International Studies

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**International Studies Honors Thesis**

Instructions for the Reader

# Overview

In the senior year, students write a thesis or compose a project that integrates their thematic and regional concentrations. Departmental Honors are granted to students who have completed INTL-I406, Honors Capstone Thesis.

**Responsibilities of the Honors Thesis Reader** The Honors Thesis Reader:

* Has some expertise related to the student’s proposed thesis topic
* Is a member of the Honors Committee with the Honors Thesis Director and the International Studies Director of Undergraduate Studies
* Provides mentoring and guidance in the progression of INTL-I406, Honors Capstone as needed
* Reads the final draft of the thesis
* Attends the student’s defense
* Consults with the Honors Committee Members to grade the thesis

# Responsibilities of the Student

* The student identifies a tentative topic that integrates his or her International Studies thematic concentration and regional concentration
* The student creates a committee that consists of a thesis director, the International Studies Director of Undergraduate Studies, and the Reader
* The student with consultation with his/her mentor produces a senior thesis of approximately 50 pages.
* Upon completion the student provides the Reader and the INTL Director of Undergraduate Studies with a reasonable amount of time to review the rough draft before the defense.
* The student defends his or her thesis to the committee at the end of I406 Honors Capstone class no later than December or May.
* The student earns an A- or better on the thesis to secure departmental Honors.

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*Director of Undergraduate Studies*