

## Timeline: Lewis Honors College

1. Impetus for Change (2015)
  - a. August 2015: \$22.5 million gift offered to University; University support \$15M + Lewis Hall (classrooms, offices, dorms); 2,000 - 2,400 students anticipated
  - b. September 2015: President Eli Capilouto, Provost Tim Tracy, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education Ben Withers, and Interim Honors Program Director Diane Snow discuss the general possibility of an honors college with Senate Council (SC)
  - c. September 2015: Associate Provost Withers continues discussion about an honors college with SC
  - d. October 2015: Associate Provost Withers discusses composition of Honors Program faculty of record with SC; SC approves the addition of one new member
  - e. December 2015: Board of Trustees accepts Lewis' gift
  
2. Senate Oversight (2016)
  - a) Proposal development assigned to Associate Provost Withers, Interim Director Snow and Honors Faculty of Record
  - b) Associate Provost Withers and Interim Director Snow meet (February/March) with representatives of all colleges (including Graduate School and Libraries) to discuss proposal for Lewis Honors College
  - c) Open meeting(s) with faculty facilitated by Associate Provost Withers and Interim Director Snow
  - d) February: 2016: Honors College ad hoc Review committee (Provost's committee) responds to proposal
  - e) February 2016: Associate Provost Withers and Interim Director Snow submit report/proposal to Senate's Academic Organization and Structure Committee (SAOSC)
  - f) March 2016: SC hosts open forum for all faculty to offer input into the proposed new Lewis Honors College
  - g) March 2016: Associate Provost Withers and Interim Director Snow meet with SAOSC
  - h) April 2016: Report by SAOSC submitted to SC for approval; SC approves
  - i) April 2016: Senate recommends/approves Honors College creation with modification of *Governing Regulations VII* ("University Organization") and asks transition committee be formed by Provost to address 10 aspects of the college structure
  - j) May 2016: SC solicits nominations and recommends composition of [Transition Committee](#)
  
3. Transition Committee Action and Proposal (2016-17)
  - a) June 17, 2016: Provost Tim Tracy updates SC on Honors College and on Transition Committee
  - b) July 2016: Phil Harling appointed interim Dean of Lewis Honors College and chair of Transition Committee
  - c) July 2016: Transition Committee begins meeting; continues meeting weekly through end of fall 2016 semester
  - d) October 24, 2016: Interim Dean Harling updates SC
  - e) December 12, 2016: Interim Dean Harling presents to Senate
  - f) January 30, 2017: Interim Dean Harling provides Transition Committee report to SAOSC (dated December 9)
  - g) March 6, 2017: SAOSC meets with Interim Dean Harling and two of SC's appointees to Transition Committee (Webb and Sachs)
  - h) March 8, 2017: SAOSC report sent to SC
  - i) April 3 & 10, 2017: Interim Dean Harling meets with SC; SC recommends approval of proposal (and change to *GR VII*)

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- j) April 17, 2017: Senate meeting to consider Transition Committee report and change to *GR VII*.