

**Campuswide Honors Collegium Board (CHCB)
LAUC-I Academic Senate Representative
2023-2024 Report**

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Council/Committee Name (acronym): Campuswide Honors Collegium Board (CHCB) *a
subcommittee of CTLSE*

Council/Committee Charge: Duties include:

1. Determine admission to the Collegium and the policies of admission, within adopted guidelines;
2. Certify graduation from the Collegium and determine policies relating to graduation;
3. Approve courses and instructors for lower- and upper-division courses in the Campuswide Honors Collegium curriculum, and determine the policies for same, within adopted guidelines;
4. Advise the chief administrator of the Campuswide Honors Collegium concerning the academic advising of students in the Collegium or enrolled in its courses, recruitment of such students, extracurricular opportunities and academic prerequisites (such as housing and library privileges) for Campuswide Honors Collegium students.

Link to Council/Committee Website:

<https://senate.uci.edu/committees/boards/campuswide-honors-collegium-board-chcb/>

Frequency of Meetings: quarterly board meetings; optional quarterly CHC meet and greet with students in Science Library

Major Activities:

- Review of Campuswide Honors Admissions Fall 2023 & Spring 2024: Admissions to CHC
- Capstone project: At the end of 2022-23 academic year, CHC discussed the idea of capstone projects that could be used to fulfill honors thesis requirements. During the beginning of the 2023-24 academic year, information was gathered about what peer institutions do to both ensure the flexibility of capstones and the rigor that is expected of an honors level thesis. The agenda item was brought back around in the Spring CHC

meeting and specifically focused on faculty oversight for off-campus experiences and the expectations of research (which would be demonstrated through the activity and/or a reflective paper). Programs like this already exist within Engineering where students can do an off-campus internship which is a 2 quarter practicum run through Undergraduate Advising. While no specific next steps were identified for the CHC board, CHC staff are continuing to work through these concerns with the hopes of developing a capstone project or practicum like option.

Issues of Concern to the Libraries:

- Opportunity for Capstone project: As mentioned in the 2023-24 report, there may be an opportunity for library participation in capstone projects if there are students and library staff interested in pursuing a mutually beneficial project and departmental priorities have space for this work.

Recommendations for New Reps/New Year:

- Opportunity for restarting discussion re: eScholarship & students' honors theses: There have been fits and starts with consistently gathering CHC students' honors theses. Colleagues in Digital Scholarship Services have worked with various honors programs at the individual school level to accomplish this. While attempts have been made to work on a larger scale with CHC to accomplish this across the board, there have been communication & scope creep challenges with the project. Mitchell Brown and Paul Kim have the most direct knowledge about the project history. It may be an opportunity for the LAUC-I rep to work with Mitchell and Paul to help shepherd conversations, if both sides have the desire/bandwidth to resume pursuit of the project.