

Honors College 1969-2019

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BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

1969

The Freshman Honors Program
at
Boise State College
1969-70

PLEASE POST

Top freshmen scholars admitted to the Honors Program can:

1. Enroll in courses for Independent Study to pursue in depth their areas of concern.
2. Waive certain lower division courses and proceed to more advanced study.
3. Take proficiency exams in certain basic courses and receive college credit without enrolling in the course.
4. Participate in the Freshman Honors Seminars.
5. Serve as assistants to major professors.
6. Conduct personal research and experimentation under the direction of major professors.

How to participate:

1. Be admitted to Boise State.
2. Apply for honors status.
3. Apply for scholarships and other aid.

Write for further information to:

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Boise State College
Boise, Idaho 83707



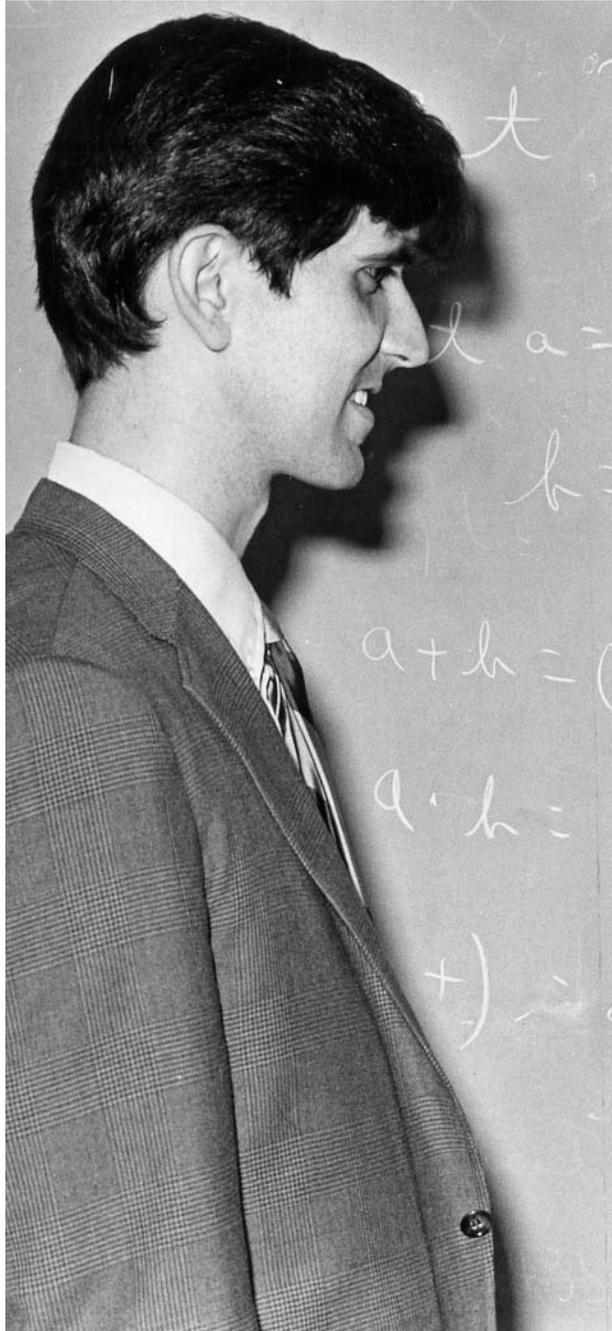
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Honors Program Began

- 27 students
- Courses offered were:
 - Honors Seminar
 - Honors Calculus
 - Independent Study
 - Advanced Placement



1969



First Director

Lloyd D. Tucker, Associate Professor of Mathematics, appointed Director.

1969

First Associate Director

William P. Mech, Assistant
Professor of Mathematics
becomes Associate
Director.

WILLIAM P. MECH, *Assistant Professor of Mathematics,
Associate Director of Honors Program.....(1970)*
B.A., Washington State University; M.S., Ph.D., Uni-
versity of Illinois.



1970

HONORS SEMINAR

HP 195 Honors Seminar—1 credit Each semester

A seminar involving inter-disciplinary lectures and discussion for Honors Students. Topics are selected by the students.

First Classes

HP 195 Honors Seminar
and 188 Honors
Independent Study listed in
the course catalog.



