

## SCHOLAR'S ELECTIVES

IS A LIMITED ENROLMENT PROGRAM, OPEN TO FULL-TIME STUDENTS WITH A MINIMUM FINAL AVERAGE OF 90%

The program is designed for high-achieving students who wish to add an interdisciplinary module to their primary discipline-based Honors degree program. Admission is determined on the basis of grades and answers to supplemental application questions. For more information about the application process for the Scholar's Electives program at Huron, please see [huronatwestern.ca/scholars-electives-program](http://huronatwestern.ca/scholars-electives-program)

## 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:

- Representations of beauty during the Renaissance
- Art and social movements in Latin America
- Voting behaviour in immigrant communities
- Victorian spiritualism and the occult
- Comparative genocide studies
- Financial markets

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Research and Collaboration

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# ENGAGE IN A REMARKABLE ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

HURON AT WESTERN IS YOUR DESTINATION FOR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH LEARNING. OUR UNIVERSITY'S SMALL SIZE AND DEDICATED FACULTY MEAN WE CAN TAILOR LEARNING EXPERIENCES TO SUIT INDIVIDUAL STUDENT TRAJECTORY AND INTEREST.

Scholar's Electives offers students with outstanding academic potential the opportunity to pursue their personalized research interests through faculty mentorship, networking with like-minded peers and participation in extracurricular activities that foster intellectual curiosity.

BECOME PART OF A COMMUNITY OF HIGH-ACHIEVING STUDENTS WHO LEARN COLLABORATIVELY WITHIN A UNIQUELY ENRICHING ENVIRONMENT.

The Scholar's Electives program is designed to teach you the skills of independent research. There are no limits to what you can investigate, so no matter where you're headed, this highly individualized program will enhance your chances of getting there.

This program will help you distinguish yourself as a motivated scholar whose portfolio is highly attractive to future employers and post-graduate educational institutions.

## VICTORIA FERNANDES | YEAR 3

Honors Specialization, Economics + Scholar's Electives

## URVI MAHESHWARI | YEAR 3

Honors Specialization, Psychology + Scholar's Electives

## ASHLEY NGO | YEAR 3

Honors Specialization, Economics + Scholar's Electives

*"There are very few institutions and programs that support this level of academic freedom and imaginativeness. You not only get to bond with people who share your passion for scholarly exploration, but you also readily see the connection between what you're studying and the broader world. You take part in dynamic discussions with your peers and professors, and you develop a sincere appreciation for different perspectives from different people and disciplines, which (re)shapes the way you interact with the world."*

– Our current Scholar's Electives Students



## 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.

## ESTABLISHING THE FOUNDATIONS OF ACADEMIC EXPLORATION

The first year of the Scholar's Electives program sets the tone for meaningful scholarly investigation through a set of interdisciplinary courses that teach you to understand and apply alternative research approaches. You will begin to identify the issues you want to explore and learn how to refine a research question and determine a strategy for answering it effectively.

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.

## YOUR SCHOLAR'S ELECTIVES ROADMAP

### YEAR 1

**IDIS 1101F/G Approaches to Research** and  
**IDIS 1102F/G Building a Research Project**

These two half-year courses focus on introducing the skills needed to develop research questions and build a research project, including disciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches to research, principles and practices of research methods, and information literacy.

### YEAR 2

**IDIS 2201 F/G: Research Placement**

This second-year internship involves working alongside a faculty member on a research project related to the faculty member's area of expertise.

### YEAR 3

**IDIS 3301 F/G/Z: Major Research Project**

During the research fellowship, the student designs and carries out their own research project with the mentorship of a faculty member.

### YEAR 4

**IDIS 4900E: Research Communication**

This final capstone course consists of a major year-long project designed by the student, with supervision and assessment by an interdisciplinary panel of faculty members, with a final public presentation to the community.

**YEARS 2-4:** Upper year coursework in the Scholar's Electives program is a set of scaffolded independent research projects taken with the supervision of a faculty mentor. These courses are flexible, and may be scheduled to suit your individual program needs.

## MATTHEW CHASMAR | YEAR 3

Honors Specialization,  
Political Science + Scholar's Electives

## ALYSSA KAMINSKI | YEAR 3

Honors Specialization, History with a Minor  
in Transitional Justice + Scholar's Electives