

Honors Program Committee Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, February 18, 2021  
1:00 pm, via Zoom

Present:

Jessica Zeitz (CAS), Mindy Erchull (CAS), Leanna Giancarlo (Chair, CAS), Ping Yin (CAS),  
Nora Kim (Secretary, CAS)

Ex officio: Mara Scanlon (CAS, Assistant Director of the Honors Program), Kelli Slunt (CAS,  
Director of the Honors Program)

The committee met via Zoom to discuss the following items.

1. Track B candidates: The committee reviewed Track B applications and decided to accept 22 applicants.
2. A student's appeal: The committee reviewed and rejected an appeal by a student who was dismissed from the Program due to academic performance.
3. Timeline for capstone proposal submissions: The Committee decided April 13 (Wed) 2021 to be the deadline for Fall 2021 capstone proposal submission. The Committee also decided that capstone project proposal deadlines would be Wednesday of Week 12 from now on.
4. Differences between FSEM and HN designated FSEMs: The committee briefly discussed criteria of HN FSEM.
5. Input regarding Admissions: The Committee found it concerning that the Admissions using the Honors program admission as a recruiting tool and admitting too many students to the Program up front based mainly on students' GPA. The Committee finds it necessary for the faculty to get more involved in the Honors Program admission decisions.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm