

HONORS DIGEST

YOUR BI-MONTHLY ROUND-UP OF HONORS EVENTS & INFO



TOPICS AT A GLANCE

- **Upcoming Events & Deadlines**
- **Honors Department Introductions**
- **Honors Program Student Advisory Board**

Have news to share or an event to promote? Send your accomplishments, news, and events to Erin to be shared on the Honors website and in upcoming Honors Digests!

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UPCOMING EVENTS & DEADLINES

Honors Speed Social

Thursday, September 23, 2021 | 7-8 PM

Eisenberg Reading Room, Sensenbrenner Hall

- Freshman will be paired with Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors in a fast paced speed social that rotates every few minutes. Short, fun, and low pressure. Cookies will be provided!

Honors Study Abroad Award Applications

Application Deadline: October 15, 2021

- Honors offers awards ranging from \$500-\$1500 for study abroad programs. Watch your email for instructions on how to apply!

Honors Research Symposium

Save the Date: November 11, 2021

- The Honors Research Symposium showcases the hard work of the 2021 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship awardees and MU4Gold Research Scholars. More details to come!

HONORS DEPARTMENT INTROS



Amelia Zurcher, Director

Amelia has been teaching at Marquette University since 1998 as faculty in the English department. She joined the Honors Program as director in 2012. Her academic field is seventeenth-century literature and culture and she just published an article on trauma and women's spiritual autobiography in seventeenth-century England. She is also currently working on a scholarly project, with an Honors junior, on grading. Amelia has two sons and a very adorable teenage dog named Percy who liked the stay at home part of the pandemic better. Her favorite part of Honors is all the work she gets to do with student collaborators, like Honors admissions and the peer mentor program.



Sofia Ascorbe, Assistant Director

Sofia grew up in Miami, Florida, and moved to Wisconsin to attend Marquette for college. She graduated from MU's Honors Program in 2014, majoring in English Literature and Philosophy. After MU, Sofia attended the University of Wisconsin Law School in Madison. Once she obtained her law license in 2017, she spent more than three years practicing law in downtown Milwaukee at Legal Action of Wisconsin, a non-profit civil legal aid firm focusing on consumer and housing law. She then became the Assistant Director of the firm's Eviction Defense Project which provides free in-court legal representation to low-income Milwaukee tenants facing eviction. In January 2021, Sofia joined Marquette as the Honors Assistant Director. She also serves as an MU advocate assisting Marquette community members who experience sexual assault. She looks forward to supporting Honors students during their time at Marquette, and welcomes all sorts of conversations with students related to the Honors Program and non-profit/legal career discernment.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR REMINDERS

VISIT THE MU ACADEMIC CALENDAR
WEBPAGE FOR FULL DETAILS

Fall Break

- October 21-22, 2021

Honors Registration Begins:

- November 13, 2021

Withdrawal Deadline

- November 19, 2021

Thanksgiving Break

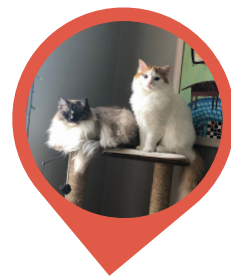
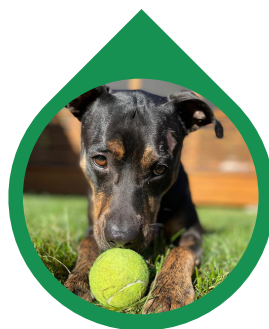
- November 24-28,
2021

Winter Break

- December 19, 2021 -
January 17, 2022



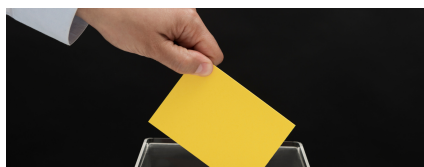
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Erin Brooker-Miller, Administrative Assistant

Erin joined Marquette Honors in October 2020 as the Administrative Assistant. In addition to working at MU, Erin is a professional classical and Irish harpist and is the Principal Harpist of the Des Moines Symphony. She has degrees in harp performance from both the University of Illinois and Indiana University. Erin is also a graduate student at MU pursuing an MBA in the Business School. Beyond working and performing, Erin spends as much of her time as possible outside, especially hiking, kayaking, and gardening. Her house is full of noise with her four harps, percussionist husband, two cats (Humphrey and Punkin), and dog (Franklin).

HONORS PROGRAM STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD



FALL ELECTIONS

Friday, September 10:

- Applications to run as a student rep due

Monday, September 13 - Wednesday, September 15:

- Elections open for voting

Thursday, September 16:

- Election results announced

