



INDEPENDENT STUDY LEARNING CONTRACT

BSPH in Environmental Health Sciences

Students must complete this form and gain approval before they can be enrolled in ENVR 691H and ENVR 692H. This form must be [submitted here](#) no later than the first day of class for a semester. **A Learning contract must be submitted each semester a student is enrolled in these Honors courses.** Students are encouraged to begin a conversation with their faculty mentor about an honors project prior to the end of their junior year. Contracts will generally be reviewed within a week of receipt during the semester. If approved, the ESE Academic Coordinator will register students and email them to confirm approval. **Note:** If edits or changes are needed, students will be notified and asked to resubmit within one week.

Before uploading this contract, please save with the following naming convention.
To be reviewed the document must be labeled correctly.
Last Name, First Name – Course Number – Year – Semester

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: UNC Email: Major: Cumulative GPA:	PID: Current Year in BSPH: First Second GPA from Last semester:
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COURSE INFORMATION

Semester: Fall Spring	Year: 	Credit Hours: 3 <i>*Initial to confirmed the credit hours listed here match student's registration</i>
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SELECT THE COURSE YOU ARE ENROLLED IN:

ENVR 691H. Honors Research (3 cr)

ENVR 692H. Honors Thesis (3 cr)

INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD/HONORS THESIS ADVISOR

Name:	Email:
If not ESE Faculty, please provide title:	
Affiliation:	
FERPA certified:	Yes No <i>If not FERPA certified, please contact estudentservices@unc.edu</i>
IRB Approval Needed:	
Director of Undergraduate Studies:	
<i>If thesis advisor is not ESE faculty, the ESE Director of Undergraduate will serve as official instructor of record.</i>	

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

This contract is equivalent to a course syllabus and should provide a detailed list of work to be conducted over the semester and associated deliverables. This is considered a contract between the instructor (mentor) and the student and should be created collaboratively. Because the honors thesis is a yearlong project, it is important to think about the work that will be conducted/completed over two semesters. The contract should also include a description of the key deliverables that will be used to determine the final grade. Please also include a detailed timeline. Deviations from this contract should be updated and documented to the extent possible by the instructor and student. Students are expected to devote at least three hours of independent work per week for each unit of credit (e.g., 9 hours/week if 3 credit hours).

1. Assessment (e.g., % of course grade based on each requirement) including final examination (or alternate format):

additional space, if needed.

INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD AND STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES: I have read the requirements expected of the instructor, agree to undertake these responsibilities, and will abide by the Honor Code's responsibilities of faculty.

Instructor _____ Date _____

I have read the requirements expected of the student, agree to undertake these responsibilities, and will abide by the Honor Code's responsibilities of students.

Student _____ Date _____

INDEPENDENT STUDY COORDINATOR

This application for Independent Study has been reviewed. The proposal is:

APPROVED AS IS

NOT APPROVED (provide rationale)

Rationale:

Independent Study Coordinator/Director of Undergraduate Studies

Date

IMPORTANT: If the student's cumulative GPA is less than 3.300, the departmental honors advisor must contact the Assistant Dean for Honors Carolina IN ADVANCE of completing any course registration to request probationary status for the student to begin the first half of the thesis project. There is no probationary consideration for students entering the second half of the thesis project.

Senior thesis advisors are restricted to no more than two students per semester.