Overview
In the senior year, students write a thesis or compose a project that integrates their thematic and regional concentrations. Students enroll in I-406, which is joint-listed with I-400. It is recommended that they enroll in one credit hour of INTL X-390 in the semester prior to completing I-406. Students maintain a grade point average of at least 3.5 in the major and a 3.3 overall.

Responsibilities of the Honors Thesis Director
The Honors Thesis Director:
• Meets with the student and identifies the viability of the project/thesis
• Chairs the Honors Thesis Committee that is comprised of the INTL Director of Undergraduate Studies and a third faculty who serves as the Reader
• Sets the defense date for the Honors Thesis in consultation with the student and committee members
• May guide the student in INTL-X 390, Individual Readings
  ▪ The result of INTL-X 390 could be an annotated bibliography or an outline for the proposed honors thesis (I406)
• Supervises the progression of INTL-I406, Honors Capstone
  ▪ Reviews the Introduction and Bibliography
  ▪ Comments on the Literature Review and Methodology
  ▪ Comments on the rough draft
• Assigns the grade for INTL-I406 in consultation with the International Studies Director of Undergraduate Studies and the instructor of the Capstone joint-listed course

Responsibilities of the Student
• The student identifies a tentative topic that integrates his or her International Studies thematic concentration and regional concentration
• The student creates a committee that consists of a thesis director, the International Studies Director of Undergraduate Studies, and the Reader
• The student produces a senior thesis of approximately 50 pages.
• The student comes prepared to meetings and provides the thesis director with a reasonable amount of time to review the materials before meeting.
• The student defends his or her thesis to the committee at the end of the I406 Honors Capstone class no later than December or May.
• The student earns an A- or better on the thesis to secure departmental Honors.

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