

## CAS 460H – Introduction to Honors Thesis

During this independent study, students will explore thesis topics, theories, and methods of inquiry. Outcomes of this course are:

- Identification of Thesis Supervisor
- Completed thesis proposal
- Literature review

### *Meetings*

Students will schedule a standard, bi-weekly (every two weeks) meeting time with the course supervisor. Prior to each meeting, students will submit their activity logs to the course dropbox on Angel. Recorded hours should reflect time and content expectations determined at the prior meeting. For a 3-credit course, students are expected to complete 120 hours of work for the semester, or about 8 hours per week.

### *Readings*

Readings will be based on student's area(s) of interest.

### **Schedule**

Week one	Course Introduction, expectations
Weeks two & three	Research and make appointments with faculty who share similar interests; request suggestions for readings (theory, research design, research subject areas)
Weeks four & five	Continue meeting with faculty; meet with librarian to collect additional readings related to theory and subject.
Weeks six & seven	Choose thesis supervisor; meet with him/her to hone research topic; continue collecting readings/research for literature review
Weeks eight & nine	Write thesis proposal; begin writing literature review
Weeks ten & eleven	Lit review
Weeks twelve & thirteen	Lit review
Weeks fourteen & fifteen	Submit literature review with properly formatted list of works cited