TO: The Academic Senate
FROM: Committee on Instruction and Curriculum (CIC)
SUBJECT: 17-18 CIC 29: HON prefix for University Honors Program
PURPOSE: Approval of the Senate
ACTION REQUESTED: That the Academic Senate approve the use of the HON for courses offered by the University Honors Program; upon the signature of the President, effective Fall 2018

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

CIC reviewed the following request from Mitchell Watnik, Interim Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Shirley Yap, Director of University Honors Program:

“We request that CIC recommend a new prefix “HON” for the Program’s courses. We believe that this request falls under requirement 3 of 08-09 CIC 17. Currently, the Honors seminar and Honors service courses hold the prefix “GS”. Referring to the Program’s offerings as “General Studies”, even if there is an “H” suffix, seems out of place. Cal Poly SLO uses the prefix “HNRS”, CSU Sacramento uses “HONR”, CSU Chico uses “HNRS”, CSU Long Beach uses “UHP”, SDSU uses “HONOR”, CSU Northridge uses “UNIV” (which is analogous to our “GS”), CSU Fullerton uses “HONR”, CSU San Bernardino uses “HON”, Cal Poly Pomona uses “CPU” (“Cal Poly University”)."

POLICY
The prefix “HON” was approved unanimously by CIC for use for courses offered by the University Honors Program.