

Honors Program – Pre-Capstone Proposal Supervisor Sign off

Student Name: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____

Thank you for your willingness to oversee the capstone project of an Honor's student. The successful completion of a capstone project will enable the student to graduate with university honors (as distinct from Latin honors or honors in the major). Your time, support, and expertise are greatly appreciated.

Typically a capstone project is carried out within the student's major, and it often satisfies a major requirement. This might take the form of an internship, a thesis, guided research, study abroad, or any number of other possibilities. The project should entail 3-credits worth of effort (or 120 hours for those projects that are not undertaken for academic credit). What qualifies work performed within the major to serve as an honor's capstone project is the addition of reflective components that require the student to address the resonance between the project and the goals of the Honors program and the relevance of the project to the student's post-graduate educational or career goals.

Where your expertise is particularly needed is in judging the substance and suitability of the learning outcomes that the student has identified as the basis for the project. It will be your responsibility to judge the appropriateness of these goals in the student's pre-capstone proposal and then, upon completion of the project, to attest to the fact that the student has achieved these outcomes (or, for valid reasons—say, as a result of an experiment that did not produce useful data—has failed to do so. An honors mentor will be responsible for determining whether the reflective components of the pre and post-capstone reports meet the expectations of the Honors program.

With these expectations in mind, please indicate whether:

1. You are amenable to supervising this student's academic project:

Yes

No

2. You have discussed the projected learning outcomes with the student and found them to be substantive and suitable:

Yes

No

3. The effort entailed in completing this project will result in 3 credits or entail at least 120 hours.

Yes

No

Thank you again for your willingness to support the efforts of this student to obtain university honors.

Faculty Signature _____

Faculty Affiliation _____

Date _____