



HON 4497 Honors Capstone Proposal Format

- 1) **What type of project will you complete?** Please describe the project using the guidelines given below for the type of project you have planned. Keep in mind that every project is different. *Talk to faculty supervisor and departmental Honors liaison about which of the types below are appropriate for your project and any expectations for Honors capstones in your major.*
 - a) Research projects**
 - i) Describe your project and final product.
 - ii) What are your research question or topic?
 - iii) What's your rationale for doing this study?
 - iv) What is original about your project?
 - v) Describe your research design or methodology.
 - vi) Provide a reference list or annotated bibliography of related research.
 - b) Creative projects**
 - i) Describe your project and final product.
 - ii) Explain how your work will be related to historical and, especially, current trends in your art form. For the finished capstone, you will expand this discussion into a paper that also includes your reflections about your creative choices and results.
 - iii) Provide a reference list or annotated bibliography related to the history of your art form.
 - c) Scholarly Service projects**
 - i) Describe your project and final product.
 - ii) What is the specific need you plan to meet?
 - iii) How did you learn about the need for the service you will provide?
 - iv) How did you explore what service was needed by the client (agency, unit, etc.)?
 - v) How can you document the importance of the service?
 - vi) What similar projects might inform your work?
 - vii) What research will you conduct to enable you to meet this need?
 - viii) Provide a reference list or annotated bibliography of related research and resources.
 - d) Other projects**
 - i) Describe your project and final product.
 - ii) Why is this project important?
 - iii) What is your rationale for doing this project?
 - iv) What might you learn from similar projects?

- v) Provide a reference list or annotated bibliography of related research as is appropriate.

2) Describe how your capstone is relevant to your future goals.

3) Explain how the capstone project will demonstrate your strength in at least one of the eight Honors Foundations:

- i) Appreciation of Diverse Perspectives
- ii) Creativity and Innovation
- iii) Critical Thinking
- iv) Effective Communication
- v) Information Fluency
- vi) Interdisciplinary Learning
- vii) Leadership
- viii) Professionalism

4) What makes the project an Honors capstone? Why is the quality or distinctive approach worthy of designation as an Honors capstone? If your major includes a capstone, what distinguishes yours from others in your major in quality, approach, and/or originality?