



Honors Program

“Joining the Honors program has allowed me to distinguish myself academically and to participate in some amazing learning, cultural, and social activities. In just two brief years at Averett I have spent three weeks studying abroad in addition to 10 days in Washington, DC, and Charleston, SC. With the chance to help design your own classes in the Honors program and to give input as to where you want to travel the possibilities are endless!”

Owen Hayden

Class of 2013

Political Science Major

Owen is a receiver on the Cougars football team, the president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, co-president of the Honors program, and a tutor and writing assistant at the Galesi Family Academic Resource Center. He plans to seek a professional career in football, potentially in Europe, or attend law school.

Averett is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, GA 30033, Phone: 404-679-4501).

Be the Best, Study With the Best

Do you like to explore topics in-depth? Are you looking for a way to pursue your educational interests and express your creativity? Averett’s Honors Program gives you the opportunity to go a step beyond regular classroom study. Honors students explore in-depth selected areas of academics, attend conferences and enjoy attending social activities and cultural performances.

Travel Opportunities

Honors students attend conferences at least once a year and have the opportunity for international travel. Supplemental travel funds are available to students who qualify. Past study trips include: China, South Africa, England, Germany, Russia, Poland, Czech Republic, and Austria.

Match Your Study with Your Interests

Talk to your professor about an interest you have and create your own class! Faculty also create special study courses with honors student in mind. Recent examples include literature and music in times of war, film studies and environmental biology.

Earn the Honors Distinction

Students enrolled in the Honors Program must:

- Take at least one honors course each academic year
- May have no more than two grades of C in honors courses
- Maintain an overall grade point average of 3.2, a major grade point average of 3.4 and an honors grade point average of 3.0

To earn the honors distinction, approximately 20 percent of all coursework must carry honors credit.

The Honors Program gives you the flexibility to study what interests you. There are only four required courses – a freshman colloquium, senior project proposal preparation, senior honors project, and senior colloquium.

Your study will culminate in a senior project that you will present to the faculty and your fellow honors students. Past senior projects include:

- “A Civil History of a Small Town: Danville and the Civil Rights Demonstrations of 1963”
- A Comparison of Forest Ecosystems
- A Brief History of the Computer
- The Body’s Energies and Effects on Stress
- Comparing Japan and the United States: Education and Achievement

Interested?

For more information about the Honors Program contact the program’s director:

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