List of Activities Available for Experiential Learning Honors Credit

The following is a list of activities that can qualify for honors points, with their corresponding points value. The list was developed in consultation with the Honors Council, which has faculty and student representatives. If you are involved in an activity other than those listed below and you want to propose that it qualify for experiential points, you can access the form to do so [here](#). Proposals will be taken to the Honors Council for consideration.

1 honors point each

**Academics**
- Apply for and receive an OSU Undergraduate Library Research Grant
- Complete an OSU certificate or a minor
- Be **first/sole presenter** (or equivalent) of original research or creative writing at a [*local* or *institutional* conference](#)
- Be a **contributing presenter** of original research or creative writing at a [*regional, national or international* academic or professional conference](#)
- Be a **contributing author** of original research or creative writing *published locally or institutionally*

**Arts**
- Participate for a semester in an OSU performing arts group (such as band, choir, dance, or orchestra)
- Participate in an OSU theatre production (as actor, director, technician, or in another substantial role)
- Be **first/sole creator** (or equivalent) of original art selected for display or performance *locally or institutionally*

**Service**
- Develop and complete one “Honors in the Schools” program

2 honors points each

**Academic**
- Become an institutional nominee for a major national scholarship
- Be **first/sole author** (or equivalent) of original research or creative writing *published locally or institutionally*
- Be **first/sole presenter** (or equivalent) of original research or creative writing at a [*regional, national or international* academic or professional conference](#)
- Be a **contributing author** of original research or creative writing *published nationally or internationally*

3 honors points each

**Academic**
- Receive a major national award (Truman, Gates, Rhodes, Goldwater, Marshall, Fulbright, Boren, Critical Language Scholarship)
- Be **first/sole author** (or equivalent) of original research or creative writing *published nationally or internationally*
Arts
• Be first/sole creator of original art selected for display or performance nationally or internationally

Service
• Work as a Resident Instructor for OSU’s Upward Bound program for one summer

Variable Points

The following activities can earn honors experiential learning credit at the rate of 1 point for every 45 documented hours spent on the activity. The maximum that can be earned for a single activity in a single term is 3 honors points. Students are required to keep a log of time spent on the activity per semester.

Academic
• Work in an OSU research lab or research group not connected to a course
• Participate on an OSU competitive academic team (e.g. formula SAE team, or livestock judging team)
• Work as an intern (paid or unpaid) or participate in formal job shadowing that relates directly to academic and/or professional pursuits
• Work in a job (paid) that relates directly to academic and/or professional pursuits (e.g. a pre-vet student working at a vet clinic)

Leadership
• Hold a leadership position in an official OSU student organization, council, or club.
• Work as staff or writer for the O’Colly or the Cowboy Journal (CASNR)
• Serve as an OSU Tour Guide, Camp Cowboy counselor, or as an ambassador for an OSU program, department, or college
• Serve a semester as a tutor, lead tutor, teaching assistant, Supplemental Instructor, or Supplemental Instructor mentor (e.g. with the Writing Center, the MLSC, LASSO, or an OSU department or College)

Service
• Perform off-campus community service. Typically, service will be to one organization, but in any case it must make a unified impact in the community. (Service hours required for another OSU commitment—such as a scholarship—may simultaneously count towards honors experiential credit.)

Study Away
• Students who take an OSU study away intersession course must try to contract with the professor for honors credit. If the professor does not offer honors contracts for the course, the student can instead apply to the Honors College for experiential learning points. Three honors points can be earned for an intersession study away experience.
• Students who participate in the NCHC Partners in the Parks program can apply for experiential credit and earn three honors points.
• Students who study away for a semester or longer can apply for up to six honors points of experiential credit. For three points, the student must submit one reflective essay (1250-1500 words) on an aspect of their study away experience. For six points, the student must submit two reflective essays (1250-1500 words each) on different aspects of their study away experience.