

ACT-In Disciplinary Scholarship  
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*William Jewell College*

**ACT-IN MAJOR  
DISCIPLINARY SCHOLARSHIP – APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL**

Department/Major \_\_\_\_\_ Department Chair \_\_\_\_\_

**ACT-In objectives:**

*Disciplinary Scholarship* – The student fulfilling this requirement will

- Give evidence of advanced critical thinking and synthesis in a discipline through written or oral presentation or through a means appropriate for the discipline
- Show evidence of sophisticated writing and research skills in a discipline, guided by faculty mentors
- Present his/her work in a public forum, receiving written critique and then graded accordingly

**Experience and criteria:**

Evidenced by completion of an upper level seminar or research course in the student's major (other than ACT-In) that offers the opportunity for inquiry through discovery, integration, or application using the appropriate intellectual tools for the discipline or completion of a college Honors Project.

*Criteria:*

Course

1. 300 or 400 level disciplinary course of at least 1 credit hour
2. Course places emphasis on use of inquiry modes (e.g., discovery, integration, or application) appropriate for the discipline where students engage directly in practicing the work of the discipline (not just passively acquiring knowledge that the discipline has produced).
3. Experience contributes to a student's ability to demonstrate the following college learning outcomes: Intellectual Skill (WJC graduates think critically, independently, and creatively) and Effective Communication (WJC graduates communicate thoughtfully and effectively).
4. Student presents the results of his/her work in written or oral form.

Honors Project

1. Successful completion of a college Honors Project according to the guidelines established by the College.

Departmental materials submitted

Date approved \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Associate Dean of Core Curriculum \_\_\_\_\_