

BMED Honors Track



Students in the Biomedical Sciences (BMED) Honors track must complete 21 credits of honors courses or honors-by-contract (HBC) work in BMED or MEDH courses.

➤ **9 credits of lower-division courses**

- Six HBC credits selected from combining any two of the following BMED courses:
 - BMED 1301, 1302, 2301, or 2302
- Three credits from MEDH 2311 Introduction to Medical and Health Humanities
 - Taken as the honors course MEDH 2311-Honors or as a regular MEDH 2311 course with an HBC component

➤ **3 credits of Honors Practicum (HONR 3380)**

A required internship, service-learning activity, or shadowing may be substituted with the addition of an honors component. ***The course cannot be substituted without explicit permission from the Department Chair of the Health and Biomedical Sciences (HABS) and the Dean of the Honors College.***

➤ **9 credits of upper-division honors courses**

- Six HBC credits of upper-level 3XXX or 4XXX BMED courses
- Three credits from MEDH 4301 Medical Humanities: Critical Perspectives
 - Taken as the honors course MEDH 4301-Honors or as a regular MEDH 4301 course with an HBC component

➤ **Honors Thesis (Optional)**

Students are also strongly encouraged to do an Honors thesis, which includes 4 credits (HONR 3187 for 1 credit and HONR 4387 for 3 credits).

- HONR 3187 & HONR 4387 can be substituted with ***BMED 3223 and BMED 3224 (Experiential Learning I & II courses)*** which require oral presentations at the end of the academic year, and written lab records or reports submitted to the research mentor throughout the year.

Minor in Medical Humanities

Students in the pre-medical track are also strongly encouraged to pursue the Minor in Medical Humanities which consists of 18 credit hours. Note that since MEDH 2301 and MEDH 4301 are required in the BMED Honors Track, then students have 12 remaining credit hours to seek the Minor.

Students in the BMED program should consult with the HABS Department Chair and with the Dean of the Honors College to work out the details of their honors pathway.

To schedule an appointment to meet with the HABS Department Chair, please call (956) 882-7383.

Note: BMED students in the Honors College will be required to sign Honors-by-Contracts (HBCs) with BMED professors for Honors credits for all BMED coursework.