

## Memorandum of Understanding between Combined BA/MD Degree Program and Honors College

**Date:** 10/20/2023

**To:** Sushilla Knottenbelt, Director, Combined BA/MD Degree Program

**From:** Leslie Donovan, Interim Dean, Honors College

This Memorandum of Understanding between the Honors College and the BA/MD Program clarifies the agreement between the two programs regarding courses/credit hours for students participating in both programs. Below is a list of the Health, Medicine and Human Values (HMHV) coursework that all BA/MD students are required to complete. It is included here to reference the various options accepted between the two programs.

- HMHV 1110: Contours of Health in New Mexico
- HMHV 2110: Literature, Fine Arts and Medicine
- HMHV 301: Health Economics, Politics and Policy
- HMHV 310: Health and Cultural Diversity
- HMHV 401: Ethics, Medicine and Health
- HMHV 350: Community Health Practicum I (can be counted toward experiential requirements in the Honors College)
- HMHV 450: Community Health Practicum II (can be counted toward experiential requirements in the Honors College)

1. The Honors College will accept six (6) credit hours of HMHV courses for students who complete a Certificate in Honors Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts in the Honors College.
2. The Honors College will accept nine (9) credit hours of HMHV courses for students who complete a minor in Honors Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts in the Honors College:
  - a. BA/MD Arts & Sciences majors, except HMHV majors:
    - i. These students are required to complete an HMHV minor (for students outside of the BA/MD program) instead of the HMHV minor (for students in the BA/MD program). By doing so, 9 hours of HMHV coursework above will apply toward the Honors College minor requirements, and students will complete 9 hours of "health-related" coursework for the HMHV minor (for students outside of the BA/MD program). This will prevent "double dipping" of credit hours.

3. The Honors College will accept twelve (12) credit hours of HMHV courses for students who complete a distinction in Honors Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts in the Honors College:

This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective immediately upon being signed by the official representatives of the two parties. It will remain valid for three (3) years, ending with the 2025-2026 academic year. Either party may terminate this agreement by giving the other at least 45 days of written notice. It may be renewed by mutual written agreement of official representatives of the two parties.



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Leslie A. Donovan  
Interim Dean, Honors College

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