Thesis Preparation Process

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Complete by	Third Year Tasks
September	Prepare a place to keep notes about your ideas, articles, potential professors, etc. Meet with honors advisor for early registration approval review.
September	Brainstorm topics and ideas. Talk with faculty members. Make initial notes regarding your topic. Explore journal articles.
October	Fine tune your thesis topic ideas. Ask faculty members to be your thesis advisor. Continue to gather data regarding your project idea.
October	Meet honors advisor again if needed. Meet with your major advisor to discuss spring classes. Look at the Spring schedule and plan for your spring classes.
Early November	Sign up for spring classes. Let Honors advisor know if you're still struggling to decide on a topic or find an advisor.
November	Submit completed UH 4900 enrollment form to Honors College by the end of November.
December	Utilize the winter break to start on your proposal. Think about methodology and timeline.
January	Meet with your thesis advisor during the first week of classes to go over the work you've done so far and make a plan to complete your proposal. Go to the UH 4900 information session (scheduled during the first week of class).
February	Finalize proposal, revise as needed, give your advisor a chance for final approvals.
Mid-February	Turn in thesis proposal to Honors College
March	Have thesis proposal meeting. Make revisions if necessary. Continue to meet with your thesis advisor on a regular basis. Meet with honors advisor if necessary. Meet with your major advisor too.
April	Sign up for Summer/Fall classes. Turn in revised proposal. Continue to meet with your thesis advisor on a regular basis. Sign up for UH 4950.
Summer	Utilize the summer to work on your thesis.
Fall	Continue to meet with your thesis advisor on a regular basis. Work through your timeline for your project. Final thesis will be due around the end of October.
November/December	Thesis Defense. Make final revisions if necessary. Come to Honors College to get special paper for printing your final thesis. Print thesis on special paper, obtain signatures, bring copies back to Honors College for binding. Review remaining honors requirements with honors advisor. Make sure graduation paperwork is in order