

## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO REGISTER FOR HONORS RESEARCH 491

**Biology Honors students are required to complete 6 hours of Honors 491 Research. To receive Biology Honors credit you must use this form to register for Honors 491 hours. Forms will only be accepted under the following conditions:**

1. This form must be submitted **before the first class day of the semester**.
2. To receive Honors credit this form must be submitted **directly to Dr. Ryan** (BSBW 435D).
3. This form must state how the planned research qualifies for **Honors** credit.
4. Honors 491 credit is only available in the summer for 10-week sessions.

**Once approved by Dr. Ryan the Biology Advising Office will register students for 491-HNR during open registration.** Additional completion of a LAUNCH Honors Independent Study application may be required if registering for Honors 491 credit in a department other than Biology.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UIN: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

TAMU Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Classification: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_

I request that I be enrolled in

Number of credit hours: \_\_\_\_\_ of BIOL 491-HNR for Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Semester:      Fall          Spring          Summer 10 week

**All 491-HNR students must complete laboratory safety training before beginning research.** There are two parts to training:

- Part I: Online Environmental Health and Safety training. Proof of completion must accompany this form every semester before you can register.
- Part II: Lab Specific, is completed with your research supervisor in your lab. This form must be turned in by the 10th class day the first semester of research. Students returning to the same lab do not need to repeat the training.

**NO CREDIT or grade will be given unless both safety forms are signed and returned. Printed names and UIN must be legible on all forms.**

**Writing requirement:** At the end of each semester, every BIOL 491-HNR student is expected to submit a written report that is first reviewed by their faculty mentor. This requirement does **NOT** make BIOL 491-HNR a writing intensive course. There are multiple options for completing the writing requirement:

- Option 1: Research Summary
- Option 2: Oral or Poster Presentation at scientific meeting
- Option 3: Poster Presentation for Biology's poster competition (Spring only)
- Option 4: Final BIOL 495 or 491W manuscript
- Option 5: Research Scholar's Thesis
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**Circle the writing option you plan on completing.** Details for each of these options can be found on [Biology's Undergraduate Research Page](#). You can decide to change your option at any time. Submissions for graduating seniors will be due the day after finals. For all other students, reports are due the first Monday following finals week.

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**Please include a brief description of the proposed project:**

**To qualify for Honors credit this 491 project must include additional Honors expectations (e.g., presentations, writing assignments, resource development, scholarship applications, lab leadership activities) exceeding those for non-Honors 491s. What additional activities will you complete to qualify this as an Honors 491 experience?**

**Checklist**

**YES NO**

Have you attached a completed safety form with certificate from EH&S?

Have you turned in a Lab Specific training form in the past?

Have you indicated your writing choice?

\_\_\_\_\_ Student's Signature

Supervising Professor \_\_\_\_\_  
Print

Supervising Professor \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Supervising Professors E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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

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**Honors Approval:** \_\_\_\_\_

BIOL 491-HNR section:

Hours:

Elective:

GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Major GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Student Contacted (date/initial)

How