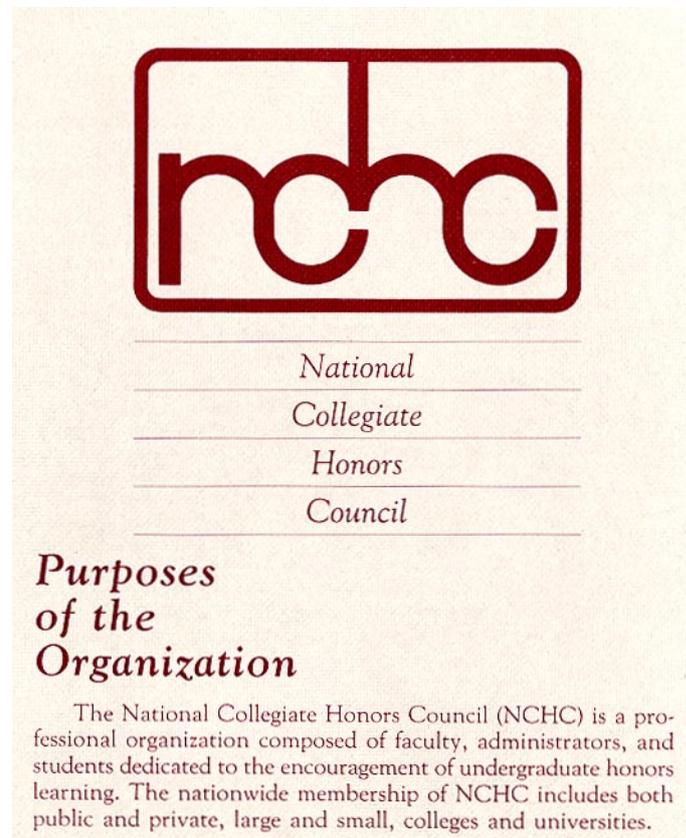
1970

1970-71	64 students	
By class:	28 freshmen	
	35 sophmores	
	1 junior	
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	64 students	
By G.P.A.:	3.5 - 4.0	44 students
	3.0 - 3.5	17 students
	2.5 - 3.0	13 students
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	64 students	

Second Year

Second year had 64 students and offered seminars in Family Revolution, Psychology, Religions, and Population, Resources, and Environment.

1971



NCHC

BSC became a member of the National Collegiate Honors Council. Dr. Mech and students attended conferences in OR and MI.

1971

Topic: Education
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Clyde Martin
Number of Credit: Three (3)

Book List:

Barzun, Jacques. Teacher in America.
Bettelheim, Bruno. Love Is Not Enough.
Bruner, Jerome S. Process of Education.
Towards a Theory of Instruction.
Coles, Robert. Children of Crisis.
Conant, James. The American High School Today.
Dewey, John. Child/School.
Erikson, Erik H. Childhood and Society.
Friedenberg, Edgar Z. The Vanishing Adolescent.
Fuller, R. Buckminster. Education Automation.
Holt, John. How Children Fail.
Glasser. Reality Therapy.
Schools Without Failure.
Goodman, Paul. Compulsory Mis-Education and the
Community of Scholars.
Hentoff, Nat. Our Children Are Dying.
Hook, Sidney. Academic Freedom and Academic Anarchy.
Jencks, Christopher and David Riesman. The Academic
Revolution.
Oettinger, Anthony. Run, Computer, Run.
Silberman. Crisis in Education.

Summer Reading Program

The Program offered 1-3 credits to read in a specific subject area, a faculty supervisor, and an assessment.



1972

Honors Center

IX. HONORS CENTER, LIBRARY, AND OFFICE

The Honors Center is located in the new Library Learning Center in the northeast corner of the fourth floor. This serves as a place for honors students to hold seminars, study, discuss, and browse through the Honors Library.

The Honors Library consists predominately of paperbacks which are of immediate interest to the students in conjunction with honors courses or by way of general reading. This collection numbers nearly a thousand volumes. Additionally, the college library has been most cooperative in honoring our purchase requests which add to their own holdings.

Honors Center created in the northeast corner of the Library's fourth floor.

1972

Director Change



William Mech appointed
Director.

1973

American Indian Institute

I. THE GENERAL PROGRAM, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. EACH DAY

The University presents this institute in order to inform faculty and staff members in every department concerning the current life conditions facing our American Indian citizens. Interested members of the Bozeman community also are invited to attend any or all institute activities. In essence, the University and the larger community of Bozeman and Montana are intimately affected by, and in turn influence our Indian citizens.

