Faculty Mentor Guidelines for Honors Component Contracts

- Students must earn at least a B in the course in which an Honor’s Component is undertaken. Make sure that the student’s grade is a B or higher prior to completing the HP Contract.
- Working with Honors students on an Honors Component project is considered college service for full-time faculty and should be documented on an E5 form.
- Faculty must individualize each Honors Component project.
- Honors Projects evaluation should be separate from the course evaluation. A student shouldn’t earn an IP in a course because of a pending Honors Project.

Research Papers

- Must be at least 10 Pages
- Must use analysis, synthesis, or evaluation (i.e. critical thinking)
- Must use appropriate type of documentation
- Can be an extended version of a course assignment as long as it is sufficiently in depth

Other Projects

- Laboratory research or Social Science research, as long as it is original
- Field study, as long as it is original
- Artistic endeavor, mathematical project, health project, or other field specific project
- Other projects must include a written account of the project undertaken and analysis of that project/data. This written account should not follow the format of the research paper, but it should be detailed and show the depth of the project.

Timeline

Meet with student in the beginning of the semester to begin planning. Completed Contracts and Plans are due to the Honors Coordinator by week 5 of the semester (tmagnoli@northshore.edu or Lynn, W176). Expect to meet with the student at least 3 times during the semester to guide the project. The student must complete the project by the deadline established in the contract.