

HONR4001 Honours Project Guidelines for Academics (For Advisor and Co-Advisor)

- Honours Project is an individual project to be completed by each Year 4 Honours College student in his/her area of discipline, although interdisciplinary study is also permitted.
- The topic should be on a real-life problem or with practical applications in the student's discipline of study under the supervision of a faculty advisor in the student's respective field of study.
- If the research topic is interdisciplinary, a co-advisor can be invited where appropriate.
- The topic should be determined after discussions between the student and the advisor(s), and approved by the advisor(s).
- Although formal enrollment is for the 2nd semester, each student will start to find advisor(s), discuss on the potential research topics, finding the co-advisor if applicable, and perform preliminary preparation in the 1st semester.
- The student is expected to work on the project for the whole academic year.
- The advisor and co-advisor will share equal supervision and responsibility.
- The deliverables are (1) an Abstract (2) a Poster and (3) a Project Report, to be submitted in the enrolled semester.
- Grading is determined by the/both advisor(s) according to:
 - the overall performance throughout the process,
 - the final report, and
 - the symposium presentation.
- The student must take initiatives to consult the advisor(s) regularly.
- The contribution of supervision is counted as teaching service.
- The report and abstract should be written in English except for the following bachelor's degree programmes:

Faculty	Applicable programmes
FAH	Bachelor of Arts in Portuguese Studies
FED	Bachelor of Education in Secondary Education - Chinese
FLL	Bachelor of Law in Chinese Language (Daytime and Evening)

The student need to apply for special approval for any special cases or limitations.

- Regarding **research ethics**, the course outline has stipulated that the student should comply with the **UM Research Ethics Principles** (<https://rskto.um.edu.mo/funding/ethics/>). Furthermore, the student is required to submit his/her research design, including questionnaires and methodologies, to the advisor(s) for review. The advisor(s)' consent has to be sought before any data collection begins



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to ensure ethical standards are met. The advisor(s) should monitor the project and ensure continued compliance with ethical standards throughout the project.

The **use of GenAI tools** must align with UM's core values and code of ethics. In order to enhance transparency between the student and the advisor(s) related to issues of academic integrity, the advisor(s) should indicate the permission level of the use of GenAI in conducting the Honours Project to the student during the first meeting as follows (in accordance to the UM **Guidelines on the Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence Tools**, <https://genai.um.edu.mo/>):

1. Use of GenAI is permitted within the course policy;
 2. Use of GenAI is permitted in certain circumstances or with explicit permission;
 3. Use of GenAI is prohibited.
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