In response to the impelling need for all citizens, whether of a minority culture or majority culture, to meet one another on some common grounds of understanding, tolerance, and daily interaction, the institute program offers a three-dimensional schedule of activities. A considerable part of the first three days is devoted to a summary and evaluation of life on the seven Montana Reservations: the Blackfeet, Flathead, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck, Rocky Boys, Northern Cheyenne, and Crow. Tribal leaders and other representatives from each Reservation will present numerous materials from their own personal experiences, and will be involved in several small group perception-discussion sessions designed to clarify the meaning of their lives.

Interwoven as a second dimension are periodic reports from those MSU programs most directly involved with Indian people on the reservation as well as on the campus. Several hours of time during the second half of the institute will be devoted to small group discussions in which Tribal leaders and MSU Indian students will talk about specific educational needs.

BSC and the Honors Program
co-sponsored an American
Indian Institute.



1973

Honors Conference

to be held at BSC

The dates April 27-29, 1972, have been set for the Northwest Regional Honors Council Conference to be hosted by Boise State College. Students and faculty-administrators from Utah, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming have been invited. The main purpose of the conference is to provide a forum for students and faculty to discuss and exchange ideas and information. The general format used at the national meeting in San Francisco, i.e. varied workshops, will be employed with both students and faculty moderating the workshops. Any student interested in helping with the conference is encouraged to contact the Honors Office.

NRHC Conference

With student participation, BSC hosted the Northwest Regional Honors Council Conference.

1973

Phi Kappa Phi



Phi Kappa Phi established a chapter, with the official installation in May 1974.

