Requirements for Honors in Foreign Languages: The Honors Program in Foreign Languages gives students of high ability the opportunity to conduct independent research culminating in an honors thesis. In addition to satisfying general graduation requirements and all requirements for honors separately established by the Honors Council, candidates for honors in Foreign Languages must:

1. complete 12 hours of honors credit. One to six of these may be honors thesis hours; the remaining hours should be taken in disciplines chosen in consultation with the adviser;
2. complete an honors thesis in the major field, and pass an oral examination conducted by an honors committee, as evidence of substantial individual research skills;
3. demonstrate superior competence in language, culture, and literature by achieving a GPA of 3.5 in all upper-division courses submitted for the major.

Successful completion of these requirements will be recognized by the award of the distinction “Language Scholar Cum Laude.” Higher degree distinctions are recommended only in truly exceptional cases and are based upon the whole of the candidate’s program of honors studies.