

# Honors Courses

## Fall 2024



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Course	CRN	Days	Times	Professor	Room
UNIV 1007	11274	MW	11 – 12:15	Dr. Lynn Stallings	Clement 218
HONR 1757	10320	MW	12:30 – 1:45	Dr. Amy Locklear	Clement 218
HONR 1957 (1 br.)	10323	F (alternating)	2 – 3:40	Dr. Christine Harrington	Clement 218
HONR 2757	10321	TTh	11 – 12:15	Dr. Darren Harris-Fain	Clement 218
HONR 3757	10322	TTh	12:30 – 1:45	Dr. Lynn Stallings	Clement 218

### UNIV 1007: University Success/Honors

**Dr. Lynn Stallings**

UNIV is designed to smooth your transition into college at AUM by asking you assess your previous academic success, identify strategies needed for your college success, and prepare for your future beyond your AUM college degree. The Honors section will be differentiated as we also discuss readings that ask you to think deeply about topics such as your calling, finding balance in your life, and your obligations to others. We will develop the Honors core values of critical and creative thinking, teamwork and leadership, and citizenship in a global community.

### HONR 1757: Hero's Journey

**Dr. Amy Locklear**

This first-year Honors seminar challenges students to consider the idea of the hero's journey, especially as it pertains to their own lives and to the time they will spend at AUM. Special emphasis is placed on the nature and value of knowledge, knowing, and education, and will explore the question, “what does it mean to be an educated person?” Although the course is designed to fulfill the ENGL 1010 Composition requirement for Honors students, those with credit for ENGL 1010 may count HONR 1757 towards AUM Core Requirements in Area II or IV.

### HONR 1957: Personal Finance

**Dr. Christine Harrington**

*Meets every other Friday and during exam week.*

The course covers practical personal finance topics to help you get off to a strong start financially and build wealth no matter your income. After covering budgeting, savings products, consumer loans, and related knowledge such as interest rates, we will delve into longer range planning such as investing, purchasing insurance, and ensuring you're prepared for retirement.

### HONR 2757: Science, Social Science, and Science Fiction

**Dr. Darren Harris-Fain**

This course will explore how science fiction intersects with the physical sciences and the social sciences in its depictions of stories and settings different from the familiar world we know. Through this course, students will investigate connections between the scientific disciplines and a specific genre of literature by reading and discussing texts, and writing about examples of science fiction in relation to either the physical sciences or the social sciences in a multi-part research-oriented project. The class will also include a review of research techniques and the application and citation of research in upper-level courses.

**HONR 3757: Research Seminar****Dr. Lynn Stallings**

Our focus will be how to conduct scholarly research, beginning with identification of a topic and the scope of the research, development of a rationale, location of appropriate sources, synthesis of relevant studies, and a general discussion of quantitative and qualitative research methods. Students are encouraged to use this course to develop their honors thesis proposal or explore a topic of interest within their major disciplines. The course is recommended for those intending graduate study.

***Honors Thesis:***

*If you can, schedule HONR 3957 in your junior year so that you can have plenty of time to complete your thesis.*

*Your thesis is done independently under the supervision of your mentor in your major. You will have a committee of three members: your major advisor, a second reader who is faculty in your major (or a closely related discipline), and the honors director.*

**HONR 3957: Honors Research***varies*

In this course, you work with your faculty mentor to decide on your research direction and methods. See <https://www.aum.edu/academics/university-honors-program/> or talk to Dr. Stallings or Ms. Jackie for more information. Fill out the form by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the semester. Ms. Jackie will create a section for you.

**HONR 4957: Honors Thesis***varies*

In this course, you continue and complete the research begun in HONR 3957. See <https://www.aum.edu/academics/university-honors-program/> or talk to Dr. Stallings or Ms. Jackie for more information. Ms. Jackie will create a section for you.

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## Summer 2024



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HONR 1957 <i>(1 hr.)</i>	31068	W	11 AM – 12:25 PM	Dr. Jessica Bodily	Clement 218

### **HONR 1957: *The Science Behind Choices***

**Dr. Jessica Bodily**

This course will focus on decision-making processes by exploring a variety of choice literature, with attention allocated to suboptimal choice in particular. We will read peer-reviewed scientific articles that employ a variety of procedures and different types of research subjects. Our goal will be to find the direct applications and implications of the research that we discuss to how we make choices every day.