A. **Course Description:** Scholars III requires students to participate actively in Scholars Program activities and to seek and complete an experiential learning activity, which provides the opportunity to put into practice the knowledge gained from courses taken. Scholars III is intended to expand your perspective on your education and help you define and direct your progress from the classroom to the world of work. A commitment of at least 30 hours is required for the activity, the activity must be approved by the Scholars Executive Director in advance through B-Engaged, and the activity must be supervised. Scholars III requirements can be achieved through a variety of experiential education activities as described in the following.

B. **Experiential Learning:** Scholars III is an opportunity to explore and reflect critically on your major field of study from a practical point of view, or to try something new and exciting. If you are contemplating a career in teaching, for example, you may want to do a teaching practicum or volunteer as a teacher’s assistant in one of Broome County’s public schools. If you are thinking about a career in law, then you may want to try working as an intern in a law office or political office. Scholars are responsible for identifying an experiential learning activity and should begin this process prior to the semester in which the requirement will be met.

C. **Approved Options for Completing SCHL 327:** Scholars are responsible for identifying and securing their own experiential learning activity. Approved options include the following:

- Internship
- Study abroad
- Clinical experience
- Laboratory experience
- Research experience
- Teaching practicum
- Field study
- Music/Theater production
- Studio Experience
- Professional paper/poster presentation
- SCHL 396: Guthrie Scholars Premedical Intern
- NURS 321 (DSO)
- MGMT 350 (SOM)
- PSYC 493 (Harpur)
- Freshman Research Immersion 3rd Semester Courses:
  - BIOL 323 (FRI Biofilm Stream)
  - PHYS 235/MSE 212 (FRI Smart Energy Stream)
  - PSYC 364 (FRI Neuroscience Stream)
  - CHEM 262 (FRI Biomedical Chemistry Stream)
  - EECE 215/CS 215 (FRI Image & Acoustic Signals Analysis Stream)
- ANTH 305 (FRI Biomedical & Molecular Anthropology Stream)
- ENVI /GEOL 334 (FRI Biogeochemistry Stream)
- ENVI 306 (FRI Geospatial Remote Sensing Stream) - courses pending
- ANTH 306 (FRI Community & Global Public Health)
- Other (with permission)

D. **Credit:** SCHL327 is zero credit hours

E. **Grading:** Pass/Fail only. Even though SCHL327 is 0 credit, a grade for the course will be present on your transcript

F. **Instructions and Timeline Information:**
   1. **When to begin:** Scholars are responsible for identifying an experiential learning activity. This activity should be planned by the end of the second year and fulfilled in the third year (or the summer before or after). Scholars should begin this process prior to the semester in which they plan to complete the requirement.
2. **Submit Pre-Activity Application:** All Scholars must complete a Scholars III Pre-Approval Application on B-Engaged regardless of the option chosen. Visit bengaged.binghamton.edu/organization/buscholars and click on “Forms.”

3. **Register for SCHL 327:** Register for SCHL 327 in the semester you plan to complete the Scholars III requirement. This must be completed before add/drop deadlines.
   
   *Study Abroad, summer, and breaks:* If the Scholars III requirement is being completed as study abroad, or during the summer or semester break, then Scholars must register for SCHL327 in the semester immediately following completion of the requirements.

   SCHL327 is a zero-credit course, but it must be completed as part of the Scholars Program requirements. Those registering for SCHL327 but failing to complete all requirements will receive a grade of F for the course.

4. **Complete the experiential learning activity:** A minimum of 30 hours must be devoted to the activity and the activity must be supervised.

5. **Submit Post-Approval using B-Engaged** by May 1 (spring semester) or December 1 (fall semester). Upon completion of the Scholars III activity, a Post-Activity Application must be submitted through B-Engaged by May 1st or December 1.
   
   Please note that SCHL327 is a zero-credit course, but it must be completed as part of the Scholars Program requirements. Those registering for SCHL327 but failing to complete a Post-Activity Application will receive a grade of F for the course. Visit bengaged.binghamton.edu/organization/buscholars and click on “Forms.”

G. **RESOURCES**

**Internships:** The Career Development Center assists students interested in internships. See https://www.binghamton.edu/ccpd/ for more information.

**Study Abroad:** The Office of International Programs assists students wishing to study abroad. See http://binghamton.edu/oip/ for more information.

**Tutoring:** Students who wish to tutor can do so on campus through the Center for Learning and Teaching, located in the College in the Woods Library. To count as a Scholars III activity, tutoring must be part of a structured program and must be approved by the Scholars Executive Director before beginning the experience. See https://www.binghamton.edu/clt/tutoring-services/ for more information.

**Research:** Students wishing to do a research project are responsible for finding a faculty member to sponsor their project and sign off as their faculty sponsor on the Scholars III application form. For assistance, contact the Undergraduate Research Office. See https://www.binghamton.edu/undergraduate-research-center/ for more information.

**Civic Engagement:** For students wishing to become active in community service, contact the Center for Civic Engagement. See https://www.binghamton.edu/cce/ for more information.