Northwest Arkansas Community College

(Honors Program/Communication and Arts)

Discipline Code HONR

Course Number 2903H

Course Title

Special Topics, Honors

Catalog Description

NWACC periodically offers Special Topics courses in Honors (HONR) that reflect specific topics of study which are not part of the standard curriculum. The class is expected to offer honors students an innovative learning experience that incorporates traditional learning strategies with new learning strategies that apply what is learned in the classroom to community-based themes and projects. Most semesters the class will offer students the opportunity to work with instructors and honors students from different colleges and universities throughout Arkansas. This is an honors course. Please refer to the NWACC Honors Program section in the current catalog for more information.

Prerequisites Honors Program Standing

Credit Hours 3 credit hours

Contact hours

45 lecture contact hours

Load hours

3 load hours

Semesters Offered

On Demand

ACTS Equivalent Not Applicable

Grade Mode A-F

Learning Outcomes

Students completing this course will:

• Demonstrate an understanding of the proposed topic

- Utilize a range of interdisciplinary tools and methods for understanding and analyzing a various trending topics in a variety of disciplines
- Cultivate a framework for thoughtfully articulating the critical vocabulary in the relevant topic or field.
- Improve reading and writing skills through effective synthesis of oral and written material, and subsequently, the ability to convey course concepts in a concise and clear manner both verbally and in writing.

Honors Outcomes

Honors classes (and the Honors Program) promote the following core values:

- Community students will demonstrate civic engagement through Service Learning and exploration of local, national, and global communities.
- Curiosity students will cultivate personal and intellectual curiosity through investigation, discussion, and scholarship.
- Diversity students will explore multiple perspectives through interdisciplinary learning.

General Education Outcomes Supported

- Students develop higher order thinking skills.
- Students demonstrate information literacy.

Standard Practices Topics list

• Varies

Learning activities

- Individual projects/presentations
- Group projects/presentations
- Field Trips/events
- Guest Speakers

Assessments

- Class discussions
- Informal and formal compositions
- Community-based projects

Grading guidelines

Not applicable

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