Year-End Honors Council

End-of-the-year report:

a. The Honors Council met Tuesday, November 6 from 2:00-4:00 PM. Present were Bhattacharjee, Gissendanner, Griswold, Hill, Kim, and Smith; Absent were Martin, Melancon, and Nichols.
   i. The Council was given a copy of the Retention Report put together for the Provost and a copy of proposed Honors Programs revisions put together for the Provost (both attached).
   ii. The Council approved revisions to the Honors Program to take effect immediately; the substantive changes being redesigning the Honors Core Curriculum to parallel the University’s redesigned Core Curriculum and the creation of POLS 2010 as an option for the Social Science requirement. The number of hours required for honors options was fixed; the number of hours required for foreign language was reduced (documents attached).
   iii. There was discussion regarding Honors Math and Honors Science; however, the Council voted not to add these two courses to the Honors curriculum because programs across campus have such varied math and science requirements.
   iv. The GPA for Honors in the College was reduced to 3.4; Honors in the Major was eliminated (documents attached).
   v. A motion was made by Dr. Gissendanner to consider an electronic application process; the Council approved the motion.

b. Curriculum changes were approved by the UCC at their December meeting.

c. Brian Taylor has created an online application process to begin for the 2013-2014 application year.