**Honors Program**

**Honors Program Contract (please fill electronically)**

**Semester and Year of Contract:**

**Student ID:**

**Student Name:**

**Cumulative GPA:**

**Major:**

**Academic Advisor Name:**

The Honors Education Program at SUNY Canton serves to recognize student academic excellence and encourage intellectual curiosity. It is characterized by in-class and extracurricular activities that allow students to experience deeper and more complex learning beyond their standard curriculum. All Honors Program students are required to understand and complete the following requirements of the program:

1. The **Honors *Education* Program** is a specialized academic track designed to give students in-depth and stimulating learning experiences beyond their standard curriculum; you complete extra assignments, activities, and programming in addition to the regular coursework that all students complete (outlined below).
2. When you graduate, you get a special “Honors” designation on the commencement program, and your transcript will list you as an Honors graduate. *The Honors Program and this distinction are entirely separate from the Honor Societies on campus, and Honors Lists that recognize GPA.* Please visit [www.canton.edu/honors](http://www.canton.edu/honors) for additional definitions and information.
3. You will need to maintain a cumulative 3.25 GPA
4. You will need to select a track and adhere to the requirements outlined therewithin:

**Please select the degree program you will be joining:**

**Two Year Degree Program: Breadth and Enduring Questions**

Students in this track complete “Honors-contracted courses” with approval from their faculty and the Honors Program Chair.

1. Complete **three** Honors-contracted courses that conform to the Honors Committee guidelines.
2. Complete **one** professional presentation that summarizes and outlines the scope of your work across the Honors Program (e.g., SUNY Canton Scholarly Activities Celebration, other conference or formal meeting).

Note: Prior Honors credit can be transferred from another college, with evidence of prior Honors work, and approval by the Honors Committee.

**Four Year Degree Program**

**Please select that track you will be joining:**

**Track 1: Breadth and Enduring Questions (i.e., “Honors-Contracted Courses”):**

Students in this track complete “Honors-contracted courses” with approval from their faculty and the Honors Program Chair.

1. Complete **five** Honors-contracted courses that conform to the Honors Committee guidelines.
2. Complete **two** professional presentations, one of which must summarize and outline the scope of your work across the Honors Program (e.g., SUNY Canton Scholarly Activities Celebration, other conference or formal meeting).

Note: Prior Honors credit can be transferred from another college, with evidence of prior Honors work, and approval by the Honors Committee.

**Track 2: Research and Creative Scholarship (i.e., “Honors Thesis or Capstone”):**

Students in this track complete a single thesis or capstone course for credit (minimum 3 credits). The course/project must be approved by the Chair/Director of your department and the entire Honors Committee. The final artifact cannot ONLY be a presentation; it must include a research paper or physical artifact, plus significant intellectual investment (e.g., analysis and critical thinking, background research). If you start in Track 1, you can move to Track 2 with approval by your Department Chair/Director and the Honors Program Chair.

1. Create artifact of academic significance (e.g., research thesis, working engineering technology, creative work, etc.)
2. Present work at a professional presentation (e.g., SUNY Canton Scholarly Activities Celebration, other conference or formal meeting).

Agreements and Electronic Signatures:

Student: I understand the requirements and that if I do not adhere to them, I will not complete the Honors Program at SUNY Canton. Non-completion of the requirements does not impact my ability to graduate from SUNY Canton, except in the case of a non-passing grade in the thesis or capstone.

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Student Signature and Date

**Approved by Honors Program Chair**

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Chair Signature and Date