UNDERGRADUATE HONORS THESIS
DEADLINE: June 4th, 2020

THE PROGRAM

This program is designed to assist students in developing their analytical skills required to think clearly and coherently about economic matters and to apply their skill and knowledge effectively. It gives students the opportunity to get involved in academic research over the course of two quarters.

An honors thesis is an original, independent research project undertaken with the guidance of a faculty mentor and culminating in a research paper.

The program is especially effective for students who:
• want to develop research and writing skills for work in a wide variety of business related fields and careers
• plan to study at the graduate level

APPLICATION

In order to apply to the program, students must meet the following requirements:
• Major in Managerial Economics
• Senior standing
• A minimum 3.5 GPA
• ARE 100B
• ARE 106 (may be taken concurrently)
• ARE 155 (may be taken concurrently)

Students interested in applying must:
• choose a general area of research
• develop a preliminary research idea

CURRICULUM

Students will be matched with potential faculty advisors based on their expressed interests during the spring quarter.

Spring quarter:
• Contact thesis coordinator
Fall quarter:
• ARE 194 HA
• Submit final research question to faculty advisor by 10th day of quarter
• Attend honors student coffee hour
Winter quarter:
• ARE 194 HB
• Submit final thesis to faculty advisor by end of quarter
• Present research at department brown bag

Students are also encouraged to present at the UC Davis undergraduate research conference (https://urc.ucdavis.edu/conference/).