## UHP NEWS



**MSUB Honors Program** 

New Year 2017

Post-Holiday Greetings,

We had hoped to get this newsletter out before Christmas together with the congratulatory notes on your performance for the semester, but there was too short a turnaround time for that. We hope that your holidays have been festive, restful, and restorative.

- Kick-off and Advisory Council Meeting (Monday, January 23, 7:00 pm in the Honors Center) We will combine our traditional
  spring semester kick-off meeting with our monthly Advisory Council meeting. The Council played a crucial role in a number of
  Honors activities last semester—bowling night, service Saturday, and the holiday party—and so, in effect, expanding the
  Council for this kick-off meeting should enable us to accomplish even more. Call this meeting also the kick-off meeting for our
  revived Honors Club.
- Printing and Our Space The computer in our guest office is ready for your printing use now, and it's another step in making what had been a COE office complex into a hub for Honors activities (and food consumption!). On the latter, cookie and candy consumption was much higher on TT when the Perspectives class met, and, when apples were added to our repertoire, we had even more office visitors. We should have a refrigerator and microwave when you return, thus adding to our hubness.
- Reputation As you know, the UHP is not particularly well known on campus and, of course, one of our goals is becoming better known. In that regard, it bears remembering that reputations, ones that engender respect that is, are the result of accomplishments. They are not given to us either as individuals or as a program. Thus, for example, the Research, Creativity, and Community Involvement Conference has been an important reputation-increasing event for us. Why—because it has significantly increased the amount of undergraduate research done on campus and the visibility that research, creativity, and community involvement receive. As we enter 2017, thinking about what we can do as a program and as individuals to increase our reputation for accomplishment is an obvious goal
- Capstone Course Problem After all the arrangements for our Capstone course on Food Security and Hunger in Billings had been made, two students dropped the course, and we are now under the number necessary to make the course go. So we are scrambling to remedy the problem, since the capstone or departmental capstones that have the required features are necessary to graduate with an Honors degree.

2016 has been a year of many accomplishments—for example for the program, the approval of the Interdisciplinary Honors Minor and the Honors Graduate status—and, as is our custom, we be sending notes to you on your accomplishments.

All good wishes for an equally productive 2017. David Craig

HONR 499 CAPSTONE STUDENTS NEEDED FOR SPRING 2017 Spring Kick-off/Advisory Council Meeting January 23 @7pm in the Honors Space As always, we will have refreshments!

## **SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES:**

FEBRUARY 1 - General **MARCH 17 - Honors** 

Guest Lecture "My Miseducation" with Craig Lancaster

(award-winning author of best-seller 600 Hours of Edward)

January 26 @4:30 in LA 205

