Department of Anthropology
Senior Honors Project Requirements
(Effective Spring 2012)

The honors program is designed for students preparing to enter a graduate program in anthropology. It is open to Anthropology majors in their junior or beginning senior year who have an excellent academic record (3.00 G.P.A. overall) and a G.P.A. of 3.50 or higher in anthropology courses. The program entails writing a thesis of 20 pages or more. Qualified students are eligible to enroll in the Anthropology honors program at, but preferably before, the beginning of their senior year.

The student, after asking a faculty member to be a sponsor, must submit a proposal indicating the topic and procedure of the planned research to the Departmental honors committee through the director of undergraduate studies. The supervising faculty member must also submit a statement supporting the student's proposal and indicating the merit of the planned research. This must ordinarily be done in the semester prior to the beginning of the student's senior year.

Students register for ANT 495 or ANP 495 in the first semester of their senior year and conduct research for the project. They register for ANT 496 or ANP 496 during the second semester of their senior year. These two courses must be taken in addition to the total credits required for the major. Students must submit a draft of their thesis to their faculty sponsor by April 1 for May graduation or November 1 for December graduation. They must submit an honors thesis of 20 pages or more of fully referenced material to the director of undergraduate studies no later than Monday of the final week of classes (excluding final examination week). Each thesis is read by three faculty members, two of whom must be members of the Department of Anthropology. If the paper is judged to be of sufficient merit and the student's record warrants such a determination, the department recommends honors. The program consists of:

1. Completion of all requirements for the major in Anthropology with a G.P.A. of 3.50 or higher in anthropology courses (36 credits)
2. ANT 495 and ANT 496, or ANP 495 and ANP 496
3. The honors thesis (6 credits)
All items on this form must be completed and turned in to the Director of Undergraduate studies before you will be allowed to register for ANT 495/496 or ANP 495/496.

I. CONTACT INFORMATION:
   A) Local address: __________________________________________________________
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II. REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST:
   A) Class status (circle one): Junior Senior
   B) Overall G.P.A. (must be 3.0 or higher): ________________________________
   C) G.P.A. in Anthropology (must be 3.5 or higher): _________________________
   D) Project title and description (please attach, 2 pages maximum)
   E) Faculty Sponsor
      Name:________________________ Signature:______________________________
   F) Sponsoring faculty statement (please attach)
   G) Second faculty reader:
      Name:________________________ Department:___________________________
   H) Third faculty reader:
      Name:________________________ Department:___________________________
   I) Anthropology Director of Undergraduate Studies Approval
      Signature:________________________ Date:________________________

Student Notified (name and date):__________________________________________
Medium (phone, e-mail, other):____________________________

Approval for Departmental Honors (signatures):
   Faculty Sponsor:________________________ Date:________________________
   Second Reader:________________________ Date:________________________
   Third Reader:________________________ Date:________________________
   DUS:________________________ Date:________________________

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