Project Project Summary

This document is designed for research students and faculty advisors to define the proposed honors research activities and discuss expectations. Please review the honors program handbook for more information pertaining to research requirements, deadlines, and graduating with honors.

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| Academic Advisor |  |
| Research Advisor |  |
| Graduation Semester |  |

Please acknowledge that you have reviewed the following topics by initialing each statement.

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|  | You have a degree plan on file with the University and can review it with a Degree Works Audit. |
|  | You have reviewed NSU’s [IRB policies](https://offices.nsuok.edu/irb/default.aspx) and agree to follow those requirements if your research involves human subjects. |
|  | You have reviewed NSU’s [IACUC policies](https://nsuok.edu/Administration/Committees/InstitutionalAnimalCareUse.aspx) and agree to follow those requirements if your research involves animals. |
|  | Students are not authorized to conduct experiments unless those experiments have been approved by and are under the guidance of their research advisor. |
|  | Students must follow all applicable rules, laws, and regulations when working on their research. This includes safe laboratory practices if appropriate to your work. |
|  | The honors research experience culminates in a written research paper and a presentation in a scholarly setting. The paper must be approved by the research advisor and honors director. |

# Research Plan Summary

Please try to limit your responses to the following questions to 100 words or less. You may want to develop more extensive research plans with your advisor. This document, however, is meant to function as a summary of the overall research goal/plan and to stimulate those discussions with your advisor. You may type your answers directly into this document.

1. What is your proposed topic of study? This can be framed as a research hypothesis, research question, or topic of scholarly interest appropriate to your field of study.
2. How do you plan to complete the research project? Include a timeline that benchmarks key steps in completing the project. For example, if your project requires you to study human subjects, approximately when do you plan to complete your IRB application, conduct interviews, and then analyze the results?
3. Are there any unique resources that you need to complete your project? If so, what is the plan for acquiring those resources? If your research requires money to complete, please coordinate with your research advisor on securing funding.
4. What are your instructor’s expectations for this research experience? For instance, how frequently do you plan to meet? Who initiates the meetings? What are the expectations for excellent (grade A) work?
5. Are there any other unique or special circumstances associated with your research that should be considered?

A signed copy of this document is due to the Honors Program Office by March 1 or September 30, depending on the semester you are enrolled in the course.

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| **Research Advisor** |  | **Date** |  |
| **Honors Director** |  | **Date** |  |