



Keystone Project Advising Form

The keystone project of the Kilachand Honors College at Boston University is an integral part of every Kilachand student's education. Proposed during the junior and undertaken during the senior year, the project consists of a substantial, in-depth work of research, creation, or invention in a student's chosen field.

Its form may vary from field to field, but the project should aim for the highest standards of the disciplinary or interdisciplinary area in question. The project must also be viable - that is, entail a research design that is intellectually ambitious but feasible given the time and resources available to college seniors.

For example, students of international relations might write a policy paper; biomedical engineers might create a device; stage designers might create a set for a specific play; an ecologist might design a study of the urban heat environment. The keystone project is equivalent to an honor's thesis, and qualifies for credit in ENG for senior design projects.

Junior Year: All Kilachand students must design and propose a feasible research project during their junior year. By the end of their junior year, they must also find a faculty member in their discipline willing to advise them on the project.

Senior Year: Kilachand seniors will work on their project with their faculty advisers while continuing to develop and communicate their work with their peers in Kilachand. In addition, seniors will plan a conference or series of workshops in which they present their keystone projects to students and faculty before graduation.

The signature of a faculty adviser as well as one Kilachand director and each student's KHC HC 401 instructor is a requirement for successful completion of the KHC 401: The Process of Discovery.

As faculty adviser to \_\_\_\_\_, I agree to supervise his/her research project, which is entitled \_\_\_\_\_.

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Adviser name (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
School and department

\_\_\_\_\_  
Adviser signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student name (please print)

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School and major

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Student signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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KHC 401 instructor (please print)

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KHC instructor signature/date

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KHC director (please print)

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KHC director signature/date

Students should submit this form to their KHC 401 instructor with the final version of their research proposal.