

Gatton Scholars Pathway Programs

STUDENT GUIDEBOOK

Program Overview

The Honors College and Gatton College's Scholars Programs have a formal partnership that:

- Streamlines the application process, recruitment initiatives and curricular interests for students
- Fulfills their Honors Requirements in a convenient and seamless way
- Educates our students about progressive and innovative business models on local and global scales
- Allows a student to pursue any of the five majors within the College of Business, with a focus on sustainability and community improvement
- Develops leadership and professional skills through scholastic vigor and community engagement

Program Benefits

Pathway Scholars enjoy an array of benefits:

Priority registration

Personalized advising

Smaller cohort classes with some of the best professors and students on campus

Enhanced professionalism, networking and leadership opportunities outside of the classroom

Preparation for a competitive edge in the job market

Academic Curriculum

The cohort curricula are designed to enrich your business major by increasing your leadership skills and entrepreneurship potential. Please make sure you plan your schedules accordingly and note that the pathway cohort classes are required.

Global Scholars Program Requirements:

<http://gatton.uky.edu/sites/default/files/urc/GSP%20Advising%20Document.pdf>

Global Scholars spend at least one semester studying abroad via a UK-approved EA program.

Social Entrepreneurship Program Requirements:

<http://gatton.uky.edu/sites/default/files/urc/Social%20Enterprise%20Curriculum.pdf>

Academic Expectations

Pathway Scholars are required to have a **3.4 UK cumulative grade point average** (GPA). Students who earn less than a 3.4 will automatically be placed on probation. If a student maintains less than a 3.4 for two consecutive semesters, he or she will be dismissed from the program. All standards of the University of Kentucky, such as academic honesty and integrity, must also be upheld. Should a student fail to meet any of these standards, this may warrant immediate expulsion from the program.

Co-Curricular Requirements

Community Service:

Leadership involves active citizenship and community engagement. Thus, to foster your leadership development, Pathway Scholars are required to engage in meaningful community service.

Students must complete a minimum of 10 hours of community service each semester.

You will be provided with a variety of opportunities during the academic year to complete your service requirements, but it is ultimately your responsibility to fulfill this obligation. You will also be required to maintain accurate records of your service activities and complete paperwork as instructed. **Examples of approved activities include the following:** attending college recruiting functions, service opportunities through BBNvolved, volunteering at local non-profits, on-campus charitable events.

Professional Development:

Pathway Scholars are required to attend **at least FOUR professional development events** per semester. Options will be provided for students to choose from over the course of the academic year.

Additional Events:

Pathway Scholars may be required to attend additional events throughout the academic year such as professional conferences, career fairs, academic lectures, and program meetings. If the event is deemed mandatory, notice will be given as far in advance as possible.

Professional Dress & Behavior:

You should exhibit professional behavior within the College and beyond by working to meet your obligations and program expectations in all situations, including participation in other campus organizations, class, internships, education abroad programs, and community service projects. As members of the program, you will experience unique networking opportunities that other students may not have until they are juniors or seniors. It is important to represent yourself well in these types of situations. When required to wear business casual or business professional attire, **here is a guide:**



Faculty Advisory Board

The Faculty Advisory Board consists of four to six faculty members who meet periodically throughout the year to provide support to the Pathway Director and address issues that may arise or to review proposed changes to the Pathway Programs. The Faculty Advisory Board has the ability to determine official Pathway policy in conjunction with the Honors College. The Pathway Director and the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Affairs are ex-officio voting members.

We hope this guidebook offers you a concise overview of the Pathway Programs, their benefits and resources, as well as their policies and expectations. As members of the Pathway community, it is your responsibility to be aware of the contents of this guidebook. The guidebook information is not intended to be all-inclusive and does not constitute a contract. Gatton College reserves the right at any time to add to, modify, or revoke any of the regulations and policies contained in this guidebook without notice.

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