DEPARTMENTAL HONORS in MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES

Departmental Honors offers distinction to the best students in the major. This program recognizes accomplishments in the following three areas: scholarship, leadership, and professionalism.

Departmental Honors Requirements:

- Graduating overall GPA of 3.5, and a departmental GPA of 3.7.
- Must take and pass MLT ASCP certification exam and take the MLS ASCP certification exam once course work is complete.
- Must do at least one of the following projects:
  - Complete MLS 4803 & 4804 with a grade of A and submit their research for publication in ERGO.
  - Write a formal review article under the supervision and approval of the Departmental Honors Advisor and a faculty mentor. The paper must be at least 10 pages with a minimum of 50 citations of primary research articles.
  - Conduct an Interprofessional Education (IPE) event that brings together students, employees, and/or faculty from at least two departments in the health professions field.
- Complete at least 20 hours of documented major-related community service or 20 hours of documented activity to a major-related health profession organization.
- Student must apply to the Department Honors program at the start of their second year in the program for campus students or in the first year of their bachelor’s degree online. The student will submit a portfolio documenting their activities listed above to the Honors Advisor during the semester they plan to graduate.

Students who have not completed their General Education requirements are encouraged to take Honors General Education classes.

Applying for Departmental Honors:

- Download and complete the Departmental Honors Application, available on the WSU Honors webpage, weber.edu/honors/forms.html.
- Meet with the Medical Laboratory Sciences Departmental Honors Advisor, who will review and sign your application.
- Submit the completed application to the Honors Program Advisor, who is located in LI 324. You will receive notification confirming your acceptance into the program.
- **Note:** you must be admitted into Departmental Honors at least one semester before graduating.

Applying for Graduation with Departmental Honors:

- Early in the semester of anticipated graduation, download and complete the Departmental Honors Exit Application, found on the WSU Honors webpage, weber.edu/honors/forms.html.
- Meet with the Medical Laboratory Sciences Departmental Honors Advisor, who will review and sign off on your application.
- Submit the signed form to the Honors Program Advisor, who will clear you for graduation with Departmental Honors. You must still apply for graduation through the Graduation Office.
- **Note:** the Exit Application must be submitted prior to fall break for fall graduation and prior to spring break for spring graduation.

Recognition Through Departmental Honors:

- Your transcript and degree diploma will be printed with the distinction, “Departmental Honors in Medical Laboratory Sciences;”
- You will receive an invitation to all Honors Program social and educational events;
- You will receive an invitation to the Honors Nye Banquet when you graduate.

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