



Newsletter 25 – November 2019

The European Honors Council (EHC) invites you to send in for the 2020 honors conference (with discount for EHC members) and is happy to present three new articles in its Journal.

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- Four new articles published in JEHC
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Join a World of Talent – send in and register (discount for EHC members!)

The [Call for Proposals](#) and [registration](#) for the International Conference on Talent Development and Honours Education 2020 Featuring CoTalent are now open! Join a World of Talent from 10-12 June 2020. The conference is held at Hanze University of Applied Sciences in Groningen (the Netherlands). Proposals for contributions on research and practice in honors education and talent development can be sent in now. A special discount on the conference fee of 30 euros (10 euros for students) is available for EHC members. Confirmed keynote speakers are professors [Scott Kaufman](#), [Leo Lambert](#) and [Arien Wals](#). The Conference also features the presentation of the final results of the [CoTalent](#) project, which provides teachers with tools to stimulate their talented students. As post-conference-program, the 5th [Honors International Faculty Institute](#) (HIFI) is offered as an intensive professional development workshop centered on honors education.

All details can be found on the conference website:

<https://www.honorsconference2020.org/>

Four new articles published in JEHC

Do you want to know more about the set-up of a new honors program in Austria; autonomy and control in a talent development program for teacher students in Germany; excellence in arts education in the USA and the Netherlands; or the role of teaching assistants in honors education? The Journal of the European Honors Council (JEHC) has published four brand new articles on these issues.

- In the paper [Education for the Gifted and Talented: Student teachers reflecting about autonomy, control, and pedagogical diagnostics in a self-designed workshop program for gifted schoolchildren](#), David Rott (University of Munster, Germany) discusses a project in which talented student teachers designed three workshops for gifted school children.
- Mariska Versantvoort explores the question how honors programs in arts education distinguish themselves from the regular curriculum, in a benchmark research comparing institutions in the Netherlands and the USA: [Excellence in Arts Education: A Benchmark Research](#).

- A practical view on [the Design and Implementation of the Bachelor with Honors Program at TU Wien](#) (Austria) is taken by Ulrich Schmid, including lessons learned along the way.
- Finally, Meghan Grassel and colleagues at South Dakota State University (USA) reflect on [The Role of Honors Teaching Assistants as Community Builders](#).

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New NCHC monograph: The Demonstrable Value of Honors Education

The American honors organization NCHC has published a new (open access) monograph titled [The Demonstrable Value of Honors Education: New Research Evidence](#). Edited by Andrew Cognard-Black, Jerry Herron & Patricia J. Smith, the book features new evidence of American research on the outcomes and 'added value' of honors education. The editors 'believe that together the contributions in this collection provide important answers and compelling evidence that honors programming does contribute something above and beyond what honors students themselves bring to the educational experience'.

EHC website questionnaire

A big thank you to all of you who filled in the short questionnaire about the EHC website. We are planning a major update of our current website and asked your opinion on the priorities and ideas for the new website. The Board of the EHC will discuss the results next week and will report on next steps in one of the coming newsletters. If you would like to be involved in the website redesign, please let us know.

More info?

Please feel free to send this newsletter around to colleagues and friends, and invite them to also [join](#) the EHC. See www.honorscouncil.eu

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The next issue of this newsletter is scheduled for mid-December, 2019. If you have input for the next newsletter, please [send](#) it in by December 10.

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