

HONORS PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne

I. Contact Information:

Student

Name: _____ Preferred Contact Method: _____

Major: _____ Telephone: _(____)_____

E-mail: _____ Cell Phone: _(____)_____

Mailing Address: _____

Faculty Mentor

Name: _____ Preferred Contact Method: _____

Department: _____ Phone: _____

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II. Presentation Information:

Anticipated Presentation Date*: _____ Anticipated Graduation: Fall/Spring of _____

**Note: The Honors Program hosts two Honors Showcases per academic year—Fall (early December) and Spring (early April).*

Will the work on the project be done as part of a course?

--Yes, independent study with the faculty mentor during Fall/Spring/Summer 20__ semester

--Yes, as part of an H-Option for _____ (course name and number) during
Fall/Spring/Summer 20__ semester.

--No. Please explain _____

If presenting your work elsewhere, such as at a symposium, please explain here and provide the dates:

III. Project Information:

Part 1: Project Proposal: In collaboration with the faculty mentor, the student should attach a project proposal that addresses the following in a manner that is accessible to educated laymen (people with no prior knowledge of the project or the field) while clearly explaining any terminology or jargon:

- **A description of the proposed project:** Please be as clear as possible. Include what it is you plan on exploring and how this will contribute to your field. A clearly stated hypothesis or objective is essential to this description, as well as a description of the project's strengths and limitations.
- **Research plan and or methodology:** Outline the experiment, methodology, or research process that you intend to use while conducting your project. Be very specific. We understand that this may need to be adjusted as you work on your project.
- **Obstacles:** What area(s) of the project are of greatest concern to you and why? What aspect of the project might benefit from additional expertise or attention?
This section will help the Council determine the best liaisons for your project.
- **Anticipated results:** What do you expect the results to be, and what do you plan on learning from this research?
- **Tentative bibliography:** Include a tentative bibliography of primary and secondary sources that you plan on using for your project. Prepare the bibliography according to the anticipated scholarly format specific to your discipline (such as APA, MLA, or Chicago Style). This bibliography should reflect your research on the topic thus far.
- **Timeline:** Briefly describe your anticipated timeline for completing the project.

Part 2: Faculty Mentor Statement: This document will clearly and succinctly explain why the project is worthy of honors credit and how this project provides a unique challenge for the student. The explanation should be accessible to those outside of the field or discipline, so please explain any terms or jargon. If the project is being done for credit, this document will also explain how the work will be evaluated and provide the criteria to be used for the final grade. Please note that the course grade is not linked to the evaluation of the project by the Council.

IV. Required Signatures:

Student

Date

Faculty Mentor

Date

Mentor's Department Chair

Date

Honors Program Director

Date

