A Quick Guide to HONORS CONTRACTS

An Honors Contract is a mutual agreement between the Honors student and the faculty member on a project that will allow a particular course to be designated as “Honors” on the student’s transcript. Non-eligible courses include those already being offered as Honors courses, online courses, or PEAC courses.

**Do**

- Create a project that takes students deeper into the course content
- Create an imaginative project, in fact, the more imaginative the better!
- Engage in higher levels of thinking
- Involve ongoing research or create a new research agenda
- Stay commensurate with the number of credit hours earned for

**Don’t**

- Create a project that is just “busy work” or “extra work”
- Create a project that neither the student nor the faculty are interested in
- Create a project that has no clear connection to the course
- Create a project that has no tangible outcome
- Submit a contract for an online course or work that has already been accomplished

**In summary,**

A successful Honors Contract is one that is original and unique, engages both the student and the faculty, goes beyond the normal scope of the course, has a clear connection to the course content, is not additional, busy work, and is not vague.

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