1976

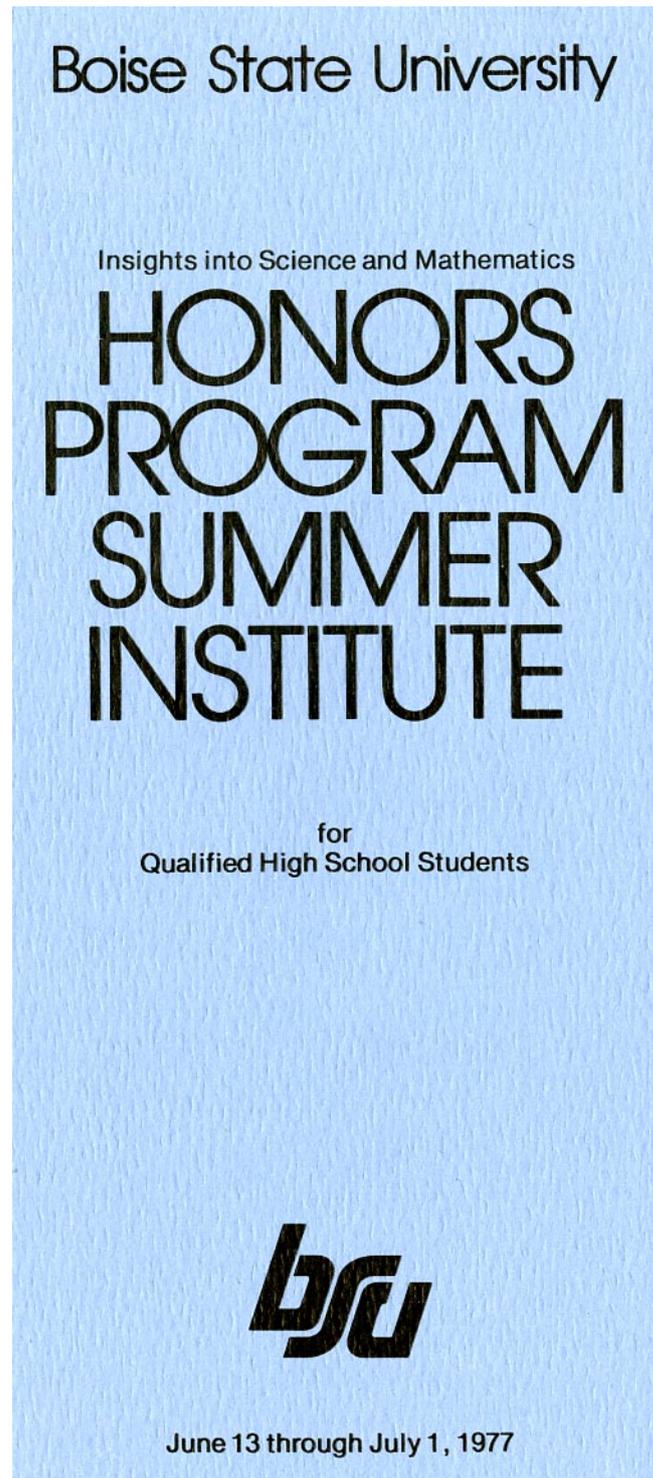
Graduation Criteria

1. All Honors students will take two courses in the English Composition plus 18 hours of joint listed departmental honors courses with at least one honors course from each area, i.e., Area I, Area II, Area III, but not counting student directed honors seminars from these areas.
2. To meet the English Composition requirements, the honors students will take two courses from the following: E-111, E-112, E-102, E-201, or any other writing courses with permission of the Honors Director.
3. Each honors student will be required to take a three hour upper division interdisciplinary colloquium which will carry the HP prefix.
4. Each honors student will complete a minimum of 30 semester hours of honors credit.
5. The above requirements shall take effect the Fall Semester, 1977.

Faculty Honors Committee
establishes guidelines for
graduation.



1976



Summer Institute

3-week summer institute offered to talented high school juniors offered courses in Fresh-Water Biology and Modern Mathematics.



1977

Honors Council

Formerly the Student Honors Committee, the BSU Honors Council becomes an official student organization.



1979

First Rhodes Scholar



MIKE HOFFMAN, theatre arts major, student leader, Rhodes scholar

Mike Wins; BSU Has a Rhodes!

Boise State University senior Mike Hoffman, Payette, received a rare honor last week that is usually reserved for students from the Ivy league schools when he won the prestigious Rhodes scholarship to study in Oxford, England for the next two years.

Hoffman is the first Rhodes scholar ever from Boise State, and one of the few to be chosen from an Idaho university.

Only 32 students nationally are picked for the honor, including four from the Northwest region of seven states. Other winners attend school at Harvard, Yale

and Cornell.

While at Oxford, one of the oldest and best, universities in the world, Hoffman will study English language and literature under the school's tutorial system.

For Hoffman, the scholarship is the fulfillment of a dream he's had since the eighth grade when he read Bill Bradley's autobiography. Bradley, a basketball player for the New York Knicks at the time, was a Princeton graduate and Rhodes scholar.

In two recent trips to England, Hoffman visited the famous university "to pay homage," he says.

In his student days at Boise State, Hoffman participated in a wide variety of extracurricular activities, and maintained a perfect grade point average.

He has played the lead role in several BSU theatre arts productions ever since he came here in 1974, including the just concluded "A Streetcar Named Desire."

Hoffman was elected student body president in 1977, and was one of the leaders who helped get the pavilion project started.

He will leave for England in October, sailing together with the other Rhodes scholars.

Michael Hoffman was the first Boise State and Honors student to receive the Rhodes Scholarship.



1980



Ivory Tower

Students started "The Ivory Tower," a literary publication.

1981



Second Rhodes Scholar

Karl Knapp became Boise State's second Rhodes Scholar.

1982



Youngest graduate in the US

The youngest graduate (at the time) in the U.S., Jay Luo received a B.S. in Mathematics at the age of 12 years 1 month.

1983

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1983

VISITING ARTIST LECTURE

7:00 P.M. IN THE BSU LIBRARY 310

The Honors Program invites all students, faculty and friends to attend either activity. Ms. Lightfeather, a Pima Indian, is about the only living member of her tribe who still does some traditional art forms -- weavings, water color, scrimshaw, which depict culturally significant artifacts, symbols and ceremonies.

For more information, contact the Honors Program at 385-1122 or come to our office in the Library 408G.



Ms. Lightfeather

The last living and practicing Pima Indian gave a lecture and demonstration about traditional art forms such as weavings, water colors, and scrimshaw.

1988

Senior Project

SENIOR HONORS PROJECT: status report

The Honors Program Committee of the Faculty Senate recently approved a proposal to establish a Senior Honors Project, to be required for graduating with honors or with distinguished honors, beginning with the 1987 freshman class (it will be an option for students beginning with juniors of 1986-87). Bill and Wally have been talking with deans and department heads, seeking reactions and suggestions to the proposal. When these conversations are completed, a new draft of the proposal, incorporating some changes suggested by these conversations, will be presented to the faculty committee for approval. When that approval happens, then the proposal will be forwarded to the appropriate deliberative bodies for consideration. We hope the process will be completed fairly early in the spring semester. Anyone who would like to see a copy of the proposal as it now stands, contact Wally.

