Annual Report to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee The College Honors Program 2019-2020

The College Honors program is pleased to share its activities with the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. In the Rhode Island College organizational chart, the Honors Program reports directly to the Provost/VPAA of Rhode Island College and works closely with Department Chairs, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and Admissions.

Enrollment into the honors program was good this year, fall and spring offerings remained at current levels, and were able to support all students in the program. Due to the covid-19 pandemic, and the delay in deposits, freshman enrollment is indeterminate at this time. We are hoping to maintain an incoming freshman class of 50 students with the online orientation model.

Thirty students will graduate this May with General Education Honors, fifteen of whom also received College Honors. Twenty-seven students successfully completed departmental honors projects. The number of College Honors students and departmental projects remains healthy, and continues to be supported by strong faculty mentors who are willing to work with these talented students.

I hope more students across campus work on departmental honors projects, but I also hope that more students can have the opportunity to work on senior thesis/research projects even if they are not in the honors program. The honors program is coordinating with students in the McNair program in order to support research across the campus as a whole.