Honors TAP Committee Agenda	Monday, March 24, 2025 Anthropology Lab, Uhazy Hall 223 2:30-4:00 PM

Type of Meeting: Regular

Please Review/Bring: Agenda Packet & Minutes

Note Taker: Towana Catley

Committee members:	
Towana Catley, Faculty Co-Chair	Dr. Matthew Jaffe, Social & Behavioral Sciences
Dr. Darcy Wiewall, Faculty Co-Chair	David L. Adams, Social & Behavioral Sciences
Dr. Jedidiah Lobos, Dean MSE, Administrative Member	Kevin North, At-Large
Rae Agahari, Arts & Humanities	Dr. Rachel Jennings Tafarella, At-Large
Reina Burgos, Counseling	Hannah Valencia, Adjunct Representative
Dietra Jackson, Counseling	Vejea Jennings, Ex-Officio
Elinda Parkinson, Health & Safety Sciences	John Vento, Ex-Officio
Jacqueline Seekamp, Library	
Kaitlin Bessinger, Math Sciences Engineering	OPEN, Athletics & Kinesiology
Mike Pesses, Math Sciences Engineering	OPEN, Career Technical Education
Pavinee Villapando, Math Sciences, Engineering	OPEN, ASO Representative
Greg Langner, Language & Communication Arts	OPEN, ASO Representative

Items	Person	Action
I. Call to Order and Roll Call	Towana & Darcy	
II. Open Comments from the Public		
III. Approval of Agenda • Approval of Agenda – March 24, 2024	*All*	
IV. Approval of Minutes • Approval of Minutes – February 24, 2024	*All*	**Issues Discussed:** **Action Taken:** **Follow Up Items:**
IV. Informational Items • 2024-2025 Subject Area Awards Memo • UCLA TAP Numbers • Marketing Meeting	*All*	
V. Report • Division Meetings report • Honors TAP Committee Proxy	*All*	**Issues Discussed:** **Action Taken:** **Follow Up Items:**
VI. Action Item • April 28 meeting 3:00-4:30pm • Honors Option Online Classes/AVC Cap • Honors Graduation regalia • FPD's for 2025-2026/ Welcome Back Day • Spring Honors Mixer	*All*	**Issues Discussed:** **Action Taken:** **Follow Up Items:**
VII. Discussion • April 28 meeting 3:00-4:30pm • Honors Option Online Classes/AVC Cap • Honors Graduation regalia • FPD's for 2025-2026/ Welcome Back Day • Spring Honors Mixer • Student Success Conference 4/1-4/3 volunteers	*All*	**Issues Discussed:** **Action Taken:** **Follow Up Items:**

• 2024-2025 Honors TAP/SAA Convocation • 2024-2025 Honors TAP Goals		
• Adjournment		
• **NEXT MEETING DATE: April 28, 2025**		

ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE

Honors TAP Committee Minutes	**Monday, February 24, 2025** **ZOOM Meeting** **2:30-4:00 PM**

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Note Taker: Towana Catley

Committee members: (bolded names in attendance)	
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I. Call to Order and Roll Call	Towana & Darcy	2:34pm
II. Open Comments from the Public		

III.   Informational Items
     • President and Dean's List
     • Call Center Report
     • 2024-2025 Subject Area Awards Memo (SAA)
     • Honors Ambassadors
	Towana & Darcy	**President and Dean's List:**
		Numbers keep increasing! Hooray!
		
		Fall 2024
		President List (3.75-4.0): 817
		Dean's List (3.5-3.74): 388
		
		Spring 2024
		President List: 719
		Dean List: 352
		
		Fall 2023
		President List : 722
		Dean List: 351
		
		January/Intersession Call Center Honors
		45 students were enrolled in honors courses that are not in the program. Majority of students who were called did report they were aware they were enrolled into an honors course
		
		SAA Memo:
		     o Memo was emailed to Deans & Admins 12/6/2024
		     o Memo email to everyone 2/3/25

