**Statements from students...**

What experiences do you feel will be helpful in your future education/career?

* I believe my work ethic and professional communication skills have improved and will help me in the future with communicating with my co-workers and patients.
* I feel more able to prepare learning resources for other people and present them to an audience in a professional and educational manner.
* Never give up, don’t not do something just because you don’t have to. Always strive for better and more.

What did you like best about the Honors Program?

* That it is flexible and it incorporates students’ personal interests into their honors projects.
* I can learn more about the subject I am taking a class in than I would have without doing it for Honors.
* The opportunity to have the self directed learning. It’s great to be able to pick something I’m passionate about and then turn that into a real life project. I was happy to be able to do the work but then to be able to share the information with my classmates made it all that much more worthwhile.

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Honors courses offer accelerated and enriched content which will provide you as a student with a broader or deeper interaction with the material presented in regular sections.

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**Questions?**

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Who is eligible to take Honors Classes?
To be eligible for admission to MAC’s Honors Program:

First time student:
If you have no previous college-level work, you must meet ANY ONE of the following requirements:
• Have a high school grade point average of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale;
• Have a minimum ACT composite score of 21;
• Have a minimum ACT reading score of 21:
• Have a minimum Compass reading score of 89.

If you are a returning student:
• Have an overall grade point average of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale.

Why should I take Honors classes?
• The Honors designation is entered into your college transcript;
• Those who look at your transcript will understand that you went above and beyond what was required for that class;
• You have a chance to explore areas, be exposed to material, or have experiences that you might not normally have;
• Once all requirements are met, you will receive an Honors medallion and be recognized at Commencement for your efforts.

How do I get started?
Offering an Honors course is strictly instructor discretion, so ask your instructor within the first two weeks of class in the fall and spring, and the first week of class in the summer.

What type of assignments might I be asked to do?
Once an agreement is made between instructor and student to initiate the Honors option, students will be assigned projects that enrich the subject matter of the class, which should be detailed on the Honors contract. An assignment could be a paper(s)--research or reaction--a project, an oral presentation, a report, the recounting of an experience, or any combination thereof.

What happens if I fail to complete my Honors requirement for that class?
The reversal deadline is the same as “Last day to drop a class and receive a W” for this course. This date can be found in the schedule booklet and the student planner.

Students who fail to complete the work, and do not drop, will receive a one-grade penalty. For example, such a student may complete the requirements for the regular section with a “B,” but failing to complete the Honors part would result in a “C” as the final grade in that class.

What do I have to do to graduate with Honors?
In order to successfully complete the Honors Program at MAC, receive the Honors medallion and be recognized at Commencement, you must meet ALL of the following criteria:
• Maintain a 3.00 GPA in all college courses combined;
• Complete at least 12 hours of honors credit;
• Make no grade below a “B” in any honors course. A “C” or below will disqualify a student from the program;
• Schedule an exit interview the semester you are graduating with the Honors Director, Dean Kay Crecelius.

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> Contact your instructor during the first 2 weeks of classes (during 1st week in summer).
> Review the requirements.
> Students are limited to 2 Honors courses per semester
> Students are limited to 1 Honors course per instructor during any one semester.
> Make sure you are aware of the dates involved to add or reverse an Honors course.
> During the semester that you apply for graduation from MAC, contact Dean Kay Crecelius, Honors Director, to schedule an exit interview in order to be recognized at Commencement.

Enjoy the experience!

Students enrolled on any of the campuses at Mineral Area College may take advantage of the various opportunities offered through honors credit as long as the instructors teaching those classes are willing. However, only those students who meet the criteria listed in the eligibility and completion sections of this brochure will be allowed to enroll in MAC’s Honors Program and receive full recognition at Commencement.