

Q&A: University Honors Transfer Info Session

How many transfer applicants have been accepted for honors?

The number of transfers we take varies every year and depends on capacity. This year we are taking 100 transfers.

If you were in the honors program at your previous community college will this be taken into consideration in your application?

There is a question on the application where you can note previous participation in honors program.

Will spring grades be considered in our GPA to be invited to honors?

We look at your UC weighted GPA. Learn more here:
<https://honors.ucr.edu/admissions/requirements>.

What happens if a transfer student applies, but does not make it to the program, and make more than a 3.25 GPA on their final quarter?

We need a two year commitment from Honors students. If you are unable to join in fall but know you will be here for two years at our next application cycle you can reach out to find out if University Honors is still possible for you. You may contact Lourdes Maldonado at lourdes.maldonado@ucr.edu for more info.

Are the courses we take for honors and the capstone project submission always submitted during the same quarters, regardless of how long we plan to stay at UCR?

The capstone deadline varies by your graduation date. The Capstone project is due towards the end of the quarter in which you plan to graduate. If you plan on graduating early, your honors counselor can work with you to coordinate when you take each of your honors courses

Mandatory courses for Honors students must be taken specific quarters. If your situation changes and you will be graduating early/late you can speak to your Honors counselor to see if a move in courses is appropriate.

How long do research projects take?

~2 years

After the spring semester grades post my GPA will be high enough to apply. Do you think there will still be spots available?

I suggest your reach out to Lourdes Maldonado asap to inform her of your situation so that she can advise you on how to proceed. lourdes.maldonado@ucr.edu

The Capstone Project states we can choose a creative avenue to convey our research. Can you please elaborate on that? Thank you!

Students have submitted a variety of capstones. Creative capstones can be something like a documentary, collection of short stories, art piece creation, etc.

My ultimate goal for the future is obtaining the required education and experience to begin an NPO that functions as a community center for science, art, and culture. Would research and the creation of a plan for achieving this goal fit into a capstone project?

Yes, that may fit into the parameters of a capstone project. You will have to find a faculty mentor who is willing to work with you on that specific project.

What type of research projects have been done?

A variety of research projects have been completed you can see some samples of what has been turned in eScholarship. Access here: <https://escholarship.org/uc/ucrhonors>