

## Declaration Application for Honors in CoPsy

Submit to: [copsy\\_honors@brown.edu](mailto:copsy_honors@brown.edu)

If you are planning on graduating with honors, please fill out the following form by the deadline listed on the Honors website. Honors theses must be pertinent and related to your concentration.

Honors students in Cognitive Science, Cognitive Neuroscience, and Psychology must take CLPS1980 in conjunction with their honors' thesis research each term during this academic year. Behavioral Decision Sciences honors students must take CLPS1960 and CLPS1980 (or a comparable independent study course).

Only Brown faculty members at a Professorial rank (Professor, Teaching Professor, Research Professor, or Professor of the Practice) at any level (assistant, associate, full) may sponsor. Clinical Professors, instructors, post-doctoral research associates, adjunct faculty and faculty from other institutions are not eligible to act as sponsors.

If your faculty sponsor does not have a faculty appointment in CoPsy (they are not listed under [CoPsy Faculty or Secondary Faculty](#)):

- The honors advisor must approve your proposed project's relevance to your concentration.
- The Department Undergraduate Curriculum Committee must approve your choice of thesis advisor

It is strongly recommended that you submit well ahead of the deadline to allow time for these approvals.

After you submit this application, the honors advisor will review your research proposal and your academic record to make sure you have completed the requirements for admission to the honors program. You will receive an email from the honors advisor to let you know all is in order for you to do honors.

### Student Section:

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Concentration Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the proposed thesis topic or working title of your research project? \_\_\_\_\_

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Thesis Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor Department affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor email: \_\_\_\_\_

- *If your thesis advisor is a non-CoPsy faculty include their CV with this application.*
- *If your thesis advisor is a non-CoPsy faculty the honors advisor must approve your thesis topic as appropriate to your concentration.*

Second Reader: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reader Department affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reader email: \_\_\_\_\_

- *If your thesis advisor is not CoPsy faculty then your second reader must be CoPsy faculty*
- *If your thesis advisor is CoPsy faculty then a second reader from CoPsy is preferred. Faculty from another department may serve as second readers with approval from the honors advisor.*

List the name, course code, and semester taken for required courses:

1. Statistics course \_\_\_\_\_

2. Research Design & Methods/Lab course \_\_\_\_\_

Write a paragraph describing the goals for your thesis project: outlining the rational for the study, the specific research question and hypotheses, and methodological approach.

**Student signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Faculty Sponsor Section:**

Please read through the guidelines for faculty sponsors linked on the CoPsy honors website. Students can be expected to devote from 10-20 hours per week on the project during the school year (13-14 hours a week on average). Sponsors are expected to be available for regularly scheduled meetings with the student to review work and analyze progress. Students are expected to be intellectually involved in original research, with expectations appropriate for their level of experience.

Describe your role in the project and the role that you propose for the student. How often will you meet with the student and in what format (individual or group meetings)? Will other members of your group participate in this project or assist in supervising the student? What resources are available in your laboratory or research group to support the student's project to completion?

What is the grading scheme for this project? What are the expectations for the student in the lab on a weekly basis and per semester? How will the student's grade per semester be determined (e.g., lab duties, hours log reviewed weekly, literature review or other written work, in lab presentation(s)):

**Faculty Sponsor's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_