

HELEN LOUISE HAWK HONORS PROGRAM (HHHP)

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- ✚ The Helen Louise Hawk Honors program is a 4-year CSUB program
- ✚ The invitation to apply to the program is sent out once a year by the end of the Spring semester
- ✚ The Helen Louise Hawk Honors program is NOT currently available to:
 - Sophomores
 - Juniors
 - Seniors
 - AV campus
 - Transfer students
- ✚ Minimum required GPA to **join** the program: 3.7 and above
- ✚ Minimum required GPA to **remain** in the program: 3.2 and above

HHHP STUDENT GROUPS

- ✚ The program serves three distinct groups of CSUB students:
 1. Incoming First-Year students **WITHOUT AP OR Dual Enrollment credits**
 2. Incoming First-Year students **WITH AP AND/OR Dual Enrollment credits**
 3. Incoming First-Year students **WITH Upper Division Thematic Courses Exemption**

HHHP REQUIREMENTS

- ✚ During the **FOUR** years of their studies at CSUB, the Helen Louise Hawk Honors students are required to successfully complete the following honors requirements:

FIVE honors courses (section 21)

- 2 GE Lower Division Honors
- 2 GE Upper Division Honors
- JYDR Honors

HIP: Honors individual Project to be completed during their final senior year at CSUB

HHHP COURSES

✚ The HHHP courses are:

- strictly reserved for the **Helen Louise Hawk Honors Program students** with NO exceptions for any other kind of honors students
- part of the students' GE Lower & Upper Division requirements
- designated as sections 21
- blended with non-honors sections
- assigned a limited number of seats

IMPORTANT NOTES

- ✚ The HHHP offers several JYDR honors blended sections every semester
- ✚ A few of the JYDR honors courses are offered once a year, usually during the fall semester
- ✚ Preference should be given to the Honors students whose JYDR is part of their major, since it double counts
- ✚ The HHHP highly recommends PHIL 3318.21: Professional Ethics since it satisfies TWO graduation requirements:
 1. GE UD Area C
 - and
 2. GWAR

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COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Group 1: Incoming FIRST-YEAR students

NO AP NOR Dual Enrollment credits

ALL HHHP students in this group should satisfy the honors requirement during the 4-yr span of their studies at CSUB. The OVERALL requirements for a student to graduate as a Helen Louise Hawk Honors graduate are

SIX:

- **TWO** GE LOWER Division Honors Courses (sect. 21)
- **JYDR** (sect. 21)
- **TWO** GE UPPER Division Honors Thematic Courses (sect. 21)
- **HIP**: Honors Individual Project

Group 2: Incoming FIRST-YEAR students

WITH AP and/or Dual Enrollment credits

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Group 3: Incoming FIRST-YEAR students
WITH AP and/or Dual Enrollment credits
and
Upper Division Thematic Courses Exemption

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