# Program Requirements

1. **Minor**: Declare and complete the Honors Minor in Interdisciplinary Studies, which requires 19 units of coursework (see the Honors Minor Brochure for more details).

2. **Study Abroad**: Complete a credit-bearing study abroad experience.
   - Students should first attend a Study Abroad Information Session. Dates are listed every semester at: [http://www.isc.sdsu.edu/study_abroad/pr_information_sessions.html](http://www.isc.sdsu.edu/study_abroad/pr_information_sessions.html)
   - You must “register” your study abroad program with the honors International Coordinator Karey Sabol in advance of the program, and document completion of the experience upon your return.

3. **Senior Project**: Complete a culminating senior assignment. Choose one of three options:

   **Thesis Option**: A systematic study of a significant problem. It identifies the problem, states the major assumptions, explains the significance of the undertaking, sets forth the sources for and methods of gathering information, analyzes data, and offers a conclusion or recommendation.
   
   If you want to do a thesis, you need one year to complete it...take HONOR 490A in the semester before you graduate and take HONOR 490B in the semester that you graduate.

   If you are a member of a departmental honors program that requires a thesis, you may fulfill the Honors Program thesis requirement by completing the departmental thesis requirements. In such instances, you may take the departmental honors research or thesis course(s). This coursework would be accepted in lieu of HONOR 490B.

   **Project Option**: A significant undertaking appropriate to the fine and applied arts or to professional fields. A project creates a product (e.g., short story, business plan, visual arts project).
   
   If you want to do a project, you need one semester to complete it...take HONOR 490B in the semester that you graduate.

   **Portfolio Option**: Contains a generous sample of the student’s best academic work selected from many disciplines generated throughout the student’s four years of college, as well as a paper that integrates this collection of artifacts with current personal observations of educational growth and development, and demonstrates understanding of Honors objectives.
   
   If you want to do a portfolio, you need one semester to complete it...take HONOR 490C in the semester that you graduate.

   If you are a member of a departmental honors program that requires a portfolio, you may fulfill the Honors Program portfolio requirement by completing the departmental portfolio requirements. In such instances, you may take the departmental honors portfolio course(s). This coursework would be accepted in lieu of HONOR 490C.

4. **Participation**: Attend at least one Honors Program Student Society meeting per semester AND participate in at least two Honors Program approved events per semester.

5. **GPA**: Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 by the time you apply for graduation.