Proposed in 1987, a senior honors project or thesis became required in Fall 1988.



1988

BILL ELECTED; NCHC MOVES TO BSU

When all the ballots were counted, Bill was elected Executive Secretary/Treasurer of the National Collegiate Honors Council (NCHC) for a three-year term beginning this month. Congratulations, Bill! The headquarters of NCHC is now at Boise State University. Our office will now be in frequent communications with many honors programs around the country, so we should be even more privy to good ideas for our program.

NCHC Headquarters

William Mech elected
Executive Secretary/
Treasurer of the National
Collegiate Honors Council,
making Boise State the
headquarters.



1989

MAJORS: At least 53 different majors are represented among the 482 currently active students, of which 39 Students are undecided.

Leading Majors (ten or more students):

English	54
General Business	35
Psychology	31
Accounting	29
Communications	27
History	20
Elementary Education	18
Nursing	15
Political Science	15
Pre-Engineering	13
Pre-Med	12
Biology	12
Art	10

Enrollment

There were 482 honors students representing 53 majors.

1992

HONORS STUDENT ASSOCIATION

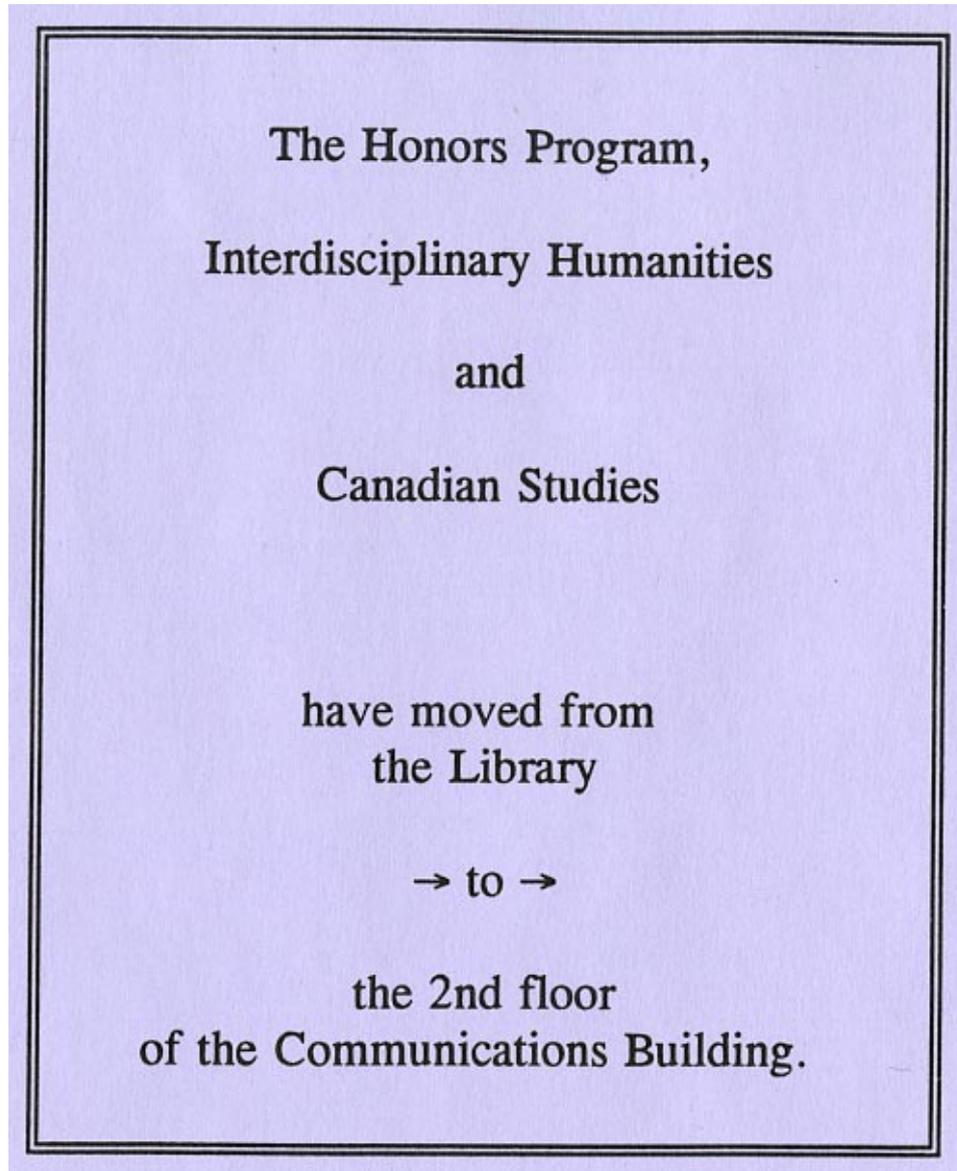
The objective of the Honors Student Association shall be the promotion and advancement of honors and similar programs at BSU without regard to race, color, religion, creed, national origin, sex, physical handicap, or age.

