IVC Honors Program: Pathways to Success

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Our Goal:

To meet the needs of our academically talented and highly motivated students seeking transfer to a university
Benefits of the Honors Program to Honors Students

- Smaller classes (≤ 20) with students who share similar abilities and common transfer goals
- Enriched coursework – including research projects
- Priority admission consideration at many transfer institutions, including UCI and UCLA
- Priority registration and transcript annotation
Benefits to Honors Students

- Special recognition at graduation
- Increased scholarship opportunities
- Specialized counseling appointments
- HTCC Student Research Conference Participation at UC Irvine
- BHC Honors Research Symposium at Stanford University
The UCLA TAP Pathway
What is UCLA TAP?

A collaboration between certain CA CC Honors/Scholars Programs, UCLA College of Letters (Letters and Science), and UCLA Undergraduate Admissions:

- Fosters Excellence at the CCs through Honors Programs
- CCs provide enriched curricula emphasizing critical thinking and research
- Promotes Diversity at UCLA
- Enhances Retention for UCLA
### Profile of CA Community College Transfer Admits to UCLA

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UCLA TAP

TAP Certified Members

IVC Honors Program

Fall 06
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TAP Apps
TAP Admit
TAP SIRS
The UCI Transfer Agreement Pathway
UCI Honors Transfer Agreement

Students completing Honors Program Requirements receive Priority Admission Review by UCI
UCI - Transfer Honors Enrollment Guarantee’s Benefits to Transfers

- Invitation to join the UCI Campuswide Honors Program (CHP) – open to almost all majors incl. Engineering
- Commitment to a senior thesis with mentor required
- Priority Registration
- UROP advising
- Early and Guaranteed Admission to UCI
- Guaranteed 2 years housing at UCI with other CHP’ers
- Special advising/counseling
- Priority for Merit-based Regents’ Scholarship fund ($5000 + need-based funding over 2 years + $1000 for 2 summers)
- CHP Locus study lounge
UCI - Transfer Honors Enrollment Guarantee

**31** IVC students qualified for the Pilot Program for Fall 2009 (6 CC Honors Programs: IVC, OCC, Saddleback, Cerritos, Cypress, and Santa Ana)

**UC App + Honors Program Member in good standing + ≥ 3.5 GPA + completing Honors Program + 60 transf. units + Min. major prep + UC Composition (2) and Math (1) requirements = THE Guarantee into UCI’s Campuswide Honors Program
The HTCC Pathway
**Honors Transfer Council of California (HTCC)**

- **Consortium** > 50 California Community Colleges with Honors/Scholars Programs
- **HTCC negotiates special transfer agreements linking community college honors/scholars programs to specific universities, large or small, public or private.**
- **Students completing HTCC Honors Programs enjoy enhanced transfer consideration at the HTCC partner-campuses, e.g., guaranteed or priority acceptance, special scholarships, housing priority, and a range of other academic and social benefits such as library privileges even before transfer.**
HTCC Transfer Partners Include:

- UC Irvine
- UC Riverside
- Cal Poly Pomona
- Loyola Marymount
- Cal State Fullerton
- Pomona College
- San Diego State University
- UC Santa Cruz
- Chapman University
HTCC Student Research Conference

9th Annual conference, hosted by UC Irvine was held February 28, 2009

Over 150 CC Students from HTCC member colleges made oral or poster presentations of their faculty-mentored research projects. Over 400 students, faculty and guests attended.
The Columbia University
General Studies
Pathway
Since Fall 2005, eleven IVC Honors Program students are “continuing their story” at Columbia University’s School of General Studies - completing Bachelors Degrees ranging from Neuroscience and Philosophy to Economics and Mathematics. Two have completed graduate work there.
Columbia University’s School of General Studies is eager to work with our non-traditional Honors Program students to help make the dream of a degree from Columbia University a reality.
Our Local Pathways
IVC Honors Program’s Best Practices

- Honors Class enrollment cap ≤ 20
- Over 42 Honors classes per year; Honors classroom
- Transcript annotation & Graduation medallion
- Honors Lounge – study area, kitchenette, adjacent Honors classroom
- Certificate of Membership / Graduation Medallion
- Priority registration
- Honors Newsletter
- Honors Orientations and Information Sessions
- Honors Website
- Spring Transfer Celebration
- Honors Advisory Committee (faculty + VPI + students)
- Honors Scholarships
In Conclusion:

- IVC Honors Program provides excellent opportunities and unique pathways for students intending to transfer.
- College-wide, student recruitment and retention are boosted by having a successful Honors Program.
- Faculty are reinvigorated and stimulated when they teach Honors classes.
- Irvine Valley Honors Program receives great support from the IVC administration, faculty and all campus leadership and student support services, and it is with that support that our programs succeed.
Please consider allowing us to join in with you on your Pathway to Success!