Motion to Change the Number of Credit Hours for the Honors Capstone Course

Referred by the University Academic Policies and Procedures Committee

Motion:

The Faculty Senate recommends changing the number of credit hours for the Honors Capstone Course in each Academic Department and School to read “3 credit hours.”

Rationale:

a. Some departments have the Honors Capstone Course listed in the Undergraduate Catalogue as 2-3 credits. The Honors Capstone Project requirement for all Honors students to graduate as a Highlander Scholar is 3-6 credit hours.

b. A 2 credit capstone would not fulfill the requirements to graduate as a Highlander Scholar.

c. Capstone Projects for more than 3 credit hours are rare and generally not encouraged. When necessary, projects for more than 3 credits are handled by having the student register for 3 credits hours of Directed Study, Independent Study or Undergraduate Research. If necessary, they may petition to ‘contract’ those hours for Honors Credit.