with opportunities for private briefings and internships, lectures by and receptions with ambassadors and international scholars, participation in a variety of cultural and artistic events and visits to museums. Scholars are required to participate in winter session co-curricular field experiences abroad in both their freshman and senior years. A study-abroad semester is also required. These cultural immersion experiences are intended to enrich the academic quality of a global education of all participants in this distinctive program.

A two-year residency in the Global Scholars hall is required. As a microcosm of the University's cultural and global richness, this living-and-learning experience provides a supportive, culturally diverse environment that encourages dialogue and the exchange of ideas and fosters personal contacts. Facilities include a kitchen area, online accessibility in every room and computer availability.

The Global Scholars Program at the Metropolitan Campus consists of 18 credits distributed among the campus's three academic colleges. All Global Scholars take designated sections of UNIV1001 Transitioning to University Life, Global Scholars Seminar in Political Studies (cultural experience abroad) and a capstone Winter Session (cultural experience abroad). Because this selective program accepts a limited number of applicants, entering or transfer freshmen are encouraged to apply as early as possible. Students should use the following formula to determine their eligibility: Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) x 200 + Combined SAT score using only critical reading and math = 1750 (or higher). A letter of recommendation is required.

Qualified Metropolitan Campus students may enroll concurrently in the Global Scholars Program and the University Honors Program.