Advising Honors Students: A Quick Guide

➢ Students in the Framingham State University Honors Program must complete a minimum of six (6) courses bearing the honors designation. These include:

- HNRS 101: First-Year Honors Seminar
  
  -If a student either is (1) accepted into the Honors Program following matriculation, or (2) a Transfer Student, then they may substitute an Honors elective course in the place of HNRS 101 with the approval of the Honors Program Faculty Director.

- HNRS 480: Honors Program Thesis/Project

- Four (4) Specially-Designated Honors Sections of Regular (Primarily General Education) Courses.
  
  -Section numbers of these courses all contain an X, e.g. HSTY 105, 01X. To locate Honors sections through MyFramingham: (1) open “Course Offerings by Semester;” (2) select term; (3) in “Subjects” menu highlight all subjects; (4) in “Attribute Type” menu select “Honors Program Course Section”; (5) click “Class Search” button.
  
  -A student may choose to substitute one (1) upper-division course in their major for one of these four elective Honors courses by submitting an honors contract: https://www.framingham.edu/Assets/uploads/academics/registrar/_documents/forms/honors-crs-status-request-form.pdf.

➢ To remain an Honors student in good standing, a student must:

- Maintain a GPA of no less than 3.00 during their freshman and sophomore years, and 3.25 during their junior or senior years.

- Earn a minimum grade of B (3.00) in each honors course, including HNRS 480: Honors Program Thesis/Project.

- Not go more than one semester without taking an Honors course prior to the completion of program requirements. However, students may wait to take HNRS 480 Honors Program Thesis/Project without penalty.

➢ The capstone of the Honors Program is HNRS 480 Honors Program Thesis/Project, which is conducted under the supervision of a faculty member in the student's major department. All Honors Program seniors are required to present publicly the results of their thesis projects.

- To register for HNRS 480, students must complete a registration form found here: Honors Program Forms (framingham.edu).

- Detailed thesis guidelines are available on the Honors Program website.