

Departmental Honors Research Program in the Department/Program of School of Social Sciences and International Studies

The Departmental Honors Scholar degree designation is awarded through the Honors Program in the College of Graduate Programs and Honors Studies.

Eligibility     Cumulative and/or major GPAs     Earned credit hours/class standing	A major in Modern Languages, French or Spanish. Must be in the final year of studies.
Proposal and Approval Process  Requirements for a student proposal Details about the department's approval of the proposal	A written proposal outlining the honors project, submitted to the project advisor (one faculty member) and the Department Chair. GPA of 3.0 or above in all courses. GPA of 3.5 or better in the major.
Academic Requirements     Length, scope, and nature of the research/project/internship/ co-op/performance     Course(s), credit hours (typically 3-6 semester hours), and expected grades     Presentation (if required)	One three credit hour honors course (FR/SPN 4500). At the end of the course, a substantial paper or project on a previously agreed topic. The paper will be written in the target language. If there is a project, a presentation (if applicable) may be required, by agreement with the advisor.
Evaluation     Describe the criterion     List who will determine satisfactory completion of the departmental Honors research requirements	The advisor, one additional faculty member, and the Chair will evaluate the paper. The Chair will verify that major requirements are also met.
Project Oversight  Detail who will serve as a student's Honors research advisor (a single faculty member, department/program committee, and/or department chair)	Single faculty member; the Chair will be available for consultation.
Timeline  • Describe the typical timeline for completion of the Honors research, including milestones for when a student should apply to, begin work on, and complete the Honors research	The student must apply the semester preceding that in which 4500 will be taken, and the student must have the agreement of the faculty member before doing so.
Forms  • Attach any forms a student must complete in conjunction with the Departmental Honors project (admission, approval, etc.)	