Eckardt Scholars Program

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The Eckardt Scholars Program is a highly selective and unique
honors program in the College of Arts and Sciences. The program
emphasizes deep intellectual curiosity, independent work, and close
mentoring relationships among the very highest achieving students
and faculty at Lehigh. Students in the program are exempt from the
Arts & Sciences distribution requirements and work with their major
advisor and the Eckardt Scholars Program Director to create a flexible
course of study that best suits their academic interests and ambitions.
Although exempt from Arts and Sciences distribution requirements,
students will complete the requisite number of credits for their
degrees and all correlative requirements for their departmental or
interdisciplinary majors. The program includes participation in two
Eckardt Scholar Seminars, and completion of a large independent
project (in the form of a thesis, artistic creation, or other capstone
experience) during the senior year.

Courses
ECK 081 Eckardt Scholars Seminar 4 Credits
Seminar for first-year Eckardt Scholars offered during the Fall
semester. Consent of program director required.

ECK 281 Eckardt Scholars Seminar 4 Credits
Seminar for Eckardt Scholars offered during the Fall semester.
Consent of program director required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: ND

ECK 282 Independent Study 2-4 Credits
Directed readings for Eckardt Scholars. Requires consent of program
director.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: ND

ECK 389 Honors Project for Eckardt Scholars 1-8 Credits
Opportunity for Eckardt Scholars to pursue an extended project for
senior honors. Transcript will identify department in which project was
completed. Consent of department required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.