

## 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?