



JACKSON SCHOOL DEPARTMENTAL HONORS APPLICATION

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Student# _____ Email _____

UW Cumulative GPA _____ JSIS Major GPA _____ JSIS Major* _____

List the names of **two instructors** who know you from upper-level courses (300/400 level):

1. _____

2. _____

Please attach the following items to this application form:

1. A proposal (not to exceed 4 double-spaced pages) identifying a **research topic that you would like to explore in an honors thesis**. This might include a specific country or region, a canon of thought or a particular theory, a political or social phenomenon, general social science research methods, etc. Your proposal should include:
 - a. A brief discussion of the topic, how you became interested in this subject, and why you feel it is important
 - b. A research question based on a brief literature review for your proposed topic

Please note that, unlike Task Force reports, honors theses should analyze and explain social, cultural, economic, or political dynamics, but they are not designed to propose policy solutions. Note for example, the difference between these two questions: Why and how did Argentina become the first Latin American country to pass trans rights legislation? vs. What should Argentina do to resolve the high death rates among trans people? The former question resulted in a successful, analytical thesis, while the latter would not be appropriate, as it would result in a policy proposal.

2. Unofficial transcript.

******* Please submit your application online by: Friday, May 6, 2022, 5 pm *****
to Daniel Bessner dbessner@uw.edu**

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