

APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL STUDIES FOR HONORS

H195A H195B

UC BERKELEY DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY HONORS PROGRAM

For Staff Use Only:

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IMPORTANT: Psychology majors with an overall GPA of 3.3 and a Psychology major GPA of 3.5 GPA are eligible to enroll in Honors. Psych H195 units are for completion of the Honors thesis. This course is offered on a letter grade basis.

Psych H195A/B: The Psychology Honors Program is intended for advanced undergraduates wishing to receive honors credit for independent research projects under the mentorship of a Psychology faculty member. To apply for Psych 195B, H195A must have been completed

Credit: A grade of "In Progress" is given the first semester; final grade and units awarded upon completion of H195B. This is a variable unit (1-3 units), letter-graded course and assumes a three hours of work/week in a lab per unit. While there are no written assignments required in H195A, the student must complete two semesters (H195A and H195B) to earn honors.

Name of Student: _____ SID: _____

Email: _____ Semester: _____ Units: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____ Expected Thesis Submission: _____

Name of Faculty Sponsor: _____

Name of Research Mentor (if different from faculty sponsor): _____

Title of Project: _____

Please type your response to each question in a separate sheet:

1. Write a one-page description of your research project. What question(s) will be addressed by your honors thesis?
2. Outline the general plan of your work. This should include a description of your research approach, including an adequate description of your methodologies, procedures and how the results will be analyzed. Any substantial collaboration with other individuals (e.g. graduate students, post-docs, faculty, etc.) should be described.
3. List the completed Psychology courses and/or non-Psychology coursework (if any) relevant to the subject of your honors thesis.
4. **To be completed by the student (faculty sponsor needs to complete separate form):**
 - a. How will the faculty member be involved in your research experience?
 - b. Who will directly supervise (e.g. PI, post-doc, graduate student, etc.) and guide your research? Describe how the supervision will be conducted.
 - c. FOR PSYCH H195B only: Create a time line with tentative deadlines leading to the completion of the thesis. Both the student and the mentor should agree on a realistic time frame to ensure the timely submission of the project.

Students are encouraged to complete their honors thesis with a faculty member in the Department of Psychology. If you wish to complete your honors thesis with a faculty member outside the department, you must also submit the following:

1. *A statement explaining why you are completing your honors thesis with the faculty member outside the department*
2. *Information about your faculty mentor, including the College/Department he/she has an appointment in, and some information about their specializations.*

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

By signing, I recognize that I must complete at least two semesters of research in the thesis lab, in addition to obtaining the required GPA and completing the written thesis requirements.

Faculty Sponsor/Direct Supervisor Agreement for H195A and H195B

I, _____, agree to serve as the H195A/H195B honors thesis faculty sponsor to _____. In this role, I agree to participate substantially in supervising my thesis advisee's project. At a minimum, this will involve:

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- Meeting with my advisee at least once a month for the entirety of the academic year
- Directly engaging with the advisee on study design and data analyses (or ensuring the advisee the mentoring and aid of a graduate or postdoctoral student in my lab)
- Providing feedback on drafts of the thesis prior to the submission of the thesis

If mentoring will be provided by someone in addition to, or other than, the faculty sponsor himself/herself, please have this person complete the statement below and sign this form as well.

I, _____, agree to serve as a H195A/H195B honors thesis mentor to _____. In this role, I agree to directly supervise my thesis advisee's project. At a minimum, this will involve:

Initial for agreement

- Coordinating with the faculty sponsor of the advisee on mentoring/supervision duties
- Meeting with my advisee regularly for the entirety of the academic year
- Directly engaging with the advisee on study design and data analyses
- Providing feedback on drafts of the thesis prior to the submission of the thesis

Mentor Signature (if different from faculty sponsor): _____ **Date:** _____

By signing, I recognize that this student will receive Psychology credit for honors research, and that the final grade determination will be made by their faculty sponsor.

Faculty Sponsor Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

By signing, I commit to actively supervise this student's project to assure that the student's efforts are of good quality, and that the student receives the necessary assistance required to understand each stage of the research. I agree to sponsor this student pursuing honors thesis and to evaluate the student's progress.