



16-17 FUFM 2
May 9, 2017

TO: The Academic Senate
FROM: Honors Program Director
SUBJECT: 16-17 FUFM 2: Honors Program Director Report for AY 2016-2017
PURPOSE: Information to the University

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On Tuesday May 9, 2017, Honors Program Director Dr. Bridget Ford gave the attached report to the Executive Committee; the Executive Committee then voted to forward the report to the Academic Senate as information at their May 16, 2017 meeting.

**UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT TO THE
ACADEMIC SENATE
MAY 9, 2017**

Brief history

- Founded in 1998 by Professor Alexander Cassuto, Department of Economics
- “Contract” program approved by Academic Senate, 2004
- Significant revision adopted in 2015 with first dedicated Honors course (GS 3099, “Honors Leadership and Service”) and Program Learning Outcomes

Current faculty director

- Professor Bridget Ford, Department of History, appointed in Fall 2013 and reappointed in Spring 2015 to serve 2015-2017

Honors Advisory Council

- Professor Nina Haft (Theatre and Dance, CLASS)
- Professor Rita Liberti (Kinesiology, CEAS)
- Professor Lindsay McCrea (Nursing, CS)
- Professor Tammie Simmons-Mosley (Accounting and Finance, CBE)
- Ms. Andrea Wells, Senior Coordinator of Operations and Partnerships, Center for Community Engagement
- Ms. Rita Amador, Administrative Support Coordinator, APGS

By the numbers: Recent years compared

<i>Spring Quarter</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>
<i>Accepted students</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>112</i>	<i>203</i>	<i>246</i>
<i>Active students (one contract completed)</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>134</i>	<i>176</i>
<i>Graduating seniors</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>17</i>

- *Most common undergraduate majors, in order of prevalence:* Nursing/Pre-Nursing, Business Administration, Biological Science, Psychology, Computer Science, Health Science, Kinesiology, Speech Pathology & Audiology, Art

Program Expenses

- Total operating expenses (including staffing, director's release time, course expenses, and supplies and events): \$81,163, through APGS/Office of Undergraduate Studies
- Staffing dedication: 80% Administrative Support Coordinator I, APGS
- Director's release time: 12 units per year
- Courses: Two sections each of GS 3099, "Honors Leadership and Service" and GS 3999, "Honors Seminar," per year

Initiatives in 2016-2017

- Significant investment in recruitment and advising for UHP students, with our largest number of students in history of program at this time
- Greater program support to students, with multiple "contract" workshops offered every quarter, raising number of submitted contracts to highest number in history of program. The number of contracts in a single quarter reached 102, our highest, in Spring 2017. Last year, in 2016, the highest number of contracts in a single quarter was 83.
- Honors Library Room refresh, with new "smart" table, white board, digital screen, and new coat of paint

Community engagement

- Ongoing service to the Arc of Alameda, Save the Bay, and Alameda County Community Food Bank
- GS 3099, "Honors Leadership and Service," connected students to community service partners, including:

Fall 2016

Alameda County Office of Education -
Project EAT
Hayward Public Library
Monument Crisis Center
Our Lady of Grace School
Peer Health Exchange
Scientific Adventures for Girls
Soccer Without Borders
The Arc of Alameda County

Spring 2017

Alameda County Community Food Bank
Downtown Streets Team
Hayward Chamber of Commerce
MedShare International
Oakland International High School
Reading Partners
San Francisco Veteran Affairs Medical
Center
Sun Gallery
Tri-City Volunteers

In process

- Develop "credit-generating" program in context of Semester Conversion
 - Foster greater student pipeline from first-year students to graduating seniors through a Freshman Learning Community
 - Focus on first- and second-year student retention
 - Strengthen attention to Program Learning Outcomes (course content and assessment)
 - Maximize connection between academic study and real-world challenges
 - Bring in line with other CSU honors programs, including appropriate faculty support
- Update program recruiting materials (website)