PSYC 4891H - Honors Thesis

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Credit hours: 2

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Professional Qualifications:

Ph.D. Experimental Psychology from The Ohio University (2010)
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- Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology from Case Western Reserve University (2014)
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- Bachelor's in Psychology from Youngstown State University (2009)

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Instructor Professional Qualifications:

- Ph.D., Social Psychology, Syracuse University, NY
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Course Description

4891H. Honors Thesis. The student prepares an empirical research paper on a topic approved by an honors thesis advisor and honors thesis committee. May be repeated for a maximum of 3 s.h. in the psychology major. Prereq.: C or better in PSYC 2619, consent of thesis advisor & chair, and admission into the Honors Program. 1-2 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Optional	Peer-reviewed journals as deemed relevant to the individual thesis project		

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The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Discuss interests Conduct literature review	
8/31	Discuss interests Conduct/discuss literature review	
9/7	Discuss interests Conduct/discuss literature review	
9/14	Design study	
9/21	Design study	
9/28	Build study / Submit IRB	
10/5	Build study / Submit IRB	
10/12	Data collection	
10/19	Data collection	
10/26	Data analysis	
11/2	Data analysis	
11/9	Write thesis paper	
11/16	Write thesis paper	
11/23	Revise paper	
11/30	Revise paper	
12/7	Present Thesis Defense to Committee	

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