

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

Date: 2/4/2025

To: Robert Sapien, Interim Director, Combined BA/MD Degree Program

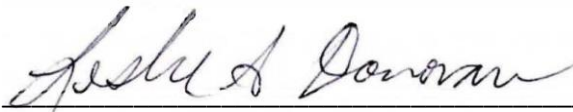
From: Leslie Donovan, Interim Dean, Honors College

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 BA/MD 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 BA/MD students who complete a minor in Honors Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts in the Honors College.
 - a. BA/MD Arts & Sciences majors (except HMHV majors) are required to complete an HMHV minor. If these students would like to apply 9 credit hours of HMHV coursework toward their Honors College minor requirements, they cannot double-dip these credits with their HMHV minor. To complete the HMHV minor, these students may choose to complete 9 hours of "health-related" coursework. Students should review applicable "health-related" coursework for the HMHV minor with their BA/MD advisors. This modification to the traditional HMHV minor requirements will prevent "double dipping" of HMHV courses with the Honors College minor.

3. The Honors College will accept twelve (12) credit hours of HMHV courses for BA/MD students who complete a distinction in Honors Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts in the Honors College.
4. The Honors College will accept HMHV courses to fulfill the Honors College course (HNRS/UHON) participation requirement for Active Status in the Honors College. For example, a BA/MD student will still retain Active Status benefits in the Honors College, even if they choose not to take an HNRS/UHON course in an academic year due to other course load requirements.
5. BA/MD students must maintain the Good Academic Standing requirement in the Honors College to graduate with any Honors College credential (<https://honors.unm.edu/academics/academicadvising.html>).

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 2026-2027 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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