

## Comparison of the types of Honors designations

	Arts & Sciences “College Honors”	Arts & Sciences “Latin Honors”	Economics Majors “English Honors” <sup>2</sup>
Eligibility/participation	Awarded automatically upon graduation – no application; no invitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be invited; petitions permitted</li> <li>• Two tracks: “Latin Honors with Thesis” and “Latin Honors by Coursework”</li> </ul>	No formal application; however, students seeking “High” or “Highest Distinction in Economics” must complete the requirements of the Department’s Latin Honors program (either track).
GPA requirements	Must have an overall GPA $\geq 3.60$ at the time of graduation and cannot be participating in a Latin Honors program. ( <i>Overall GPA <math>\geq 3.50</math> for Class of 2015</i> )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invitation to the Honors Program requires overall and within-major GPA <math>\geq 3.65</math></li> <li>• Must maintain overall GPA <math>\geq 3.65</math> through the final semester of study</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Distinction in Economics:</b> awarded to a student possessing an 8<sup>th</sup>-semester, <u>within-major GPA</u> of 3.65 or higher, when that student <u>has not</u> participated in the department’s Latin Honors program.</li> <li>• <b>High Distinction in Economics:</b> awarded to a student possessing an 8<sup>th</sup>-semester, <u>within-major GPA</u> of 3.65 to 3.85, when that student <u>has</u> participated in the department’s Latin Honors program.</li> <li>• <b>Highest Distinction in Economics:</b> awarded to a student possessing an 8<sup>th</sup>-semester, <u>within-major GPA</u> of 3.86 and above, when that student <u>has</u> participated in the department’s Latin Honors program.</li> </ul>
Other	Cannot earn both College Honors and a level of Latin Honors	Level of Latin Honors received will depend upon GPA cut-offs at the College level. <sup>1</sup>	
	Can earn both College Honors and “Distinction in Economics,” subject to meeting the requirements of both designations.	Can earn both Latin Honors and “High Distinction in Economics” or “Highest Distinction in Economics,” subject to meeting the requirements of both designations.	

<sup>1</sup> Beginning with May 2015: Upon certification by the Economics Department of completion of the Honors program, you may be awarded the A.B. *cum laude*, *magna cum laude* or *summa cum laude* according to the following proportions: the top 15 percent in overall grade point average of Latin honors candidates who complete the necessary requirements of their major departments will graduate *summa cum laude*; the next 35 percent *magna cum laude*; the next 50 percent *cum laude*.

<sup>2</sup>At the discretion of the Economics Department’s Honors Committee, very rare exceptions may be made to the criteria involved in the awarding of “High Distinction in Economics” and “Highest Distinction in Economics.”