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CALL FOR PAPERS

The next issue of *JNCHC* (deadline: **March 1, 2012**) invites research essays on any topic of interest to the honors community.

The issue will also include a Forum focused on the theme “The Economy of Honors.” We invite essays of roughly a thousand words that consider this theme in the context of your campus and/or a national/international context.

The lead essay for the Forum (available on the NCHC website) is by Richard Badenhausen, Director of the Honors Program at Westminster College in Utah. His essay—titled “Costs and Benefits in the Economy of Honors”—considers numerous perspectives on the topic ranging from the impacts on honors of a faltering national economy to the discomfort some honors directors feel in their roles as money managers, concluding with a call to action to preserve and advance honors in a time of financial peril. Contributions to the Forum may—but need not—respond to his essay or the issues he addresses.

Other questions to consider might include: Under what circumstances should honors administrators accept, protest, or defy budget cuts? What are the best strategies for adapting to funding cutbacks? Are cutbacks always bad for the program, and are funding increases always good?—what might be some counterintuitive consequences to budgets changes? What are the impacts of large (or small) endowments and scholarship funds on the quality of honors education? How have honors programs and colleges fared over the past decade or more in comparison to the institutions in which they are housed?—has the comparison been favorable or unfavorable to the status and success of honors? How has the expanding role of fundraising and money managing affected individual honors directors and deans?—how has it affected the NCHC? What is the best economic model for an honors program: a market, barter, or gift economy, or some other model? What are the implications for honors and for the NCHC of the wide range of compensation for honors administrators, with salaries averaging \$123,198 for honors deans (2011–12 Almanac Issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*) while some directors receive no special remuneration for their honors duties?

Forum essays should focus on ideas, concepts, and/or opinions related to “The Economy of Honors.” Examples from one’s own campus can be and usually are relevant, but essays should not simply be descriptions of “what we do at our institution.”

Please send all submissions to Ada Long at adalong@uab.edu.

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