The honors program is open to all majors in the Jackson School of International Studies. (Comparative Religion has its own program.) It is intended for students with the capability and commitment required to pursue an in-depth research project. The heart of the program is the honors thesis, to be completed during the senior year. Taking honors courses does not affect major requirements except for those students in the International Studies Program.* Students in other programs who attempt the honors curriculum will take their honors courses as electives.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
An overall GPA of at least 3.30 and a GPA in the major of at least 3.50.

ADMISSION PROCEDURES
Students should apply in the autumn of their junior year.
Submit the application form, a writing sample, essay, and transcripts from all colleges you have attended, to the Student Services Office in Thomson 111, all in one packet.

DEADLINE: the third Friday of autumn quarter

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
1. Junior Honors Seminar (JSIS 385), taken spring quarter. The goals of the course are to develop a thesis prospectus and select a faculty adviser for the project.
2. Senior thesis-writing seminar (JSIS 491 in autumn quarter, and optional JSIS 492 in winter quarter).
3. Honors thesis: a research project completed under the supervision of one or more professors. It should be a 50-60 page paper, based upon primary sources. Theses must be submitted by the middle of spring quarter of the senior year and are read by a committee of faculty members. If your thesis is recommended for honors, an oral defense will be scheduled for the end of May or early June.

*International Studies majors only: Normally you will take your Task Force (JSIS 495) winter of your junior year. Also, JSIS 385 (Junior Seminar) may be substituted for the required JSIS 498 (Readings in International Studies).