Honors Program Points System 2012

Requirements for graduating with Honors include an Honors Points System. This system is set up to encourage students to actively participate in the Honors Program and to promote each student to be involved with their peers outside of Honors Classes. The system is used by the Honors Program staff to evaluate the level of involvement of each student.

The Honor Points system will apply immediately to all current Honors Students as a mechanism of evaluating “acceptable progress” in the Program. The Student Handbook states that retention in the Program “is based on GPA and acceptable progress within the Program.” In a given semester, students will be expected to earn at least 6 points. These points can come from any of the 7 categories mentioned below. Students who do not reach these goals will be placed on points probation*.

The categories of activity are as follows:

Point System stipulations:

- Each student must complete 6 points each semester. Failure to gain 6 points in one semester will result in the student being placed on points probation*. Failure to obtain the required number of points in two consecutive semesters will result in the students’ dismissal from the program.

- Each student can earn no more than 2 points per category, per semester (3 points for Senior Thesis attendance).

Categories:

1. EMS Meetings – Attending an EMS meeting.
2. EMS and Honors Program socials.
   - Picnics
   - Holiday events (ex. Christmas party)
   - Theme nights
   - Eat and Greets
3. Fundraising with EMS – Helping with any fundraising activities with EMS (ex. Applebee’s pancake feed).
4. Volunteering with EMS – Participating in any EMS sponsored service projects throughout the year.
5. EMS weekly events.
   - Bowling nights
   - Movie nights
6. Honors Senior Thesis presentations – Attending the Senior Thesis presentation of any Missouri Southern Honors Student.
7. Holding a position as an officer in a MSSU sponsored club.

All events sponsored by EMS or the Honors Program will have a sign in sheet for all students participating. No other documentation will need to be turned in to be given the point. To verify a
student’s point for holding a position as an officer a form, that can be found in the Honors office, needs to be filled out and signed by the faculty sponsor of the club, and turned back into the office.

*Points probation: A student who is put on probation for not obtaining the specified number of points (6) in a semester will be required to make those points up in the next semester (ex. If a student only gets 4 points in the fall then they will have to get 2 extra points in the following semester, making their total 8.) If the student fails to make up those points they will be dismissed from the program. Any student who fails to obtain their 6 or more points in their last semester cannot graduate with honors.

Event Calendar for EMS sponsored events Spring 2012

**EMS Meetings** Tuesdays at 5:15
- January 24th
- February 7th
- February 21st
- March 6th
- March 27th
- April 10th
- April 24th
- May 8th

**Eat and Greets** Fridays from 11:00am to 1:00pm
- January 27th
- February 10th
- February 24th
- March 9th
- March 30th
- April 13th
- April 27th

**Bowling Nights** Monday nights at 7:00pm
- January 30th
- February 13th
- February 27th
- March 12th
- April 2nd
- April 16th
- April 30th

**Movie Nights** Wednesdays or Thursdays at 7:00pm
- February 1st
- February 16th
- February 29th
- March 15th
- April 4th
April 19th
May 2nd

End of the year social will be held on the 1st of May in the BSU

An EMS Fundraiser will be held either the 18th or 25th of February or the 3rd of March. More details will be available soon.

An Honors Program sponsored night to the MSSU theatre will be held Thursday March 8th to attend Chicago