Heavener School of Business
General Studies Honors Thesis Requirements

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
To graduate with honors, Heavener School of Business students must earn the specified GPA for their catalog year in ALL THREE of the following areas: 1) overall UF GPA, 2) business core GPA, and 3) area of specialization GPA. In addition, students who wish to graduate magna and summa cum laude must write an honors thesis (see guidelines below). To be eligible to enroll in an honors thesis course, you must complete 90 credit hours and have the GPAs required for the magna cum laude designation. Note: University Scholars Program research papers can be used to fulfill the college thesis requirement.

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<th>HONORS DESIGNATIONS &amp; CORRESPONDING GPA REQUIREMENTS</th>
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THESIS REQUIREMENTS
To graduate with the magna or summa cum laude honors designation, students must conduct an empirical research project (e.g., an observational study, survey, or experiment) that is commensurate with the standards in their field and then report their findings in a formal research paper. There are countless research topics to choose from and students are encouraged to explore their interests. It is also possible to take part in a faculty member’s research project and to use that project as a basis for your honors thesis. In general, an honors thesis must be supervised by a faculty member who has an understanding of the subject you plan to research; students who plan to conduct research in their area of specialization should work with a faculty member from the department that oversees the area of specialization. Students who research a business-related topic should find a business faculty advisor and follow the honors thesis guidelines established by their advisor’s department. For tips on finding a faculty supervisor, see http://www.honors.ufl.edu/Faculty-Tips.aspx.

Students should have their faculty supervisor e-mail the Honors Coordinator (see contact information below) to indicate they have agreed to supervise the thesis. In addition, students must obtain the approval of the Honors Coordinator for their project via the attached Heavener School of Business Undergraduate Honors Thesis Application below. If approved, the Honors Coordinator will enroll you in GEB 4970 which is a one credit honors thesis course that is taken for a Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) grade. The faculty supervisor is responsible for determining if your thesis is satisfactory and for e-mailing your final grade to the Honors Coordinator. The Honors Coordinator will submit your final grade.

THESIS SUBMISSION PROCESS
1) When your thesis is approved, submit a hard copy of your paper to the advising office in Bryan 233 by the published deadline along with a typewritten copy of the Honors Thesis Submission Form.

2) Complete an online Honors Thesis Abstract Submission Form and submit an electronic copy of your thesis to the UF Honors Program Office.

3) University Scholars must also submit a copy of their paper to the Journal of Undergraduate Research at cgreer@ufl.edu by the published deadline.

If you have questions regarding your honors thesis, contact the honors coordinator:

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<th>HONORS COORDINATOR CONTACT INFORMATION</th>
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<td>Honors Coordinator: Dr. Brian Ray</td>
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Heavener School of Business
Undergraduate Honors Thesis Application

Part I: Student Information

Name: ___________________________________________ UF ID: ________________
UF E-mail Address: ________________________________ Major: ________________

Part II: Verification of GPAs (Must be completed by an advisor in 233 Bryan Hall.)

☐ < 2002 Catalog Year (3.6 magna/3.8 summa) ☐ > 2003 Catalog Year (3.7 magna/3.9 summa)
    ____Core GPA   ____Major/Area GPA _____UF GPA

Heavener School of Business Advisor’s Signature: ________________________________

The applicant must earn these grades to earn a magna or summa cum laude (circle one) designation:

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Part III: Supervising Faculty and Department Approval

Honors Thesis Title: ___________________________________________________________

Thesis Description: ___________________________________________________________
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Student’s Signature: _________________________________________________________

Supervising Faculty: ________________________________________________________(approval)

Honors Coordinator: ________________________________________________________(approval)

Course: ________ Section #: ________ Credit: ________ Semester: ________ Year: ________

Honors Thesis Submissions Deadline: Deliver one copy of your thesis and one copy of your typewritten Honors Thesis Submission Form to the supervising department by the published deadline.