

**Committee on Honors and Interdisciplinary Studies  
2006-07 Report to the Faculty**

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The Committee met three times in the fall term and once so far this term. Primary items of business have included:

(1) Monroe Scholars

- ! 106 Monroe Scholars have been approved to do their upper-division projects (\$3,000) in summer, 2007.
- ! In addition, 41 freshman Monroes have been provided with funding to do freshman projects (\$1,000) in summer 2007. Unlike the upper-division grants, freshman grants are not guaranteed.
- ! We now have a total of about 135 Monroe Scholars in each class. To arrive at this number, we admit about 85 as entering freshmen and about 50 more as rising sophomores. We matriculated 84 freshmen Monroes in fall, 2006, and faculty members of CHIS selected 49 rising sophomores in fall, 2006.

(2) May Seminars

The deadline for this competition was Monday, April 2, and we received 12 applications. Faculty members of CHIS will begin referring these proposals right away.

(3) Concentration Honors

149 students are currently preparing to defend their senior honors theses. Department numbers:

American Studies (2)	Kinesiology (3)
Anthropology (1)	Linguistics (3)
Applied Science (0)	Global Studies Studies (4)
Art and Art History (3)	Mathematics (4)
Biology (11)	Modern Languages (2)
Chemistry (7)	Music (2)
Classics (1)	Philosophy (2)
Computer Science (1)	Physics (10)
Economics (3)	Psychology (9)
English (12)	Public Policy (2)
Env. Sci. And Pol (1)	Religious Studies (5)
Interdisciplinary Studies (general) (4)	Sociology (6)

Geology (5)	Theatre, Speech, Dance (5)
Government (13)	Women's Studies (0)
History (20)	
Interdis: Chinese Lang. And Lit. (1)	
Interdis. LCST (2)	
Neuroscience (2)	
International Relations (3)	