HSA

Honors Council changed its name to Honors Student Association.



1993



Open House

Honors Program moves to
the Communications
Building.

1993

**FIRST ANNUAL
HONORS FACULTY
SYMPOSIUM**

*wherein you will receive recognition for
your work with Honors during 1993,
hear a panel of your peers discuss Honors,
and meet selected Honors Students
with reception following.*



Tuesday, October 19, 1993

Symposium Hosted

First Honors Faculty
Symposium, recognizing the
hard work of students and
faculty.

1994

25th Anniversary

There were 715 students, two Rhodes Scholars, one Truman Scholar, four Rotary International Scholars, four Phi Kappa Phi Fellows, and three Peace Corps volunteers.

1996

Kay Retirement

Wallace Kay retired as
Associate Director.



1996

Another Move

Honors Program relocated to Driscoll Hall.



1997

Mech Retirement



After 25 years as Director,
William Mech retired.

1997



New Director

Gregory Raymond
appointed Director.

1998

Honors College

Driscoll Hall
<http://www.boisestate.edu/honors>
e-mail: graymon@boisestate.edu

Telephone 208 426-1122
Fax 208 426-1247

Director and Professor: Dr. Gregory A. Raymond.

Statement of Purpose

The Honors College at Boise State University provides exceptional undergraduate students with a challenging interdisciplinary curriculum and a variety of co-curricular activities focusing on the environment. Open to all majors from all academic fields, the goal of the college is to enrich their educational experience by creating a community of scholars in the midst of a large metropolitan university. By nourishing a close working relationship between honors students and some of Boise State's most acclaimed faculty members, the college encourages the spirited exchange of ideas among people who share a commitment to excellence.

Honors College

After years of planning,
Honors changed from a
Program to a College.



2000-2005

HSA Activities

HSA received three outstanding service awards for their volunteerism with the Boise Rescue Mission, Community House, City Light Shelter, Ronald McDonald House, and Garden City Soup Kitchen. Members also spearheaded the campus recycling program, Locks of Love, an participated in Victims Rights Week and the Adopt-A-Family program.



2001

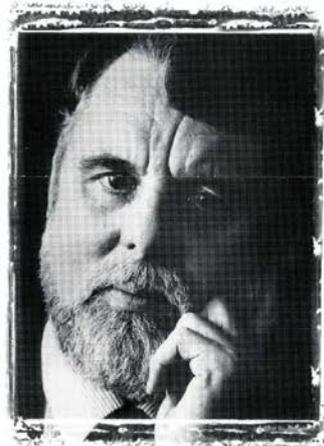


Mexico Trip

Spring Break trip to Bahia de Los Angeles in Mexico.

2001

BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY
DISTINGUISHED
LECTURE SERIES



TERRY WAITE
RESOLVING CONFLICT: THE TEST OF HUMANITY

APRIL 10, 8PM
BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT UNION BUILDING
JORDAN BALLROOM
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FREE OF CHARGE
(DOORS WILL OPEN AT 7:15PM*)

Terry Waite is known for his role in successfully negotiating the release of several hostages from Iran in the early 1980's. In January 1987 while negotiating for the release of Western hostages in Lebanon, he himself was taken captive and remained in captivity for 1,760 days, the first four years of which were spent in total solitary confinement.

The Boise State University Distinguished Lecture Series is supported primarily from student fees. Additional support is made available from the Boise State University Foundation and local corporate sponsors.



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* If you have access needs that may require accommodations, please call 426-4636 (voice) or 426-1024 (TTY). Please call at least one week in advance of the event to ensure your needs can be met. This presentation will be American Sign Language Interpreted.

