



Sierra College Honors Contract

Overview

- ❖ The Sierra College Honors Program is administered by a standing committee of the Academic Senate. The honors program is designed to give students and faculty an opportunity to work closely together to provide a learning experience that is richer and deeper than a course can offer in the typical classroom setting.

Honors Program Outcomes

- ❖ Develop and explore in greater depth and/or breadth the subject matter of the course/discipline.
- ❖ Gain knowledge about accessing and using resources outside of the classroom to enhance the student's preparation for continued education and/or careers
- ❖ Understand, initiate, create, and/or build a project of original work that adds to the body of knowledge in the field of study or discipline and/or to the community

Faculty Responsibilities

In order to successfully complete an Honors Contract Proposal, the faculty member will:

- ❖ Co-create with the student the Honors Contract Proposal, which focuses on at least one Honors Program Outcome
- ❖ Co-create with the student the Proposals goals, objectives, meeting times, and method of evaluation

- ❖ Co-create with the student a Proposal whose rigor and excellence exceeds the course's expectations
- ❖ Meet with the student regularly throughout the semester, engaging and mentoring the student, to share in the discovery of new ideas, information, data, and/or methodologies in the field of study.
- ❖ Guide the student through the completion of the project, including research, campus or community service, presentations, publication, or product.
- ❖ Evaluate the process and completion of the project, and share how the evaluation is determined.
- ❖ Submit the completed Contract Proposal to the Honors Committee by the due date.
- ❖ Earn 3 hours of Flex credit for every contract supervised, with up to 5 contracts or 15 Flex hours accrued.

Student Responsibilities

In order to successfully complete an Honors Proposal Contract, the student will:

- ❖ Receive an A or a B as their overall grade for the course
- ❖ Co-create with the faculty member the Honors Contract Proposal, which focuses on at least one Honors Program Outcome
- ❖ Co-create with the faculty member the Proposal's goals, objectives, meeting times, and method of evaluation
- ❖ Co-create with the faculty member a Proposal whose rigor and excellence exceeds the course's expectations
- ❖ Meet with the faculty member regularly throughout the semester, engaging with the faculty member, to share in the discovery of new ideas, information, data, and/or methodologies in the field of study.
- ❖ Work with the faculty member through the completion of the project, including research, campus or community service, presentations, publication, or a product.
- ❖ Participate in the evaluation process, through the completion of the project.
- ❖ With the faculty member submit the completed Contract Proposal to the Honors Committee by the due date.

- ❖ Upon successful completion of the Honors Contract and the course receive appropriate credit from Sierra College, including the notation “Completed with Honors” next to the course record. With successful completion of 5 or more Honors Contracts, the student will receive the notation “Completed with Honors” next to the title of the student’s Associate’s Degree at the head of the official transcript.

Student Information

Name		Email	
Student ID#		Phone Number	

Faculty Information

Name		Email	
Department		Phone Number	

Course Information

Dept & Number (eg, CHEM 1)		Division	
Course Title		CRN	

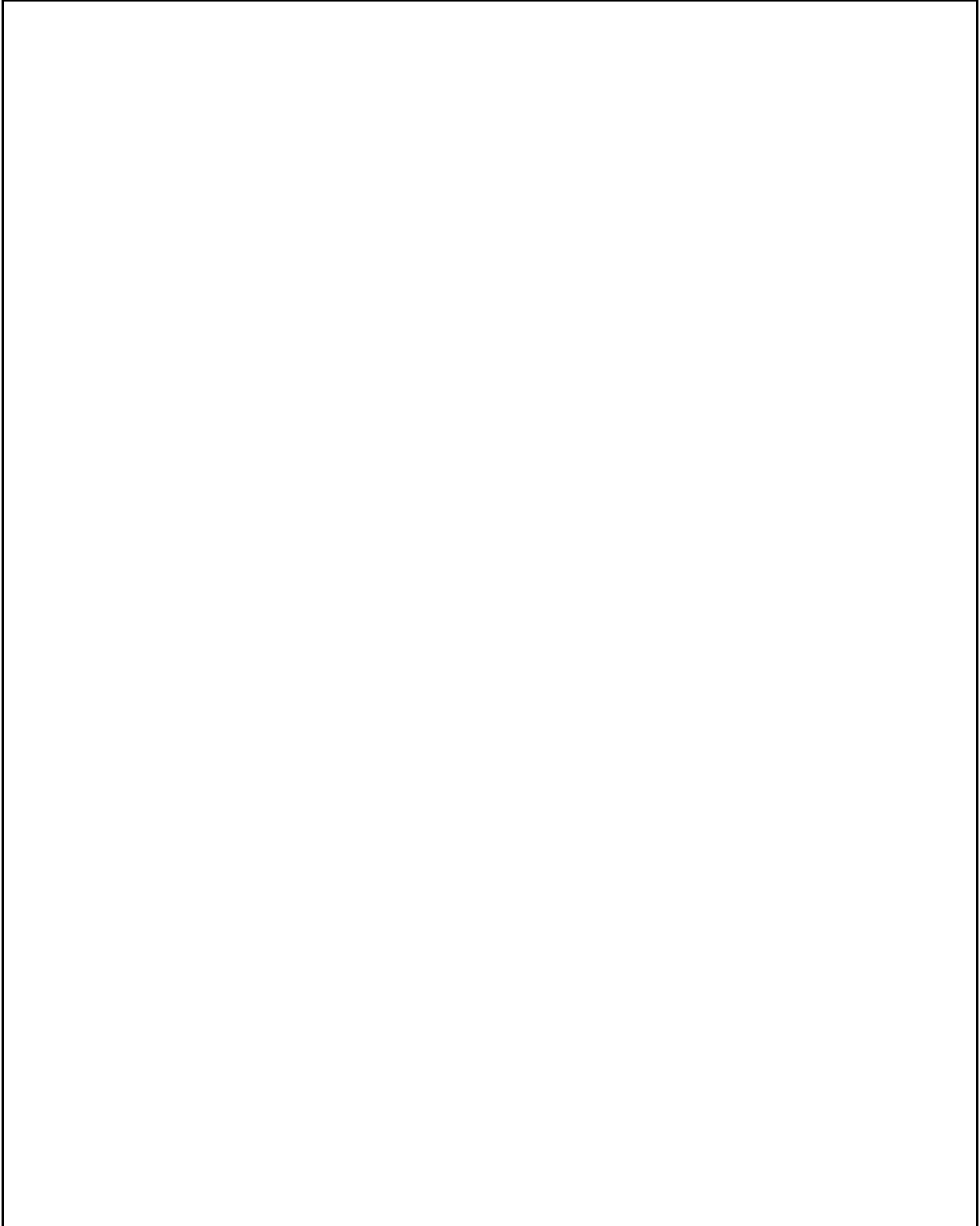
Honors Program Outcome that the contract proposal addresses:

(Choose one of the three options listed above, in “Honors Program Outcomes”)


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Proposal/Project Description:

[\[More detailed information and examples\]](#)

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ASSESSMENT METHOD:

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Signatures

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		Date			Date
Student			Honors Committee		
Faculty			Dean		