IV. Approval of Minutes • •Approval of Minutes – November 25, 2024	*All*	**Issues Discussed:** No changes/edits requested to November 25, 2024 minutes. **Action Taken:** Greg approves, Rachel seconds, Dean Lobos, No abstentions. **Follow Up Items:**	
V. Report • Division Meetings report for 3.24.25	*All*	n/a	
VI. Action Item • English 102 H, Rachel Jennings Tafarella • Honors Option (HO) Online Classes • Honors rebrand/logo • Cap on Honors Courses at Other Colleges	*All*	**Issues Discussed:** **Action Taken:** **ENGL102 Honors Proposal by Rachel Jennings-Tafarella** Kevin motions to approve. Elinda seconds, everyone approves with motion to have ENGL102 Honors added to the Honors course listings. **HO Online Classes:** Will bring back for discussion in the March meeting as committee members will bring feedback from their divisions. **Cap on Honors courses at other colleges:** Committee **Honors rebrand/Logo:** Feedback of committee is to go with the proposed draft. Hannah moves, Greg seconds, all in favor to move forward with new logo. **Follow Up Items:**	
VII. Discussion • English 102 H, Rachel Jennings Tafarella • Honors Option Online Classes • Cap on Honors Courses at Other Colleges • 2024-2025 Honors TAP/SAA Convocation • Spring Honors Mixer • Student Success Conference 4/1-4/3 • Honors Graduation regalia • Honors TAP Proxy • Honors rebrand/logo	*All*	**Issues Discussed:** **ENGL102 Honors Proposal by Rachel Jennings-Tafarella** Faculty members provided support and positive feedback with proposal which reflected much thought was put into it. Professor has provided this as an Honors Option, and reports she had the time to grow it into a full honors course. Professor asks a question to the committee regarding how one can cover the material while having a balance time. Elinda and Greg shares insights. **Honors Convocation/SAA Nominations** Dean Lobos brings back the idea of areas vs discipline courses, and the issue of consistency and fairness when identifying qualifying courses for SAA nomination. This has been an ongoing conversation.	

		Vento brings up the length of Honors Convocation when adding more to SAA list. Dr. Jaffe and Tamira share insights from past conversations inconsideration of the time constraints and program flow of the Honors Convocation.
		To account for all subject areas with the limited 2 hours of Honors Convocation, it was proposed to remove the bio speeches of SAA recipients. Alternative program schedule was explored where SAA recipients can still be acknowledged such as having a second smaller ceremony like that of the AVC Foundation for scholarship recipients. Another idea is to have their bios marketed through AVC Marketing (i.e. TV screens, campus updates) AND for the honors convocation program to provide a link/QR code where bios can be accessed. No speech is said, but in its place is a bio accessible at an online/honors convocation location. All agree the nominating faculty is responsible for putting together the SAA recipient bio (what use to be the 1 minute speech). SAA memo still stands, but interpretation of areas is now applied across the board with ONE nominated student per area.
		Cap on Honors Courses at other colleges:
		How many courses will we accept from another institution? With increase of online courses (cvc.edu) similar thoughts were expressed by committee with honors option online classes. To be equitable, and not limit students and their choices, the committee expressed their support for unlimited honors courses to be taken at other colleges whether in person or online. If universities do not have a limit, then we should not either; and give credit as universities would. Honors TAP will highly "recommend" students to complete honors course requirements at AVC, but any taken elsewhere is accepted for Honors TAP completion.
		Honors Option Online Classes:
		Require all HO faculty to: - Review their HO proposals for online pedagogy - Make changes and present proposals to Committee if needed - Agree that they will meet with students 6 hours over the course of the semester via zoom - Only 1 HO online permitted

		David brings up equity and access as primary reasons why HO online courses should apply towards Honors course requirements. If the online course is asychronous, then the HO credit for that class should be allowed (as long as it follows the HO online guidelines). Pavinee brings concerns with the challenges of online math classes. **Honors Convocation/SAA Awards**: Date: May 8th 6-8pm SAA nomination form online at www.avc.edu/honors > Honors Convocation To date, Grad list have been requested twice now from A&R and we are still waiting for "the list". SAA nomination deadline is March 28th. Idea was presented to create an online platform where faculty must use credentials to log in to access list and do nomination form. Canvas? Report history of this of A&R Dean. This can be investigated for 2026 SAA nomination process. In lieu of timing, this year's nomination process will remain. More to be planned in detail in next 2 committee meetings with changes of convocation. **Honors rebrand/Logo:** Draft of proposed logo was shared. Feedback was positive. Rachel shared keeping the colors as is so it is simple and not to distracting. Towana shares that simplicity was intended as printing on various textures and sizes with multiple colors can increase costs for production. If committee approves to move forward, Towana will forward logo to AVC Marketing for approval and follow next steps for print. **Action Taken:** **Honors Convocation/SAA Nominations** Greg Langner moves to eliminate speeches and honor students other way which will be explored in next committee meeting(s). Elinda seconds. All present are in favor. **Follow Up Items:**

