## **HONORS STUDIES MINOR**

The Honors Minor Program at Lamar University offers a creative and advanced interdisciplinary learning experience that is complementary to several majors at Lamar University with special emphasis, but not limited to, majors such as political science, sociology, and criminal justice, etc. The minor curriculum offers honors only sections with additional topics, seminars, contracts, and petitions allowing students to differentiate coursework needed to graduate with a minor in addition to a student's major program. Courses will offer "deeper thinking" discussions, critical and analytic problem-solving, and exploration of innovative ideas. The minor program will culminate into a creative senior capstone project which may count as a High Impact Educational Practice (HIEP). All Presidential Scholars/Reaud Honors Scholars in the Honors Minor will participate in the Reaud Leadership Institute and graduate as a Reaud Honors College graduate.

## **Admissions Criteria**

- Must declare Minor in Honors Studies
- · Participate in the Reaud Leadership Institute (RLI)
- GPA: 3.85 | Qualifying scores: SAT: 1330 or ACT: 29 | Top 10% of high school class
- Current students maintain a 3.5 GPA

All Presidential Scholars/Reaud Honors Scholars will be invited to participate in the Honors Minor program.

Cohort-based model, students take classes together only available as Honors.

## **Program Requirements:**

- Take HNRS 101 Honors Leadership Community (0 credit hours)
- Take HNRS 101 Global Leadership Institute (0 credit hours) part of institute
- Accrue 40 Honors Experiences over 4 years (cultural, intellectual, service, etc.)
- Complete 1 High Impact Educational Practice research, internship, thesis, capstone
- Stepping Up Civic Leadership (3 hours non-course credit) part of institute
- Participate in Honors Scholars Day/Capstone Project Presentations part of institute
- Participate in the Presidential Scholars/Reaud Honors Scholars Banquet - part of institute
- · Graduate as a Reaud Honors Scholar (26 credit hours)
- Graduates of the Honors II program will be invited to participate in the Alumni Mentor Program (AMP)