

Application for the Honors Program in English Literature

(ENGLISH 398-1, 398-2)

Application deadline: Friday, May 8, 2026
5:00pm

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Instructions:

Please make a single PDF document that includes the following required components:

- This application document;
- Your 1-2 page thesis proposal (see below);
- A copy of your unofficial transcript from CAESAR;
- A clean (uncommented-on) copy of one of your best academic papers written for an English Department course (or a non-English course taught by an English faculty member), ideally between 5-10 pages. (You may submit your English 397 paper, which may exceed this limit, if desired.)

Questions about the application may be addressed to Prof. Soni as 2025-26 Honors Coordinator, or Prof. Masten as Director of Undergraduate Studies for literature.

The Proposal:

Write a proposal of no more than two double-spaced pages, excluding bibliography. Describe, as specifically as possible, the topic of your proposed honors project, answering the question “What would you like to analyze, investigate, or research?” You may also include a brief discussion of the approach you’d like to take to your topic. Include a bibliography of primary texts and/or writers to be studied and any other relevant reading you’ve done on your topic. If you have already worked on this topic in a course (e.g., written a paper or made a presentation), write briefly about what you have done.

Information:

Full Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Email Address: _____

Major(s)/Minor(s): _____

GPA in the Literature Major: _____

Cumulative GPA, all courses: _____

English Dept. Faculty Advisor
for this project: _____

Signature of Faculty Advisor:

When did you take ENGLISH 397-0, the Research Seminar?

Term: _____ Course Title: _____

Please list all of the English courses you have taken below, including any in progress.

Course Number	Course Title	Professor	Quarter/ Term	Grade Earned