

Honours Supervision
Policy English
202301

Objectives:

- x Under the supervision of an instructor, the student will propose, develop, and complete an independent undergraduate research project, making appropriate use of primary and/or secondary sources. Such a project can be digital or community engaged (if relevant, the project must be approved by the Human Research Ethics Board). All proposed projects are subject to approval by the Honours Committee.
- x The student will become familiar with the relevant methodological problems of research as well as with the techniques and problems of scholarly writing.
- x The student will present and defend the project at an oral examination.

The Supervisory Relationship:

- x Every student doing an Honours project will have a primary academic supervisor, who is a mentor and advisor for the Honours research, and who develops a professional relationship with the student that supports their scholarly activities, intellectual enhancement and professional development.
- x Every student doing an Honours project will have a supervisory committee consisting of the supervisor plus one additional member (henceforth referred to as the second reader)

Duties of the Supervisor

- x The supervisor will maintain a professional relationship with the student at all times, meeting regularly, reviewing drafts in a timely manner, and guiding the project according

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Supervisors should be aware that students from different cultural backgrounds may have dif

- x Students who complete English 310 with a grade of B+ or higher are approved to declare honours
- x Students who will take English 490 (Directed Reading) must submit a Proposal Form and syllabus by the end of the first week of classes in the term they plan to take English 490;
- x Students must find a supervisor before they submit a 499 proposal
- x A timetable of recommended and required project submission dates will be emailed to students and supervisors by the Honours Adviser or honours administrator (specific dates will change from year to year, but guidelines can be accessed on the 499 Graduating Essay Instructions page on the English Department's honours website)

For more information on typical timelines for completion and specific program requirements, please see the honours website:

<https://www.uvic.ca/humanities/english/undergraduate/programs/honours/>