The honors program serves academically talented and ambitious students who value intellectual growth and want to make the most of their undergraduate education. The program provides students a flexible, challenging, and innovative curriculum that helps them develop academically, personally, and professionally. Students of all majors at UTRGV may join the honors program. In fact, no one particular academic major or career goal is more suited to the program than any other. Membership in the honors program is a privilege and a commitment, but previous graduates of the program have found it a tremendous source of enrichment as they move through and beyond UTRGV into various avenues of success.

The honors program is always interested in students who wish to think big when it comes to their academic and professional ambitions.

A – GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS
Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements. Honors courses are recommended satisfy General Education core requirements.

B – HONORS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS – 25 HOURS (19 advanced)

1 – Honors Core – 16 hours (10 advanced)
HONR 3380 Honors Practicum
HONR 3187 Honors Seminar Independent Study
HONR 3387 Honors Independent Study
HONR 4387 Honors Independent Study
Choose one pair:

> HONR 2385 Honors Big History I
> HONR 2386 Honors Big History II

> HONR 2387 Honors Humanities I
> HONR 2388 Honors Humanities II

2 – Support Courses – 9 hours (9 advanced)
Choose 9 advanced honors hours. Honors hours may be satisfied by courses with the HONR prefix, through honors contracts, or by departmental courses whose numbers end in -87 or -88 (e.g., BIOL 1488).

ADMISSION, PROGRESSION, AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, if applicable:

Admission requirements:
Freshmen with fewer than 15 hours: SAT Score 1670, ACT Score 24, <u>or</u> Top 10% High School Class
Freshmen with more than 15 hours: GPA 3.5 or higher in college coursework (not dual or concurrent enrollment).

Progression requirements:
3.5 GPA or higher and progress through honors coursework.

Graduation requirements:
3.5 GPA or higher, completion of all required courses.