

**FORM A: PROPOSAL FORM**

Submit To:  
Fulbright College Honors Program—Old Main 525 or email to  
arschnrs@uark.edu

Deadline:  
March 1, 2025 for Spring and Summer 2026 graduation  
October 1, 2025 for Fall 2026 graduation

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ University ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:     Departmental Honors            OR             College Honors

Department/Major in which you are writing your honors thesis: \_\_\_\_\_

Term of Defense

- Spring 2026
- Summer 2026
- Fall 2026

Term of Graduation

- Spring 2026
- Summer 2026
- Fall 2026
- Spring 2027

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

*Honors Thesis Director*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I have directed a thesis at the University of Arkansas.

I have not directed a thesis at the University of Arkansas.

\*Note: Submit your honors thesis proposal with this form. Include your name and student ID number on your thesis proposal

\*\*Note: If your honors thesis qualifies for a service learning designation on your transcript, please contact the Service Learning Initiative at [svclrn01@uark.edu](mailto:svclrn01@uark.edu).

I understand that I must meet the minimum criteria in each area—grade point average (GPA), honors hours, and thesis defense score—to receive the respective level.

Level	GPA	Honors Hours	Thesis Defense Score (out of possible 9.00)
Summa Cum Laude	3.90	24	6.50
Magna Cum Laude	3.70	18	3.50
Cum Laude	3.50	12	1.00

I understand that the cumulative GPA from the semester before my semester of graduation will be used in determining my GPA. For example, the GPA at the close of the Fall semester will be used for Spring graduates, since the Honors Council must determine the student's distinction before final grades have been submitted in the Spring.

I understand that I must submit my honors thesis to my honors thesis director at least two weeks prior to my honors thesis defense date to make the appropriate corrections before submitting my honors thesis to my honors thesis committee.

I understand that I must print a copy of my honors thesis for all committee members including my assigned Fulbright College Honors Program Council Representative (HCR) at least one week prior to the defense date. I understand that if I fail to submit a printed thesis one week prior to the deadline I will not be allowed to defend and will be required to postpone graduation to the following term or drop honors.

I understand that a missed deadline for my honors thesis proposal form (Form A), my honors thesis committee form (Form B), my honors thesis defense form (Form C), or submitting my honors thesis to my honors thesis director and honors thesis committee, will result in the postponement of the thesis defense and/or graduation.

I understand that if I am a Summer graduate and defender, the Fulbright College Honors Program office will provide me with the Cum Laude stole and medallion, should I choose to walk in the Spring University Commencement exercises. If my level after my summer defense is deemed to be Magna Cum Laude or Summa Cum Laude, the Fulbright College Honors Program office will exchange my regalia for the higher level.

I understand that as a College Honors student if I do not complete my thesis and drop honors I must complete the non-honors core checklist to meet graduation requirements.

I understand that if I want an honors distinction in multiple majors I must produce a separate thesis for each Department. For those students pursuing a major with an area study (AAST, AIST, LALS, and MEST), you will receive honors for both your major and the area study. For example, the degree may read Honors Bachelor of Arts in International Studies/Middle Eastern Studies.

I understand that if I am pursuing a combined major, such as JOUR/PLSC, I must choose one Department to pursue thesis work, or write a thesis for each Department of study with a separate committee for both.

**I have read the above information and agree to comply with all policies set forth in this document. I understand that my Honors Thesis Defense will be postponed if I do not follow these procedures. In cases where postponement will entail selecting a new Honors Thesis Defense date that falls after the deadline to defend within a particular term, graduation will be deferred to the following term.**

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Signature

Date