

# Commonwealth Honors College Terms of Agreement

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

UMass Email: \_\_\_\_\_ @umass.edu Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**As a Commonwealth Honors College (CHC) student, in addition to completing my University, college/school, and major requirements, I understand that membership in CHC requires me to:**

- Complete honors course requirements for either the full CHC curriculum or Depth of Study portion only - Departmental Honors (DH) or Multidisciplinary Honors (MH).
  - ***It is mandatory that all CHC students complete an Honors Thesis or Honors Portfolio***
- Maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of **3.400** or higher. CHC students must earn a **grade of B** or higher in honors courses in order for them to satisfy CHC curriculum requirements.
- Meet with a CHC advisor at least **once a semester** to review academic progress.
- Use my @umass.edu email account to review emails from and correspond with CHC and UMass Amherst staff.
- Check my CHC and University academic status regularly using the SPIRE "Academic Requirements Report" (ARR).
- Inform myself of all the CHC requirements and benefits as documented on our website: <https://www.umass.edu/honors/advising/handbook>
- Understand that CHC Residential Community (CHCRC) housing is not required or guaranteed, even if I've secured housing in the first year. All students must use the UMass residential housing process to select their housing preferences (in the spring). Not maintaining CHC status with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.4 will affect your opportunity to request honors housing.
- CHC students are charged a University fee each semester for membership benefits. This fee cannot be refunded- even if you do not take honors courses. To avoid unnecessary graduation delays and fees, I understand that I must email [records@honors.umass.edu](mailto:records@honors.umass.edu) to request withdrawal if I do not intend to complete CHC requirements.
- As a Commonwealth Honors Scholar, I commit myself to uphold the highest standards of academic integrity as an important aspect of personal integrity, and to honor and practice academic honesty.

**I understand the terms above.**

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

CHC Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_