• Adjournment		4:00pm
• **NEXT MEETING DATE: March 24, 2025**		

 Committee Goals for the 2024-2025 Academic Year

I. Maintain membership in the AVC Honors Program (400 – 500 students).

II. Review, revise, and implement the new Honors Option Contract System including faculty training and an Honors TAP Option Proposal Repository.

III. Improve and maintain opportunities for students to complete Honors Options in needed and applicable areas.

IV. Develop a marketing strategy/campaign for Honors TAP Promotion.

V. Develop an Honors TAP Handbook for Students and one for Faculty.

VI. Continue to focus on student recruitment through the maintenance of all student email access, recruiting in Honors classes, participation in outreach community events, and social media.

VII. Maintenance of student TAP involvement via development of an honors student cohort through social events such as the Honors Program Mixers and Mid-Year Honors Student Check event.

VIII. Maintain the Honors Ambassadors Program.

IX. 2025 HTCC/UCR Research Conference: Encourage Faculty and Student participation & attendance.

X. Increase course and option offerings in STEM and non-101 GE level courses.

XI. Continue to hold the AVC Honors Convocation on a weeknight to encourage student and family participation in- person to celebrate Honors students, successful program completion, and Subject Area Award winners.

UCLA Transfer Admissions

Antelope Valley College - Lancaster

Preliminary figures for 2024 as of June 4

	Applicants			Admits			Enrolled			Admit Rate			Yield		
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024
Antelope Valley College	109	80	88	39	29	27	23	19	18	36%	36%	31%	59%	66%	67%
TAP	40	22	23	27	19	15	19	12	12	68%	86%	65%	70%	63%	80%
Non-TAP	69	58	65	12	10	12	4	7	6	17%	17%	18%	33%	70%	50%

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Total

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	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024
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Native American		1	2		0	1		0	1
African American	15	16	17	5	1	5	4	1	4
Chicano/Latino	54	41	38	23	17	9	14	11	5
** URM sub-total **	69	58	57	28	18	15	18	12	10
Asian	19	8	14	5	2	4	4	1	4
White	20	14	16	6	9	8	1	6	4
Other/Unknown			1			0			0
** TOTAL Domestic **	108	80	88	39	29	27	23	19	18
International	1			0			0		
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Social Sciences	36	21	31	12	9	13	9	5	8
Physical Sciences	12	4	7	6	2	2	1	2	1
Life Sciences	20	21	17	10	10	5	7	6	3
Humanities	15	9	5	9	6	3	5	4	3
Letters and Science	83	55	60	37	27	23	22	17	15
Engineering	15	14	16	1	2	4	0	2	3
Arts & Architecture	1	6	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theater, Film & TV	4	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Music	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nursing	3		2	1		0	1		0
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Female	59	44	51	24	19	16	18	13	11
Male	45	35	35	13	10	11	5	6	7
Non-binary	4	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Not Reported	1		1	0		0	0		0
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CA Resident	108	80	88	39	29	27	23	19	18
Non-resident	1			0			0		
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Admtd to Alt Major	2	2		2	2		2	1	
Admtd 1st Choice Major	107	78	88	37	27	27	21	18	18

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African American	6	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2
Chicano/Latino	20	11	8	16	9	6	11	5	4
** URM sub-total **	26	12	10	19	10	8	14	6	6
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African American	9	15	15	2	0	3	1	0	2
Chicano/Latino	34	30	30	7	8	3	3	6	1
** URM sub-total **	43	46	47	9	8	7	4	6	4
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