



WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY

Honors Program

HONORS ECCLES FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Honors Eccles Fellows Program offers faculty an enhanced opportunity to weave their scholarly interests into their teaching. An Eccles Fellow develops a new course for the Honors Program, ideally with a colleague from a different discipline, on a topic related to some shared point of scholarly interest. Eccles Fellows are compensated for 3 hours of teaching time and provided with 3 hours of release time to advance scholarship and teaching presentations related to the class. In keeping with Honors Program expectations, both professors should be in the class every day that the class is held and commit to meeting weekly for course prep.

In addition to the compensation of 6 hours for each faculty member, the Eccles class receives \$3000 for curricular innovations and class enrichment activities, including possibilities such as field trips, equipment purchases, performance tickets, workshops, guest speakers, etc. These funds must be used to enhance the class in a direct, tangible manner.

Please note:

- Release time should be taken during the same semester that the class is offered;
- The course should be a new offering;
- Eccles Fellows are expected to use their HNRS 3900 class as material for presentations and publications;
- Department Chair(s) must agree to release the Eccles Fellow for both teaching and **meaningful** release time (i.e. **no overload** the semester the release time is taken);
- Eccles Fellows **may not** teach overload during the semester they take release time;
- Eccles Fellows must participate in select Honors events that relate to the course, including a "Food For Thought" event and end-of-the-semester Open House events.
- Eccles Fellows are selected by the Honors Faculty Advisory Board and Honors Director.
- Fellowships are awarded for both fall and spring semesters.

Application process:

- Submit an application to teach an HNRS 3900 seminar class, either individually or with one other colleague;
- Strong preference is given to new, innovative interdisciplinary classes that share a common point of connection across areas of faculty research and interest;
- A single application should be submitted for team-taught classes.

Applications are due by 5 pm on November 1, 2024.

HONORS ECCLES FELLOW PROGRAM APPLICATION

Applicant name:	Co-Applicant name:
Department:	Department:
Email & Extension:	Email & Extension:

Please use the following pages to submit a proposal that consists of the sections below:

1. Please provide a brief description of the proposed class, including a detailed course syllabus.
2. Explain why the class is of value to students, and how the subject matter benefits from a multi-disciplinary perspective. How will this course enhance the Honors Program?
3. Describe how you will utilize the \$3000 in class enrichment funds, and how these funds will enhance student learning. Please include a draft budget that outlines the various cost components of your proposed enrichment activities or purchases.
4. Articulate the way that the class relates to your research, including copies of or references to any of your publications in this area or performed works. Please also explain how the Honors Eccles Fellowship will contribute to your research.

I, _____(Department Chair 1), support this application for an Honors Eccles Fellowship. I agree to reimbursement from the Honors Program for the Fellowship, **and will not assign overload classes to this faculty member** when s/he takes the related release time.

I, _____(Department Chair 2), support this application for an Honors Eccles Fellowship. I agree to reimbursement from the Honors Program for the Fellowship, **and will not assign overload classes to this faculty member** when s/he takes the related release time.

_____ Signature of Department Chair 1	_____ Signature of Department Chair 2
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Submit applications in PDF form to HonorsEccles@weber.edu

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