

PS 496 Honors Thesis Enrollment Application

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Description

PS 496 is for senior political science majors who are not in the political science honors program who wish to complete an in-depth study on a topic they choose, supervised by a faculty sponsor. You can enroll for from 2–5 hours of PS 496 at a time, but you must register for at least 4 hours total to complete the thesis. Typically you will take these hours over two academic terms.

Prerequisites: Your campus GPA must be 3.0 or higher, and you must demonstrate that you have the preparation and the time to complete the thesis.

Instructions

You and your faculty sponsor must complete the appropriate sections of this application fully and submit the form to the Director of Undergraduate Studies, or to your advisor. The director will contact you by email to let you know if your application has been approved. If it is, the email will contain further instructions for enrolling in the course.

Student section

last name

first name

UIN

term/year of proposed thesis project

PS GPA

email

What is your supporting coursework?

What research methods courses have you taken?: STAT 100/equivalent STAT 200/equivalent PS230 PS231 other

If you checked 'other' above, list any other research methods courses you have taken.

If you have completed any papers or other writing projects 20 pages long or longer, list the course, term, and paper title for each one.

What is the topic of your proposed thesis project? (Include a title if you have one.)

Over the terms in which you plan to work on your thesis, list the courses you are planning to take:

Term 1

Term 2

PS 496 / Honors thesis

2-3 hours

PS 496 / Honors thesis

2-3 hours

Total hours:

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During these terms, list any jobs, volunteer work, or activities other than schoolwork which will require more than 8 hours/week of your attention or presence.

During these terms, are there any reasons why you might not be able to devote about 12 hours/week (average) to working on your thesis? Explain.

How often do you plan to meet with your faculty sponsor?

Faculty sponsor section

last name

first name

email

I agree to sponsor the student's thesis project described above.

signature

date

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Political Science

comments

signature

date