Departmental Courses for the Honors Capstone/Thesis

Below is a list of courses commonly used for Capstone research and/or thesis credit in various majors—commonly, not universally. Coursework is something you must discuss with your Capstone supervisor/thesis director. It varies by project, timeline, and major. Some majors below show more than one route to the maximum 9 honors hours for this component. Conversely, your Capstone may not even call for any coursework until you reach the thesis stage. This list is only a starting point for discussion with the faculty member(s) supervising your work. The form you submit to the SMBHC records your strategy and timeline; your director and department chair sign to indicate their approval and to note application (or not) of credits toward your major. The form also tells the SMBHC to award honors credit for any coursework listed.

**Accountancy**: Traditional Thesis: Accy 420 (twice), Hon 401; also consider – Bus 400, Econ 540; Accy 515, 516. Alternative Thesis: Honors students who follow the alternate route via special sections of Accy 420 will earn a maximum of 6 honors hours.

**African American Studies**: AAS 498 (twice), or Hon 401, Hon 402

**Anthropology**: Anth 541, Hon 401, Hon 402; also consider – Anth 311, 398; use of field methods courses

**Art**: Art 490 (twice), Hon 401; also consider – AH 490, Art 410, topics courses in Art and Art History; Art 491 thesis – BFA only

**Banking and Finance**: Bus 400 (twice), Hon 401; also consider – Bus 500, Fin 531, specialized 400- and 500-level courses

**Biochemistry**: Chem 351 (twice); Chem 463 (twice)

**Biology**: Bisc 491, 492; Hon 401 (or Bisc 493)

**Chemical Engineering**: Ch E 407, 408; also consider – Ch E 513

**Chemistry**: Chem 351 (twice); Chem 463 (twice)

**Chinese**: Chin 399 (twice), Hon 401, Hon 402; also consider – Chin 398, 400- and 500-level courses, including abroad
Civil Engineering:  C E 497, Hon 401; also Engr 596 (twice), 597 (twice); also consider C E 455, 456

Classics:  Clc 325; Hon 401, Hon 402; also consider – Clc 305; 500-level topics; topics abroad

Communication Sciences & Disorders:  CSD 499 (up to 3 times); also consider CSD 531 or Hon 401

Computer Science:  Csci 487 for thesis; research credit dependent on focus of thesis. Also consider – Csci 490, Engr 596, Engr 597 and Engr 598

Criminal Justice:  CJ 360 (twice), Hon 401

Dietetics and Nutrition:  NHM 493 (twice), Hon 401; also consider – NHM 593, NHM 401, 402

Economics:  Econ 490, 491; Hon 401

Electrical Engineering:  El E 357, 358; El E 461, 462; El E 521, 522 (twice each); also consider – co-op; Engr 596, 597, 598

Elementary Education:  Edci 353 or Hon 301, Hon 401, Hon 402; also consider – 400- and 500-level specialized courses

English:  Eng 496, 499 (twice); also consider – ENG 502 (twice), advanced writing, 400-level seminar; 300- and 500-level topics

English Education:  Edci 353 or Hon 301, Hon 401, 402; also consider – Edse 400

Exercise Science:  ES 490 (twice), Hon 401; also consider – ES 473 practicum, ES 493 internship

Forensic Chemistry:  Chem 351 (twice), 463 (twice)

French:  Fr 399, Fr 599

Geological Engineering:  G E 490, Hon 401; also consider – field studies, 500-level coursework

Gender Studies:  G St 399, Hon 401; also consider G St 498, 499, 599

Geology:  G E 490, Hon 401; also consider – 400-level field studies; advanced specialized courses
History: His 401, 402, Hon 401; also consider – His 399, 400; 400- and 500-level seminars, including abroad (His 401, 402 fulfill research seminar requirement)

Integrated Marketing Communications: IMC 509 (twice), IMC 580 (twice); also consider – IMC 351, 252, 353; internship

Intelligence and Security Studies: ISS 499, Hon 401, Hon 402

International Studies: Inst 421, 422; also consider — Inst 411, 412, 413, 414, 415

Journalism: 300-level topics in Journalism/IMC; Hon 401, 402; also consider for research – Jour 577, 580, 599; magazine concentration: Jour 401, Jour 501

Liberal Studies: research/thesis courses in minor, or Hon 301, 401, 402

Linguistics: Ling 499, Hon 401, Hon 402

Management: Bus 400 (twice), Hon 401 (credit usually counts as business electives)

Managerial Finance: Bus 400 (twice), Hon 401 (credit usually counts as business electives); also consider – Bus 500, Econ 540

Marketing: Bus 400 (twice), Hon 401 (credit usually counts as business electives); also consider – Bus 500

Mathematics: Math 397, Math 597 or Hon 401; also consider – advanced coursework in special field, including Math 587, 598, 599

Mathematics Education: Edci 353 or Hon 301, Hon 401, Hon 402; also consider – MAT 545

Mechanical Engineering: ME 417, 418, Hon 401; also consider – ME 521, 522; ME 523, 524

Music: Mus 330 (twice), Mus 497, Hon 401; also consider – upper-level performance courses, Mus 530 Problems in Music Education

Neuroscience: Neu 491, 492, 493; HON 401

Nursing: N 428, 499 (twice) (available at UMMC)

Pharmaceutical Sciences: 500-level problems courses in any area, e.g., Phcl 541, 542 (or 500-level problems courses in Phcg, Phad, Medc, etc.); research/thesis may also be in other science areas – e.g., chemistry, biology
Philosophy: Phil 490 (twice), Hon 401; also consider for research – Phil 395, 399 topics, topics abroad

Physics: Phys 463, 464; Hon 401; also consider – 500-level topics, research courses

Political Science: Pol 490, 491 (twice); also consider for research – Pol 390, 398, 399, 500-level research, topics

Psychology: Psy 405, 420 (twice)

Public Policy Leadership: PPL 401, 402, 403; also consider – PPL 490, 400-level topics

Religious Studies: Rel 490 (twice), Hon 401

Social Work: SW 459, 460; Hon 401; also consider – SW 498 topics courses; internship

Sociology: SOC 451 (twice), 552

Southern Studies: Hon 401, 402; also consider – S St 401, 402, 597, 598, 599

Spanish: Span 399, Span 599

Theatre Arts: specialized theatre arts courses including Thea 300- and 400-level performance coursework, and Hon 401; also consider Thea 498 (twice)