# HONORS LEARNING Experiences: Honors Research

## HONORS UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH: HON 285/286

**Goal**
Students gain experience in research methodology and benefit from one-on-one interaction with faculty or as part of a research team.

**Opportunity**
- A means by which Honors students can pursue credit-generating, advanced Honors study by participating in an ongoing faculty research project.

**Details**
- Students can register for 1 – 6 hours of HON 285; each credit hour is equivalent to 3 hours of work per week over the course of the semester (for a total of 45 hours of work per credit hour).
- After completing HON 285, a student can register for 1 – 6 hours of HON 286; each credit hour is equivalent to 3 hours of work per week over the course of the semester (for a total of 45 hours of work per credit hour).
- HON 286 may be a continuation of the HON 285 experience or focus on an entirely new research opportunity.
- Students are assigned letter grades by the Faculty Supervisor.
- At the end of the semester, students are responsible for submitting a form with a reflection on their Honors Undergraduate Research experience.

## HONORS INDEPENDENT STUDY: XXX 299

**Goal**
Students investigate a topic of personal interest within their discipline under the guidance of a faculty member (Faculty Supervisor).

**Opportunity**
- A means by which Honors students can pursue credit-generating, advanced Honors study within any major
  - Can be completed through any Department/School; for example, ENG 299 or TCH 299

**Details**
- In some cases, an exceptional Honors Contract may be the inspiration for a future Honors Independent Study.
- Students can choose to register for 1 – 6 hours of 299; each credit hour is equivalent to 3 hours of work per week over the course of the semester (for a total of 45 hours of work per credit hour).
- Culminating products reflect the norms of the discipline and are assigned letter grades by the Faculty Supervisor.
- At the end of the semester, students are responsible for submitting a form with a reflection on their Honors Independent Study experience.

## HONORS THESIS: HON 395AXX

**Goal**
Students benefit from an independent research project in preparation for graduate-level study or publication.

**Opportunity**
- A means by which Honors students can engage in a credit-generating, intensive research project culminating in a written thesis with an oral defense
  - The XX refers to the Department/School

**Details**
- Students can register for 1 – 6 hours of HON 395AXX; each credit hour is equivalent to 3 hours of work per week over the course of the semester (for a total of 45 hours of work per credit hour).
- Culminating products reflect the norms of the discipline and are assigned letter grades by the Faculty Supervisor.
- At the end of the semester, students are responsible for submitting a form with a reflection on their Honors Thesis experience.

Each Honors Research Experience is credit-generating and results in earning a letter grade.