

**Virginia Tech  
Honors College  
Presidential Global Scholars Program  
Credits Earned**

**PGS and General Education**

PGS students earn 21 credits toward their CLE/Pathways General Education requirements at Virginia Tech as follows:

***Fall Semester***

1 credit pre-trip orientation course  
UH 1504: PGS Study Abroad Pre-Departure Seminar

3 credits of ITAL

***Spring Semester***

15 credits of PGS-specific, UH courses

UH 2504: Topics in Discourse and Global Citizenship  
UH 2524: Topics in Natural Sciences and Global Citizenship  
UH 2534: Topics in Design, Arts, and Global Citizenship  
UH 2544: Topics in Social Science and Global Citizenship  
UH 2554: Topics in Humanities and Global Citizenship

3 credits of ITAL

3 credits of UH 4994H: Honors Undergraduate Research

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PGS thus provides 21 hours of courses that count toward students' CLE/Pathways requirements.

3 credits of Discourse ----- CLE Area 1: Writing and Discourse  
3 credits of Natural Science ----- CLE Area 4: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery  
3 credits of Design and the Arts ----- CLE Area 6: Creativity and Aesthetic Experience  
6 credits of Social Science ----- CLE Area 3: Society and Human Behavior  
6 credits of Humanities ----- CLE Area 2: Ideas, Cultural Traditions, and Values

## **PGS and Honors Credits**

PGS students earn a minimum of 20 credits toward their Honors diplomas by taking –

UH 1504: PGS Study Abroad Pre-Departure Seminar (2 credits)

UH 2504: Topics in Discourse and Global Citizenship (3 credits)

UH 2524: Topics in Natural Sciences and Global Citizenship (3 credits)

UH 2534: Topics in Design, Arts, and Global Citizenship (3 credits)

UH 2544: Topics in Social Science and Global Citizenship (3 credits)

UH 2554: Topics in Humanities and Global Citizenship (3 credits)

UH 4994H: Undergraduate Research (3 credits)

In addition, PGS students have the option of enrolling in their ITAL courses for Honors credit:

ITAL 1105/1106/2105/2106 H (3 or 6 credits)

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Successful PGS students would thus earn 20 credits toward their Honors diplomas. Motivated PGS students who take their Italian courses for honors credit could earn 23 or 26 credits toward their Honors diplomas. See below for more details.

**Honors Laureate: Self-Directed Diploma**  
 Presidential Global Scholars Program Credit Fulfillment

The following information details how the credits earned through the Presidential Global Scholars Program apply to the credit requirements of an Honors Laureate: Self-Directed Diploma.

The Four Elements of an Honors Education are:

- 1) **Honors College Curriculum**
- 2) **Disciplinary Depth**
- 3) **Transdisciplinary Capabilities**
- 4) **Undergraduate Research & Guided Experiential Learning**

An Honors Laureate Diploma requires at least 6 credits from each element. Upon graduation, students are required to complete at least 30 total credits, so the six final credits of the 30 can be of a student's choosing.

**Honors College Curriculum**

Credits Met	Credits Remaining
UH 1504 (2) UH 25XX (3)	1

**Disciplinary Depth**

Credits Met	Credits Remaining
UH 25XX	3

**Transdisciplinary Capabilities**

Credits Met	Credits Remaining
25XX (3) 25XX (3)	0

**Undergraduate Research & Guided Experiential Learning**

Credits Met	Credits Remaining
UH 4994 (3) UH 25XX (3)	0

**Additional 6 Credits**

Credits Met	Credits Remaining
	6

*Up to 6 honors credits are available for required Italian courses with Faculty–Student Agreements*

