



Curriculum Descriptions

The William O. Douglas Honors College (DHC) is a four year, the two-tiered course of study for curious and engaged students at Central Washington University (CWU). The first tier satisfies the general education requirements of CWU and the second tier prepares students for their post-CWU aspirations, be it the global workplace and/or graduate school.

Core Curriculum (Tier One)

The core curriculum consists of 56 credits which satisfy the general education requirements of Central Washington University. Students in the William O. Douglas Honors College (DHC) do not complete the framework of the CWU General Education program. Instead, students in the Honors College complete their general education requirements through a series of DHC designated courses.

Most first-year students entering the DHC will complete these 56 credits. However, students who are entering the DHC with credits from Running Start, Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), transferring from another university, or transferring from a community college without a Direct Transfer Agreement (DTA) degree, should speak with a DHC advisor to discuss these credits.

Interdisciplinary Honors Minor

The Interdisciplinary Honors minor is 34 credits. Most DHC students satisfy the requirements of the minor by completing the DHC Core Curriculum and one additional four-credit course, DHC 380.

Upper-Division Honors (Tier Two)

Upper-Division Honors is a faculty-mentored research experience wherein students complete two upper-division seminars (DHC 380 and 480) along with a culminating capstone project. The Upper-Division Honors program is 15 credits and complements all majors and minors offered at Central Washington University. Students in the sciences may substitute four credits of research for DHC 480.