UNCW Honors College
2014-2015…at a glance…

- Year-long anniversary celebration- 50 years of departmental honors graduates and 20 years of the 4-year Honors Scholars program
- Honors College grows to 691 students (3% increase from 2013-2014)
- 152 students in Honors First Year cohort (7.5% of freshman class)
- Honors 2014 freshman add 9 points to the entering SAT scores for UNCW freshmen
- Honors first to second year retention strong (90%)
- Honors recruitment visitation program remains popular- 49% yield.
- Two students complete “double honors” resulting in 138 University or Departmental Honors distinctions
- Honors and Randall Library Archives feature archival display for Honors 50/20 anniversary celebration
- UNCW Honors College featured as one of only 5 regional public honors programs in national handbook on honors education
- Second class of Wilmington Fellows begins UNCW journey
- 46 Undergraduate Research Scholars and 13 Distinguished Research Scholars recognized by at Student Showcases of Research and Creativity (exceeded target of 41 by 44%)
- Cohort of TABSA students completes Honors Projects
- Biology professor Alison Taylor receives Honors Faculty Mentor Award
- Camilla Herlevich, founder and executive director of North Carolina Coastal Land Trust, named 2015 Schweitzer Honors Scholar
- Noted paleontologist/author of “Finding Your Inner Fish” Neil Shubin (University of Chicago) is Honors Spring Speaker
- Honors Abroad Splashes to Cuba & Costa Rica encourage students to study abroad
- 17 % of Honors Students studied abroad this year
- 4 Honors Students meet Honors Global Citizen Recognition requirements
- New: King Mackerel Tournament and Battles-Mills Undergraduate Research Fellowships awarded
- CSURF presents two Showcases to spotlight over 180 posters of UNCW student research, with new digital display
- UNCW publishes 9th volume of Explorations, NC state undergraduate research journal
- Honors and ETEAL sponsor Summer Undergraduate Research and Creativity Awards (SURCA)
- Honors/CSURF receives unified budget allocation promoting faculty-mentored undergraduate research
- Four sections of HON 191- Introduction to Undergraduate Research and Discovery taught to freshmen and sophomores
- CSURF funds student participation at state, regional and national discipline, honors, and undergraduate research conferences
- 31 sections of honors university studies and 35 honors seminar sections (60 faculty from 31 different disciplines) offered in 2014-15
- First Honors seminars counting for University Studies offered- HON 211, HON 212, and HON 121
- Honors Student Media Board publishes two volumes of “Second Story” magazine and 3 newsletters
- Honors 50/20 anniversary events at Homecoming and Family Weekend- Honors Alumni and Family Teas
- Current and former Honors directors featured in “We are UNCW” to promote the 50/20 anniversary
- Wilmington Fellow Tiffany Ernst elected to National Honors Executive Board
- Seven Honors Scholars awarded NOAA Hollings Fellowships, including Wilmington Fellows Jin-Si Over and Danielle Siegert
- Honors alums Matt Birk (Bio, 13) and Derek Grimes (Physics, 14) awarded NSF Graduate Fellowships
- Honors Scholars Tobi Polland & Dan McCord serve as SGA President & VP for 2014-5
- Honors Senator position added to SGA; Wilmington Fellow Juliet Taylor elected
- Honors Scholar Alyssa Ritchie (Tennis) earns coveted UNCW Chancellor’s Cup
- Honors Scholars Alyssa Ritchie (Tennis) and Zack Hublitz (Tennis) named to the CAA All-Academic Team