

Honors Program in Physics

To be recommended by the faculty for graduation with honors in physics, a student must complete at least 46 credits in upper-division physics courses, at least of which 40 credits must be taken for letter grades. Students must also satisfy either of the following two requirement groups.

1) Based on GPA: Earn at least a 3.50 grade point average in the 40 or more credits listed above.

2) Based on Research: Complete the following requirements for completion of an honor's thesis:

- A minimum grade point average of 3.3 in the 40 or more credits listed above.
- Registration for the honors thesis program (through the Physics advising office), including an acceptance signature of the faculty research adviser and a signature of another Physics faculty member before research begins.
- Completion of a minimum of 4 credits of Phys 401 research taken over two consecutive terms.
- Completion of a thesis, based on laboratory research, that is approved by the faculty research adviser and the other faculty member. A copy of the thesis is to be submitted to the Director of Undergraduate Studies.
- A public defense of the thesis attended by the faculty adviser and the other faculty member.