In the competitive world of better, higher education, Wayne County Community College District’s Honors Program comes in many faces.
The Honors Program at Wayne County Community College District is designed to promote scholarship, leadership and civic engagement. The mission of the Honors Program is to provide an exceptional educational experience for a diverse group of high-achieving students in an environment that nurtures the growth of the whole student, academically, socially; emotionally, and intellectually.

The program recognizes and cultivates academic excellence through active participation in coursework and seminars, study abroad opportunities, service learning projects, internships and mentoring. Participants selected for the program will also have opportunities to present papers at local conferences and attend special events including those sponsored by the international honors society for two-year colleges, PHI THETA KAPPA, Inc.
Wayne County Community College District is dedicated to providing a rich collegiate experience for students. The Honors Program provides both rigorous coursework and support that promotes the best possible learning environment. Faculty, staff and the community help to create a comprehensive learning community that emphasizes independent thinking, collaboration and diversity. Relevant academic requirements include:

- A 3.25 GPA after completing one semester of coursework with a minimum of six credit hours
- High school students 11th and 12th grade must obtain a score of 1800 on the SAT and have a cumulative 3.25 GPA in high school coursework
- Fulfill all WCCCD admission requirements
- Complete and sign an Honors Program application

Classes Include

- Women in Literature
- Foreign Languages
- Advanced Mathematics
- Analytic Geometry
- Microbiology
- Physics
The Study Abroad Program provides students the opportunity to pursue educational opportunities in a foreign country. Typically, transferable college credits are awarded for such an experience. It is looked upon as an invaluable, ever lasting learning experience that’s educational and multi-dimensional.

Among the wealth of benefits for studying abroad the top 5 include:

1. Improving your resume. Potential employers look favorably upon study abroad experience when hiring recent graduates. Employers consider study abroad experience among the top three most valuable college experiences.

2. Staying competitive in a globalized society. To stay competitive, American college students make extra efforts to bridge gaps in global knowledge, foreign language and global perspectives – all skills obtained in a foreign language study abroad program.

3. Learning a language. No matter how hard you study French in college, nothing can take the place of taking French courses in France when it comes to learning conversational cues, increasing vocabulary, improving your accent and cultural nuances and study abroad hones your skills.

4. Gaining cultural awareness. Study abroad not only introduces you to new customs and traditions, but it also makes you more aware of your own cultural background. When you experience cultural immersion, you’ll appreciate the nuances of your own culture and become more comfortable with diversity.

5. Earning college credit off campus. The ability to stay on track with your degree is why studying abroad is a great opportunity for college students. Earn college credit while traveling!
Service-learning is a teaching method that engages students in solving problems within their schools and/or communities as part of their academic studies or other type of intentional learning activity. Service-learning helps students master important curricula content by making meaningful connections between what they are studying and its many applications. Service-learning also helps students develop a range of service skills from acts of kindness and caring to community stewardship and civic action.

A student is providing transportation to the voting polls for senior citizens (service). The student is also studying the affirmative action proposal on the ballot in a political science course (learning). The student then researches the number of senior voters and analyzes the potential affect of the service. Then, the student works with the senior citizen building and a local transportation service to provide transportation for all senior citizens within the building (service learning).

- Academic and intellectual benefits. Service-learning supports students in mastering important curricula content by helping them make meaningful connections between what they are studying and its many applications.

- Civic and ethical benefits. Service-learning allows young people to explore and develop skills for a range of ways to serve, including acts of kindness and caring, community stewardship, and civic action.

- Social and personal benefits. Service-learning offers young people a holistic learning experience that can increase their engagement in learning, provide them access to adult mentors, bolster their self-confidence, and enhance their preparation for the world of work.
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LECTURE SERIES

WCCCD Lecture series is designed to attract not only students, but the general public to the District’s five campuses so they can see for themselves the role WCCCD plays within the community in general. It’s also a way to strengthen our outreach efforts. The most important fact about WCCCD is that we emphasize community; as a result events such as the lecture series are designed to attract people whom many have never set foot on a campus, and can learn more about what we do and the services we provide.

The impetus for the lecture series was providing a forum by which participants acquired new information about a variety of topics affecting their lives from a historical, social, educational and entertainment perspective.

Noted speakers of the WCCCD Lecture Series include “John Bul Dau: Lost Boy of the Sudan.” John has been widely recognized as a man who is driven to make a difference. He is one of only eight recipients in the world for the 2007 National Geographic Emerging Explorer Award. This award recognized him as one of the next generation of leaders. Dau has also been honored to receive the Martin Luther King Jr. Man of the Year Award.

"We live in a time of tremendous uncertainty; kids have it tough", Judge Glenda Hatchett says. "Our children are constantly assaulted by all kinds of negative impulses and images that can pull them from the right road." Judge Hatchet spoke at WCCCD in Spring, 2005 and shared her experience of mending families as a judge, an author, a family advocate and last but certainly not least, a devoted parent.

Respected humanitarian Dr. Bill Cosby garnered a very large crowd into the Downtown Campus on January 13, 2005 when on January 13, 2005, he was there to inspire our parents and young people to live up to their roles in enriching the black community through education, self-reliance and proper parenting. He challenged black Detroiters to stop blaming white people for problems they could solve themselves. "It's not what they're doing to us. It's what we're not doing," the educator/entertainer told the audience of nearly 2,000 people. A little more than a year after Cosby’s lecture, ARISE Detroit was formed to address this issue. Cosby was the impetus for the formation of ARISE Detroit! The series is in partnership between WCCCD’s divisions of Educational Affairs and Continuing Education. Lecture Series at Wayne County Community College District works!
Comparative Religions (PHL 101)
This course covers the development of traditional religions and it explores traditional religions and world concepts with an emphasis on Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

Ethics (PHL 221)
This course is a survey of ethical theories which have characterized human beings, with practical applications to current problems in the human value system.

Physics for Scientists and Engineers I (PHY 265)
This course is a general calculus based course designed to meet the requirements of engineering students and scientists. Topics include mechanics, wave motion and thermodynamics.

Women in Literature (ENG 212)
This course focuses on the woman’s role as it is portrayed in plays, poetry and novels through the last century and the emergence of the female author as an important literary force.
For more information on Wayne County Community College District’s Honors Program or any of our other programs feel free log on to our website at www.wcccd.edu or simply call us at (313) 496-2349

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