



Memorandum

To: Edison State College Curriculum Committee

From: Dr. Edith Pendleton, Dean, Learning Resources and Undergraduate Research

Date: 10 February 2010

Subject: **Course Requirements for the Honors Scholar Program**

The Honors Scholar Program Advisory Committee has recommended, and both Dr. Robert Beeson and Dr. Steve Atkins concur, that it is in the best interest of the Honors Scholar Program and its students to return to the Program's original requirement that students complete 12 credit hours of Honors coursework, including the thesis presentation, in order to graduate from the Program.

In recent years the requirement was elevated to 18. Since then, the program has lost more than 70% of its enrollment. The requirement is unreasonable, as students are unable to find an adequate number of choices from among the few Honors courses offered by the College.