Fall 2019 Honors Courses

AA 250-HO Introduction to Management and the Arts

Prof. Price

Tuesdays and Thursdays 11:20 am – 12:50 pm

An introduction/overview of management of arts organizations. Managers and organizations, the management process, profile of the arts manager, evolution of management thought, staffing process in the arts, modern management, fundamentals of leadership and group dynamics, technology and information systems management. This course is a prerequisite for all the advanced upper level Arts Administration courses.

Prerequisite: Sophomore standing

For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, this Honors course provides the following Key Skill: practice/exposure Oral Communication (O).

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AH 324-H Gender in the Visual Arts

Dr. Morowitz

Mondays 1:00–4:00 pm

This course explores the relationship between gender and the visual arts, concentrating on representation of women throughout history, as well as the work of women artists. Issues of gender are examined in relation to subject matter, stylistic preference, media, reception and criticism. Issues and topics to be explored include: sexual identity in artistic production; gender, race and art; queer theory in relation to the visual arts, post-colonialism and gender, themes of motherhood, prostitution and the female body; constructions of masculinity; the gaze and the gendering of vision. We begin in the Middle Ages and continue up through the work of contemporary artists in all media including painting, sculpture, installation, photography, architecture and cinema. We will learn about these issues through seminar discussion, readings, films and first-hand viewing of works of art. Pre-requisite: any art history or gender studies course.

This course counts toward the Gender Studies minor.

For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, this Honors course can be counted as an Arts course in the Knowledge Areas, and it provides the following Key Skills:
AN 325-HO Culture, Power, and Place

Taught by a new visiting professor

Mondays and Wednesdays 11:20 am — 12:50 pm

This course introduces the student to the field of political anthropology, the study of power in situated cultural contexts, with an emphasis in international examples. Case studies examine a variety of social movements, notably environmentalism and nationalism. We will consider the importance of ecology, religion, symbolism, and local politics in the context of a long and continuing process of globalization.

May be used to fulfill the major and minor in Environmental Studies, Civic Engagement minor, and Film major concentration in Civic Engagement.

For students who entered Wagner College during or before Summer 2018, this Honors course fulfills the International Perspective (I) requirement.

For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, this Honors course can be counted as a Social Science course in the Knowledge Areas, and it provides the following Key Skill: intensive Intercultural Understanding (UU).

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CH 221-HO Introduction to Scientific Computing

Dr. Sharma

Wednesdays and Fridays 9:40–11:10 am

This course provides students an enjoyable, yet rigorous introduction to applications of computing across the sciences. The course trains students to adopt a computational thinking mindset and to learn data analysis and data visualization skills using the Mathematica symbolic computation platform. Students will also learn molecular drawing, editing and visualization using software that is routinely used in research laboratories.

This Honors section of the course is open only to first-year students and sophomores.
One of the following courses must be taken prior to (prerequisite) or concurrently with (co-requisite) Introduction to Scientific Computing: CH 111, MA 121, or PY 131. This Honors course can be counted as a Sciences & Mathematics course in the Knowledge Areas, and it provides the following Key Skills:

- intensive Technological Competency (TT)
- practice/exposure Oral Communication (O)
- practice/exposure Quantitative Thinking (Q)

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EN 111-HO World Literature: Journeys and Encounters

Dr. Bernardo

Mondays and Wednesdays 2:40–4:10 pm

This course will focus on human, animal, and supernatural encounters and how these meetings and transformations shed light on what it is to be human and how environments help shape the self. We will read works by writers such as Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Salman Rushdie, Angela Carter, and Octavia Butler.

For students who entered Wagner College during or before Summer 2018, this Honors course is writing intensive (W), fulfills the English literature requirement (LIT), and meets the International Perspectives requirement (I).

