

Honors College Prospectus Guidelines

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Required at the end of HON 301 or by the end of the student's junior year, whichever comes first, the prospectus represents the plan for the senior thesis project and will serve as a "contract" for conduct, completion and evaluation of the project. Although a binding agreement, the student, dean, and mentor may work together to modify the prospectus, as required, to accommodate unexpected results, new opportunities or techniques, or other circumstances. The prospectus should contain the following elements, which also serve as a template and starting point for the final written presentation of the project. Note: the entire prospectus will total approximately 20 pages, with the body requiring 10 to 15 double-spaced pages.

- Title page
- Mentor Mentee Contract and Approval page (format will be provided by the Dean), will include mentor/mentee agreement; planning for two additional committee members; understanding of thesis defense and Showcase requirement
- Background/Introduction - A presentation of the context and rationale for the project focus. This section should be supported by appropriate citations from the primary /mye