

**Florida Atlantic University
University Honors Council Agenda**

24 March 2014

3-4:30 pm

Boca – GS 214 B

Jupiter – HC 130

Agenda

- 1) Approval of Minutes** (17 February 2014 meeting)—sent electronically prior to meeting
- 2) Discuss the revised Honors in Anthropology Program.** This has gone to the Arts and Letters Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. (Items sent electronically prior to meeting). Dr. Brown will be joining us.

3) Discussion of a proposal to be added to the end of section 2 of the “Florida Atlantic University Honors Curriculum Manual”:

This discussion item will have to do with changing thesis courses (e.g.: 4970/ 4971/ 4972) to a DIS (4905) if the student does not complete the capstone project or if the student does not receive the minimum grade required by that student’s program. Here’s the proposed text:

If a student is unable to complete the thesis for an honors program or if the student will not earn the minimum grade required for the honors program, the faculty mentor may request that the student’s thesis credits be converted to Pass/Fail DIS credits. The request for the course change must be approved by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies (or, in the case of students at the Honors College, by the Dean of the Honors College), before submission to the University Registrar.

4) Discussion of an appeal involving an Honors Compact (Accounting Scholars Program) as per Section 5, item 9 under “Procedures.” (Items sent electronically prior to the meeting). Item 9 reads: Any appeals involving an honors compact should be directed to the chair of the University Honors Council who will consult with the UHC before acting on the appeal. Normal university deadlines for all grade changes will still apply

- a. Should the UHC consider expanding that item using as a model, the Accounting Scholars Program model?

5) Discussion of Honors in Mathematical Sciences (Dr. Kalies would like our input—I believe it still has to go to the College of Science’s Undergraduate Curriculum Committee). (Items sent electronically prior to meeting)

6) Discussion of Honors in Elementary Education (Dr. Patty Kirsch would like our input. I believe it has gone to the College of Education’s Undergraduate Curriculum Committee). (Items sent electronically prior to meeting)

7) Discussion (if the proposal has made it through the College of Arts and Letters Curriculum Committee) New course proposal (POS 4972 Honors Thesis in Political Science (Dr. Mirya Holman) (No documents sent prior to meeting).

8) Discuss changes to Section 4 Commencement Distinction for Honors Graduates

of the “Florida Atlantic University Honors Administrative Manual”

This discussion will be based on items brought to the meeting: samples of cords/braids/stoles/pricing

a) these changes have to do with

- 1) the selection of silver cords (\$2.60 for two tied) versus braids (very costly)
- 2) providing a template for a uniform certificate
- 2) have the Office of Undergraduate Studies provide both items

9) Announcements: Undergraduate Research Symposium: 28 March 8:30am-4 pm.
UHP’s Reading selection for Fall 2015, volunteers to join a committee

10) Other business: Next meeting: Monday, April 21st, 2-3???

11) Adjourn