Requirements for GHA – Fall 2017

General Honors a Total of 18 Hours

- **BREADTH REQUIREMENTS.** Twelve hours of honors credit (grade of “A” or “B”) with a minimum of three credit hours per area from the following areas:
  - Humanities including but not limited to courses designated “H”
  - Social Sciences including but not limited to courses designated “S”
  - STEM including but not limited to courses designated “N” and “A”

- **Two Honors Seminars or Interdisciplinary Honors Courses:**
  - with a minimum total of four hours—courses with HONR prefix and other courses designated as honors seminars. (grade of “A” or “B”)

- **Remaining hours to meet the 18 hour requirement may be from any area.** (grade of “A” or “B”)

- **A 3.5 Graduate/Retention GPA**

Eligibility for Continued Enrollment in Honors Courses

3-2-1. **GRADE POINT AVERAGES REQUIRED.** To be eligible for continued enrollment in honors courses (defined as courses, sections, seminars, etc., with the Honors attribute in BANNER), full time students who entered the program as first time freshmen or were admitted during their first year at OSU must maintain the following minimum graduate/retention grade point averages:

1. First Year Students 3.20 (See note below.)
2. Second Year Students 3.30
3. Third Year Students 3.40
4. Fourth year and beyond 3.50

Transfer students will be assigned to an initial “year” in the program based on their earned hours when entering OSU - 7-59 hours earned: Second Year; 60-93 hours earned: Third Year; 94 or more hours earned: Fourth Year. Part-time students will be assigned an initial year based on their status when admitted to the program (first time freshmen, students admitted during their first year at OSU or transfer students) with year in program increasing by 1 with every 30 credit hours earned above their initial earned hours. Any student taking a Leave of Absence will be considered to be in the same year when they return from leave as they were when they took leave.

**Note:** First year students failing to earn at least 3.20 graduate/retention grade point average during the fall semester shall not be eligible for continued enrollment in honors courses in the subsequent spring semester unless extraordinary circumstances justify approval of continuation in The Honors College by the Dean.