

The Honors Program in Social Science Education enables superior and highly motivated students to engage in an in-depth study of topics within SSE of interest to them and to develop their scholarly abilities in this interdisciplinary field of study.

1. To enter the honors program in SSE, a student must be a SSE major, be a junior or senior with at least 30 credit hours completed towards the SSE major, have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 overall and 3.5 in the major, and apply to the Director of the SSE Program for admission no later than the beginning of their senior year. Students are advised to meet with the Director of SSE prior to submission of the application.
2. The application for admission must include a brief statement of eligibility and a 1-2 page summary of the proposed honors research paper, including a research question and bibliography. The paper should be approximately 20 pages long and interdisciplinary, although it should have a focus in either History or Political Science. The application must include the name of a faculty member in History or Political Science who has agreed to serve as the advisor for the paper. Once the application is approved, the student will be given permission to register for either PLS 4910 or HST 4950 which will substitute for a mandatory upper-level history or political science course.
3. Honors will be awarded if a letter grade of A or B is assigned by the advisor for PLS 4910 or HST 4950 and if, in addition, candidates for SSE Honors complete at least one University Honors Seminar (UH 4000). If a student fails to meet these grading and course requirements, s/he will not graduate with Honors in SSE, but can still count PLS 4910 or HST 4950 towards their major if completed with a grade of C.

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