# HONORS COLLEGE VS HONORS PROGRAM

• The Honors college at Southern Arkansas University is a diverse college filled with students from Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and many other places around the world.

- Director Dr. Ed Kardas
- Assistant Director David Wingfield

- Students in the Honors College take up to 18 hours of General Education together
- This allows Honors College students to learn and achieve together in small classes designed to enhance their academic preparation for their goals
  - World history
  - Literature
  - Art appreciation/film appreciation
  - Pyschology
  - U.S. history
  - Philosophy
  - Honors seminar (first class taken by all Honors students)

 Honors College students must complete a minimum of 24 honors course hours in order to receive an honors degree.

# HONORS TRIPS

- A great opportunity the Honors College offers students is the chance to go to many other places and learn about the culture and history of those places.
  - Vicksburg
  - Mississippi
  - Clinton Presidential Library
  - Paris, France

- Students who qualify and participate in the honors program will receive a \$600 a year stipend.
- Students who complete the course requirements of the Honors College will receive special recognition at graduation and will receive the distinction as "Southern Arkansas University Honors College Graduate" on their transcripts and diplomas.

 The main difference between honors college and the honors program comes down to size, budgets, operational control, residential opportunities, and the rank of the chief officer.



- The honors program offers carefully designed educational experiences that meet the needs and abilities of the undergraduate students it serves.
- A clearly articulated set of admission criteria (e.g., GPA, SAT score, a written essay, satisfactory progress, etc.) identifies the targeted student population served by the honors program.
- The program clearly specifies the requirements needed for retention and satisfactory completion.



- The honors director reports to the chief academic officer of the institution.
- Members of the honors program also usually have to do undergraduate work.
- And the curriculum of the program is designed to satisfy general education requirements as well.



- The honors program also requires a set of professors that meet the requirements to teach the courses they are assigned.
- The program must have a reputed model of success that is upheld all around the campus.

- The program usually has a headquarters on campus that provides space for members, honors faculty, and a lounge, library and reading rooms.
- Another requirement is a standing council with an officer who is involved on campus. This council is for the honors college and other departments on campus.
- Honors students can be promised a voice in this council through an honors committee made up of honors students.

- The program also serves as a laboratory where faculty and students can experiment with new subjects.
- Honors students do not get a stipened from the honors program just the honors college.
- The students in the honors college can also be members of the honors program.
- The honors college and honors program are two separate institutions although they share many likenesses.