For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, this Honors course counts as a Humanities (H) course in the Knowledge Areas and provides the following Key Skills:

- intensive Intercultural Understanding (UU)
- practice/exposure Critical Reading and Analysis (R)
- intensive Written Communication (WW)

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EN 203-HO / RE 203-HO Spiritual Quest in Literature

Dr. Kaelber

Tuesdays 6:00–9:00 pm
An examination of some major pieces of fiction concerned with heroes on a search for meaning and purpose in their lives. Their search often leads them far from traditional religious beliefs.

Cross-listed as English 203 and Religion 203

For students who entered Wagner College during or before Summer 2018, this Honors course fulfills the English literature requirement (LIT).

For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, this Honors course counts as a Humanities (H) course in the Knowledge Areas and provides the following Key Skills:

- practice/exposure Intercultural Understanding (U)
- intensive Critical Reading and Analysis (RR)
- practice/exposure Creativity (C)

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GOV 317-H Civil Liberties and Human Rights

Dr. Ghosh

Wednesdays and Fridays 2:40–4:10 pm

Examines the relationship of constitutional law to politics and society, with particular emphasis on the conflicting values of liberty and equality in the Bill of Rights. Analyzes controversial issues such as abortion, free speech, capital punishment, affirmative action, and the “war on terrorism.” Explores the concept of human rights from a philosophical, political, legal, moral, and global perspective.

For students who entered Wagner College during or before Summer 2018, this Honors course fulfills the American Diversity (D) requirement and provides a writing-intensive experience (W).

For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, this Honors course counts as a Social Science (S) course in the Knowledge Areas and provides the following Key Skills:

- intensive Intercultural Understanding (UU)
- intensive Critical Reading and Analysis (RR)

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Honors Course as Part of ILC for Nursing Majors: NR 224-HO Nutrition & Health
Dr. Aurelus  
Fridays 8:00–11:00 am  
This intermediate learning community (ILC), intended for Nursing majors, includes an Honors section of NR 224 Nutrition & Health. This ILC that looks at the cellular nutrition of eukaryotes (humans) vs. the nutrition of prokaryotes (bacteria). The ILC also covers the similarities and differences in the structure, function and role of carbohydrates, proteins, lipids, vitamins and trace elements in humans and bacteria. Finally, it looks at the immunological aspects of nutrition across the human life span compared to the immunological aspects in disease prevention.

Students seeking a more challenging approach to the study of Nutrition & Health are invited to take any section of MI 200 to complete the two-course ILC. (Allowing students to take any section of MI 200 is both a response to increased enrollment in the Nursing major and the goal of providing an Honors section of NR 224.)

MI 200 Microbiology — Bobbitt — Select any section of MI 200  
MI 200L Microbiology Lab — Select any section of MI 200L (one 2-hour lab per week)  
NR 224-HL Nutrition & Health — Aurelus — Fridays 8:00–11:00 am  
For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, NR 224 provides the following Key Skill: practice/exposure Information Literacy (L).

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PS 101-HO Introduction to Psychology  
Dr. Wagner  
Mondays and Wednesdays 2:40–4:10 pm  
This Honors section of Introduction to Psychology is a survey course dealing with the major fields of psychology, including learning, perception, memory, motivation, development, social behavior, disorders of psychological functioning, and physiology of
behavior. An introduction to the methodology, frameworks, and principles of contemporary scientific psychology.

For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, this Honors course can be counted as a Social Science course in the Knowledge Areas, and it provides the following Key Skill: practice/exposure Quantitative Thinking (Q).

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SPC 103-HO Public Speaking

Prof. Tennenbaum

Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:40–4:10 pm

A hands-on, practical approach to the study and practice of effective oral communication. Through a series of speaking assignments students will develop strategies to assist them in organizing their thoughts and overcoming performance anxiety on their way to becoming effective speakers. Different types of speeches will be covered including informative, demonstrative and persuasive. The course also includes preparation for special occasion speeches (awards, honors, ceremonies, weddings, etc.) as well as one-on-one situations. The primary goal of the class is to create relaxed, confident speakers who can be comfortable in any situation, whether formal or socially casual.

For students who entered Wagner College in or after Fall 2018, this Honors course provides the following Key Skill: intensive Oral Communication (OO).

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