New Lecture Series

Distinguished Lecture Series began, with Terry Waite, a humanitarian and hostage negotiator, as the first speaker.



2002



Utah Trip

Spring Break trip to Utah, which included rafting the Colorado River and exploring Arches National Park.

2007

Honors College Reforms

The first 10 years as College included creation of Honors 298 for officers to learn about leadership, organizing of a freshman orientation program, and arrangement of educational spring break and fall weekend trips.



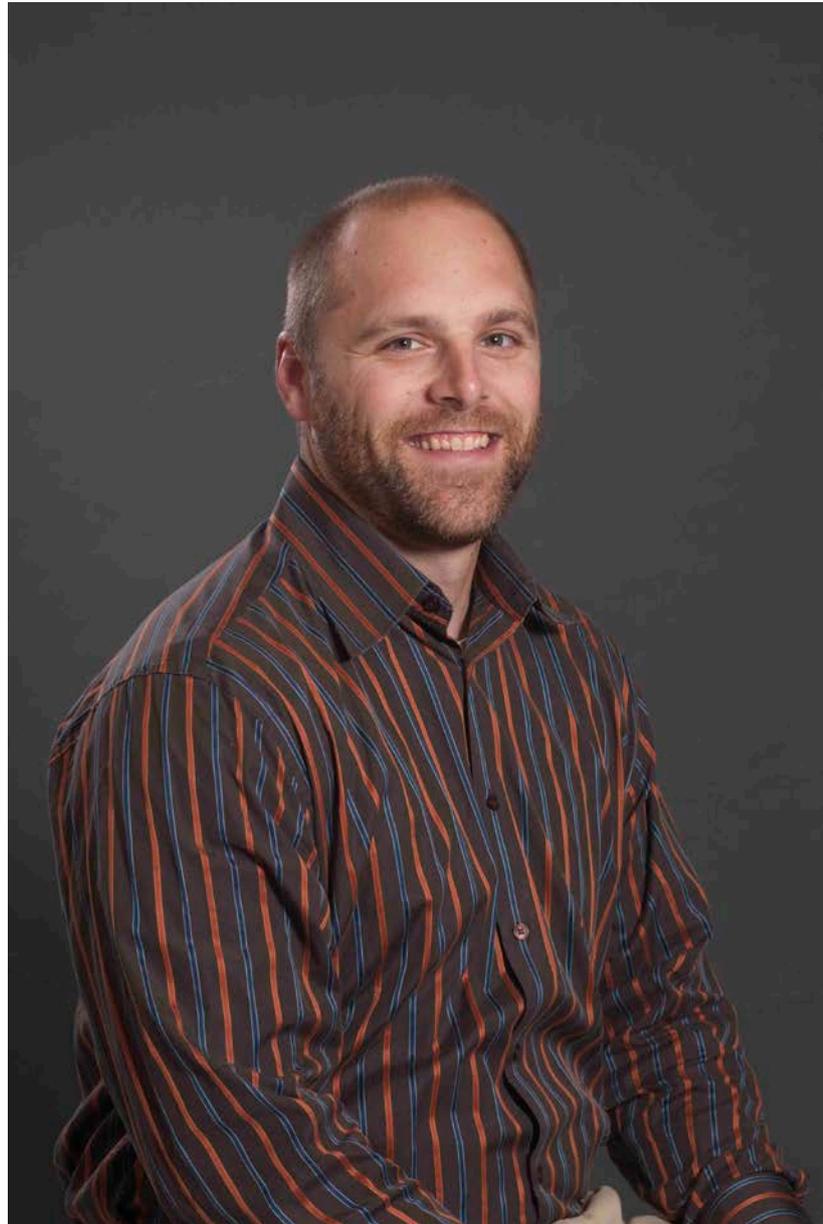
2007



New Director

Craig Hemmens appointed
Director.

2010



New Director

Andrew Finstuen
appointed Director.

2016

Orientation

Summer Orientation Trip to McCall discontinued and replaced with an on-campus two-day orientation.



2017

New Space



Honors College and Sawtooth Hall opens, housing 656 students, offices, classrooms, and cafeteria.



2018

Third Rhodes Scholar



Elena Gallina became
Boise State's third Rhodes
Scholar.



2019

**Happy
Anniversary!**

Honors celebrates 50
years at Boise State.

