

Completion of the Core Curriculum with Honors



Core Honors allows students motivated to achieve a higher level of command of the material and techniques addressed in Core to conduct in-depth research in an area of personal interest.

This research is usually conducted during a student's junior year. Students begin by consulting with a Core faculty advisor. Together they discuss a particular project and a schedule for completion as well as complete the application for Core Honors. Applications are due no later than the first week of classes in the semester when students intend to undertake their honors paper or project.

Completion of the Core Curriculum with Honors requires a grade of B+ or better in all eight Core courses (or, for natural science majors who do not take CC 111/212, all six Core humanities and social science courses) **plus one of the following:**

1. A course taken outside of (but relevant to) the Core program and a substantial paper or project that relates material in that course to the Core program. The paper/project must be defended in front of a committee of at least three faculty members. At least one member of the committee must be from the Core faculty, and one must be from the non-Core course.

OR

2. The composition and defense of a substantial paper or project on a subject that bridges at least two particular Core Courses. The paper/project must be defended in front of at least three relevant faculty members from Core.

Students who satisfy the course and grade requirements, and complete and successfully defend their Honors project, will earn the following notation on their transcripts: **"Completed the Interdisciplinary Core Curriculum in Arts and Sciences, with Honors."**

APPLICATION FOR CORE WORK FOR HONORS

Part 1: To be completed by the student. Please print all information:

Student name: _____

BU ID: U _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

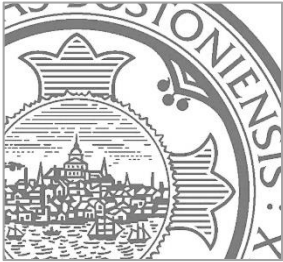
Expected graduation (month/year): _____ / _____ GPA: _____

Project title: _____

Semester in which the Honors project will be undertaken: _____

Please turn to the back of this application and fill out the information there >>

APPLICATION FOR CORE WORK FOR HONORS (cont.)



Part 2: To be completed by the faculty project advisor. Please print all information:

Faculty advisor name: _____

Email address: _____

Office phone number: _____

How long and in what capacity have you known the student?

Please evaluate (briefly) the student's ability to complete this project successfully and in a timely manner.

Any additional comments may be submitted on a separate page or via email.

My signature below certifies that I have read the student's proposal and recommend that it be accepted for work leading to completion of the Core Curriculum with Honors:

Faculty signature _____ Date: ____/____/____

Checklist for the Student Honors Project Applicant. Please include the following materials with your application:

- A brief description and timeline for completion of your intended project. Describe, as well, the significance of the proposed work, including its connection to the overall Core program. If you propose to engage with material from a course taken outside of Core, please be sure to include the relevant course number, title, and instructor's name
- A brief discussion of how this project fits in with your academic and intellectual interests more generally.
- An unofficial copy of your BU transcript (printed from the StudentLink)

My signature below certifies that all information provided here is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that my proposed Honors project does not duplicate work previously completed or to be submitted in fulfillment of requirements for any of my Core or other university courses.

Student signature _____ Date: ____/____/____

Director of the Core Curriculum signature _____ Date: ____/____/____

Submit your completed application packet in person to the Core office, CAS Room 119.