Vision Honours Student Council 2020-2021
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This document contains the council’s top priorities and goals for the upcoming year.

1. Increasing the visibility of the HSC
   This year the council will be continuing its pursuit in increasing the visibility of the HSC in order to become more effective and approachable.
   ○ We will try to increase our social media presence with Instagram, Facebook and LinkedIn. Furthermore, we will have Honours Programme Faculty Representatives become active on their faculty social media accounts and also on Canvas.
     ■ Instagram takeovers with Honours students.
     ■ Introduce the Honours courses by their respective professors.
     ■ Arrange social media shoutouts to promote our accounts.
   ○ Possibly develop the monthly newsletter (or on Instagram), with “Humans of New York” format interviews (previous HSC members, interview students, alumni, professors…).
   ○ Honours Programme specific events (like masterclasses, small-scale meetups) that do not overlap with Extensus events.

2. Increasing accessibility of the HSC and Faculty Representatives
   In line with increasing visibility, we hope to also make the HSC and the Faculty Representatives more accessible to current Honours students and those that are interested in joining the Honours Programme. By increasing accessibility, we hope to receive constant feedback throughout the year regarding the Honours Programme so that we can actively make relevant changes that benefit current students.
   ○ The HSC and Honours Faculty Representatives will be present at all Honours Programme related events.
   ○ Publicly introduce the role of the HSC and encourage Honours students to communicate with us about issues and questions regarding the Honours Programme.
     ■ Ask responsible individuals at the UvA and the VU to send out emails to all Honours students introducing the HSC and Honours Faculty Representatives.
     ■ Introduce the HSC and Honours Faculty Representatives at the beginning of Honours courses lectures so that students.

3. Increase accessibility of Honours Programme information to aid students.
○ Develop a web page with useful information on the HP (or support the creation of the
honours-website that is already being worked on by the VU honours committee).
○ Spread the information on social media accounts of the HP, possibly a “FAQ” format
(focussing especially on prospective and new Honours students) + a web forum for
Honours students to ask each other questions about the HP guidelines/ courses. Develop a
platform in which students can show their academic achievements online, and try to
network.
○ Push for the publication of HP course ratings, so that students can evaluate their choice of
course with those ratings.

4. Pursuing a better co-operation of the HSC with the UvA and VU.
○ Reach out to all coordinators at the UvA and ask for their cooperation, establish ongoing
communication between the HSC and the coordinators.
○ Establish a centralized UvA contact person to create an easier link between HSC and
Honours Programme students at the UvA.
○ Have the HSC play a more active decision making role at the UvA.