

# Program Requirements • RIT Honors Program

Students must successfully complete all degree and honors requirements to graduate from the Honors Program. Students entering RIT in the 2020 academic year must accomplish the following:

- **3.5 GPA** minimum by graduation (starting at 3.2 your first year and increasing annually)
- **20 hours** minimum of Complementary Learning on an annual basis (15 hours your first year)
- **15 Points** minimum, collected through:
  - 3 Points First Year Honors Seminar
  - 6 Points of General Education and Other Honors Experiences
  - 3 Points Honors Research
  - 3 Points Honors Senior Seminar

Students are reviewed annually during Spring semester for satisfactory progress toward graduation.

## Honors Program Requirements: Year Level Checklist & Suggested Schedule

### Year One:

- ☐ 3 Points First Year Honors Seminar
- ☐ 15 hours of Comp Learning

### Year Two:

- ☐ 6 Points General Education / Honors Experience
- ☐ 20 hours of Comp Learning

### Year Three:

- ☐ 3 Points Honors Research or Approved Substitute
- ☐ 20 hours of Comp Learning

### Year Four:

- ☐ 3 Points ITDL 450- Honors Senior Seminar (can be taken either Year Four or Year Five)
- ☐ 20 hours of Comp Learning

### Year Five:

- ☐ 3 Points ITDL 450- Honors Senior Seminar (can be taken either Year Four or Year Five)
- ☐ 20 hours of Comp Learning

## Options to Earn Honors Points in General Education and other Honors Experiences:

- Honors Courses
- Honors Options
- One Graduate Course (up to 3 points)
- International Experiences (up to 3 points)
- Full-time co-op or internship not required for your major (up to 3 points)
- Faculty/College-sponsored professional activities (up to 3 points)

**for a total of 6 points**

## Options to Earn Research Points:

- Participation in an approved summer research experience
- Independent research completed outside of courses (verified by faculty mentors)
- College-determined courses

**for a total of 3 points**

## Options to Earn Seminar Points:

- **First Year Honors Seminar:** all first-year students will be enrolled in an Honors Seminar for their first 3 points
- **Senior Seminar:** students may enroll in ITDL 450 in their fourth or fifth year

**for a total of 6 points**

Detailed information can be found on the Honors Program website at [honors.rit.edu](http://honors.rit.edu)

