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Pursue Your Research Interests

Scholar’s Electives students may apply to be part of this academic community, regardless of their chosen program of study. This means, we’ve drawn students from Economics, Global Studies, History, Political Science and beyond. They have and continue to research topics including:

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During your first year, you will collaborate with your peers and develop relationships with the faculty members who will supervise your progress throughout the remaining years of the program.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
You will complete an Honors degree, with either an Honors Specialization or Double Major, in any program offered at Huron, and combine that program with the additional 3.0 courses of the Scholar's Electives program. You may also engage in Huron's Scholar's Electives program, while combining your degree with an HBA from Ivey.

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