

HONORS EXPRESS

Monthly updates of developments within the Honors community

Notes from Our Director

With the weight of the ceaseless news cycle bearing down on us, daily, this Fall, I find myself needing to reclaim—daily—the power of words (as fraught and fragile as they are) that can sustain the human spirit (as restive and resilient as it is). The following call to humility, gratitude, and courage draws inspiration from one of my favorite writers, Marilynne Robinson, who reminds us of our obligations to our fellow human beings, all those “precious lives that have been put into our hands.”

May we *discover* in the daily and daunting rhythms of the semester the courage to *recover* humility as we “hear one another into speech” and, in so doing, *uncover* wisdom in one another’s diverse and deepening stories.

May we find ways to give voice to our astonishments as we “acknowledge that there is more beauty than our eyes can bear,” even as we bear witness with those same eyes to the pain we are capable of causing one another.

And as we stumble over fitting words and stumble on occasion into one another’s ill-fitting responses, may we also stumble upon the courage necessary to lean into the “posture of grace” as we live into and out of the persistent questions made new in the conversations, commitments, and community we create together in the Honors Program.

With gratitude, Matthew Bersagel Braley

Spring 2020 Honors Classes

ENGL 195-001 and -002: Honors Writing

Dr. Holtz-Wodzak, MWF, 8:00a – 8:55a and either Tu or Th lab

VUSM 330-001H: Classical Conceptions of the Common Good

Dr. Howard, MWF, 12:20p – 1:15p

Co-counts for Philosophical and Moral Inquiry requirement

VUSM400-001H: The Ethical Life

Dr. Cosby-Ronnenberg, TTH, 11 – 12:20p

November 2019

December 2019						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1 	2 Service Saturday
3	4 	5	6	7 Identities PROJECT	8	9
10	11 Veterans Day	12 Identities PROJECT 	13	14 	15 Seven Rivers 	16
17 	18	19 	20 Identities PROJECT 	21 	22 	23
24	25 Holiday Party 	26	27	28 Thanksgiving Day 	29	30



Birthdays



- Nov. 1: Erin Milleville
- Nov. 2: Caitlin Fallon
- Nov. 12: Madison Davis
- Nov. 14: Nathan Janzen
- Nov. 14: Jessica Janzen
- Nov. 16: Cassidy Chadwell
- Nov. 17: Tess Lord
- Nov. 17: Sarah Zunker
- Nov. 19: Savannah Kroeger
- Nov. 20: Emily Finder
- Nov. 21: Liz Henriksen
- Nov. 22: Jessie Benson
- Nov. 22: Bailey Benson
- Nov. 22: Maren Gullingsrud
- Nov. 23: Kasey Lukach

Events

- Nov. 2: Service Saturday
- Nov. 7: Identities Project: Immigration and Citizenship @ 7-8:30 pm in NRC 196
- Nov. 12: Identities Project: Voices of Men: Call to Action at UWL (bus leaving from Viterbo Student Union prior to event) from 7-8:30pm
- Nov. 15: Seven Rivers Undergraduate Research Symposium [Schedule link](#)



Nov. 15+16: Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley @ 7:30 in Weber Center



Nov. 20: Intersecting Identities: Español and Judaism, 7-8:30pm, NRC 196




Nov. 22 + 23: Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley @ 7:30 in Weber Center



Nov. 25: Honors Holiday Party @ 4pm in Lounge


Nov. 27-Dec. 1: Thanksgiving Break

Strength for Your Day



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THINKING ABOUT THANKSGIVING



Bell Ringing Heads Up!

December 7th is Viterbo Rings! Represent the Honors Program by volunteering at our adopted site! Look for an email from Therese soon for details about how to sign up!

Class Schedules

Please remember to contract all VUSM classes in addition to 9 other Honors credits.

Questions?

Email Matthew at mtbersagelbraley@viterbo.edu

Honors Program Requirements

100 Level Honors VUSM

200 Level Honors VUSM

300 Level Honors VUSM

400 Level Honors VUSM

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21 Honors Credits

Exploring Leadership Seminar
Study Abroad
Undergraduate Research
Honors Classes
Contracted General Courses

Contract any VUSM as needed

[Contracting Guidelines](#)

[Course Contracting Form](#)

3.4 GPA

GPA	4.0	3.5	3.0	2.5	2.0
KEY	A	AB	B	BC	C

Students who fall below a 3.4 GPA will be placed on probation for the following semester. If their averages remain below a 3.4 GPA for two consecutive semesters, they will be removed from the Honors Program.

All forms can be found on Honors Dept. Moodle Page

Contact Matthew Bersagel Braley at mtbersagelbraley@viterbo.edu with questions