Students who satisfy the following requirements of the Honors Program receive the B.A. in Comparative Literature with Honors. To be admissible to the honors program, an overall GPA of at least 3.0 and at least 3.5 in courses counted for major credit is required. The decision to enter the Honors Program should be made and discussed with the departmental undergraduate adviser at least 1 year (2 semesters) before graduation.

To be awarded Honors, majors in Comparative Literature on the Literature/Media/Critical Thought Track must complete 4 units of COLT 490x, Directed Research, and 4 units of COLT 495, Senior Honors Thesis. These courses replace two of the COLT courses required beyond the 4-course Concentration. Majors in Comparative Literature on the Foreign Language Track must complete, in place of two COLT courses, an additional course in the literature or culture of a language other than English and COLT 495, Senior Honors Thesis.

The director of the Senior Honors Thesis must be a member of the Comparative Literature faculty. The second reader may be any regular USC faculty. To qualify for the award of Honors, the director and second reader must both approve the thesis.

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