

# PBSI Honors Program

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## Honors in Psychological and Brain Sciences (PBSI)

The PBSI Honors Program provides individual instruction and advanced work particularly relevant to the major field for academically distinguished Psychology and Neuroscience-BCN majors. Completion of PBSI Honors also overlaps many requirements for University Honors. The PBSI Honors curriculum includes small classes with other outstanding undergraduates, as well as direct involvement in ongoing research projects directed by PBSI faculty. In recognition of superior achievement, students who complete Honors in PBSI will receive the designation on their official transcript.

### **Departmental requirements to graduate with PBSI Honors:**

*To be awarded PBSI Honors, students must meet the following: 1) maintain a minimum 3.5 overall cumulative GPR, 2) maintain a 3.25 Honors cumulative GPR, 3) be enrolled in at least one Honors courses per semester until completion, 4) may not have Aggie Honor system sanction hold as per Student Rule 15 and 5) must complete 21 hours of Honors classes as follows:*

**[1] Six (6) hours** of core curriculum courses, as follows:

**[A]** Three (3) hours in **Language, Philosophy, & Culture (KLPC), Creative Arts (KCRA), or Social & Behavioral Sciences (KSOC).**

**[B]** Three (3) hours in either **Life & Physical Sciences (KLPS) or Mathematics (KMTH).**

**[2] Twelve (12) hours** in either Psychology or Neuroscience:

**[A]** Six (6) hours of any PBSI course (other than 483H, 484H, or 491H)

**[B]** Six (6) hours must be in PBSI or NRSC 483H, 484H, or 491H. Students may select from a research field (internship), or Teaching Scholar experience. Research for ZERO hrs will not apply to the 21 hrs of required Honors credit.

**[3] Three (3) additional hours anywhere in the Psychology or Neuroscience-BCN degree plan.**

### **Admission to Honors in Psychological and Brain Sciences (PBSI)**

Admission requirements for this program are an overall TAMU GPA of 3.5 or above **AND** either completion of or current enrollment in one Honors course at TAMU.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Failure to maintain the minimum GPA (3.5 overall, 3.25 Honors cumulative) and enroll in **at least one Honors class per semester** will result in you being put on Honors probation. A second semester of your GPA below the minimum expectation or without taking an Honors course will lead to dismissal from the PBSI Honors program.

If you are wanting to take a class for Honors but the class doesn't have an Honors section, you can potentially contract the class for Honors. The Honors contract is between you and the professor. Contract info can be found on the LAUNCH website at <https://launch.tamu.edu/>.

### **PBSI Honors Advisor**

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## APPLICATION FOR PBSI HONORS PROGRAM

*(Please print)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ UIN \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Current TAMU GPA \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Please give phone by which you are most easily reached)*

TAMU email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_

Classification: (Fr) (So) (Jr) (Sr) Projected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Honors course(s) Completed/Currently Register

Semester Completed/Currently Register

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### What is expected of you as a PBSI Honors student?

- Maintain a minimum **3.5 overall cumulative GPR and a 3.25 Honors cumulative GPR.**
- Enrollment in at least **one Honors course every semester.**
- Complete **21 hours of Honors classes** required for program (see page 1)

My signature below indicates the following:

I understand the academic requirements of the PBSI Honors Program as stated on page 1 of this form. I understand my admission into the PBSI Honors Program will be based on the eligibility criteria stated on page 1 of this form, and I give the advisor of the PBSI Honors Program permission to check my academic records to verify my initial and continued eligibility for the PBSI Honors Program.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_