

PLNU Honors Program

Learning Outcome:

GELO3: Students will demonstrate an understanding of Christian Scripture, Tradition, and Ethics, including engagement in acts of devotion and works of mercy.

Outcome Measure:

HON350

Humanities Honors Portfolio and Integrative Essay

Portfolio: Select 7-12 written assignments in Humanities Honors Courses that represent your best work and provide the basis for your integrative essay.

Integrative Essay: Write a 5-7 page essay that integrates various strands of insight into your personal, spiritual, and intellectual growth.

Criteria for Success:

70% of students completing the Humanities Honors Program will reach Level 3 or higher as directed in the Duke University Religion Index (DUREL).

Longitudinal Data:

	Number of Students	% Scoring 3 and Above	Criteria Met?
Spring 2025	16	97	Yes
Spring 2024	20	95	Yes
Spring 2023	4	90	Yes
Spring 2022	16	95	Yes
Spring 2021	22	80	Yes

Conclusions Drawn from Data:

It appears that the Program has met the criteria for success.

Changes to Be Made Based on Data:

None at this time.

Rubric Used

The instrument used was the DUREL Religiosity Survey.

(Q1) How often do you attend church or other religious meetings? (ORA—organizational religious activity)

1 – more than once a week; 2 – once a week; 3 – a few times a month; 4 – a few times a year; 5 – once a year or less; 6 – never

MORE THAN 60% of respondents will answer with a 1 or 2.

(Q2) How often do you spend time in private religious activities, such as prayer, meditation or Bible study? (NORA—non-organizational religious activity)

1 – daily; 2 – two or more times per week; 3 – a few times a month; 4 – a few times a year; 5 – once a year or less; 6 – never

MORE THAN 60% of respondents will answer with a 1 or 2.

(Q3) The following section contains 3 statements about religious belief or experience. Please mark the extent to which each statement is true or not true for you. In my life, I experience the presence of the Divine (i.e., God) - (IR—Intrinsic religiosity)

1 - Definitely true; 2 - Tends to be true; 3 - Unsure; 4 - Tends not to be true; 5 - Definitely not true of me

MORE THAN 60% of respondents will answer with a 1 or 2.

(Q4) My religious beliefs are what really lie behind my whole approach to life – IR- (Intrinsic Religiosity) 1 - Definitely true; 2 - Tends to be true; 3 - Unsure; 4 - Tends not to be true; 5 - Definitely not true of me

MORE THAN 60% of respondents will answer with a 1 or 2.

(Q5) I try hard to carry my religion over into all other dealings in life - (IR—Intrinsic Religiosity)

1 - Definitely true; 2 - Tends to be true; 3 - Unsure; 4 - Tends not to be true; 5 - Definitely not true of me

MORE THAN 60% of respondents will answer with a 1 or 2