

Articulation Agreement by and between The Honors Program of Owens Community College and The Honors College of Eastern Michigan University

Owens Community College and Eastern Michigan University have collaborated to create a seamless and sequential progression of academic courses from the associate level to the baccalaureate level for honors students. The goal of this articulation agreement is to admit students who have completed the criteria below into the EMU Honors College.

1. The Articulation Criteria are:

- A. Completion of an Associate Degree or the credit hour equivalent (i.e. **60** semester hours) at Owens.
- B. Achieving a minimum overall cumulative grade point average of **3.5** (on a 4.0 scale) at Owens.
- C. Completion of no fewer than **15** credit hours of designated Honors coursework at Owens Community College, 6 of which are specifically *Hon 101: Introduction to Critical Thinking* (3 hours), *HON 202: Great Readings: Ancient World through the Middle Ages* (3 hours). The remaining 9 hours may be earned through a course converted to Honors by an Honors Option Learning Contract, Honors designated independent study, or a designated Honors section of an existing course. Students must earn a “C” or higher for Owens courses to transfer to EMU and earn a “B” or higher for honors coursework to transfer as honors credit at EMU.
- D. Submission of an **official Owens Community College transcript** to Eastern Michigan University
- E. Completion of EMU Honors application and a **formal letter of acceptance** into the EMU Honors program.
- F. Completion of 15 Honors credits approved by the EMU Honors College, leading to graduation with Full Honors (University and Departmental Honors).

2. The Articulation Stipulations are [in order]:

- A. Completion of an Orientation with the Honors College at Eastern Michigan University prior to the first semester of courses at EMU.
- B. Creation of an Honors “Plan of Study” for the Honors portion of the EMU Honors curriculum leading to fulfillment of “Full Honors” (University Honors and Departmental Honors) in consultation with an EMU Honors College adviser by the end of the first EMU semester.
- C. Completion of the UG Research and Senior Thesis workshops at EMU within the first year of matriculation at EMU.

3. The Articulation Benefits are:

- A. All designated Owens Community College Honors credits with a grade of “B” and above will transfer as equivalent to EMU Honors College credits and will count towards the total number of Honors hours required for graduation with Honors Program standing. This number varies by college.
- B. Owens courses will apply to satisfy EMU freshman and sophomore requirements and as appropriate to general education requirements and majors.
- C. Eligibility to participate in all EMU Honors activities, events, and services and, if good Honors Program standing is maintained, to receive the Honors Medallion and Honors designation on the transcript and diploma upon graduation.
- D. Eligibility to reside in Honors housing including Downing Hall and the Village.
- E. Eligibility for Honors-only scholarships as well as Travel and Study Abroad awards. In addition, eligibility will be extended for all other financial awards that Honors supports, support for external scholarships, and EMU Transfer Awards and supplementary funding for Honors Transfer students.
- F. Eligibility for Priority Registration.
- G. Eligibility for extended four-week library checkout periods.

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