Application
Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis
The deadline for submission of the full application is Monday, April 27, 2015.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: Mr./Ms. ________________________________________________ RUID: ________________________________________

Email: _____________________________________________ Phone: ____________________________

I currently live: __on campus __ off campus ____ ___ in the NB area at home and commute.

On-Campus Building and Room: ___________________________ Campus: __________________

Off-Campus Address: ___________________________ City: ___________________ State: _____ Zip: _______

Home Address: ________________________________ City: ___________________ State: _____ Zip: _______

Research Exp: Yes   No If yes, please describe: ___________________________________________
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Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.400. The “GPA in the relevant disciplines” is based on all
the courses taken in the disciplines in which the Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis will be completed; at least 18 such
credits in those disciplines are recommended.

Cumulative GPA: ______ GPA in Relevant Disciplines: _______

An Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis is usually undertaken in the senior year. A student completing an
Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis will enroll in Honors Interdisciplinary Thesis, 01:090:495-496, each 3 credits, and
in Research Workshop, 01:090:491-492, each 1 credit. SAS Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis credit cannot be
obtained without completing two semesters of 3 credits each, 6 credits in all.

Group or joint projects with other students are not permitted.

Proposed Title of Thesis: _____________________________________________

First Advisor Name: _____________________________________ Department: _________________________

Second Advisor Name: ___________________________________ Department: _________________________

Disciplinary Clearance: A disciplinary review will be done on all students who submit a proposal.

Approval of the thesis proposal is at the discretion of the SAS Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis Committee, which
will review the proposal and the applicant’s overall academic record.

ACTION OF SAS INTERDISCIPLINARY HONORS THESIS COMMITTEE:

Accepted: ____________ Not Accepted: ______________ Committee Member

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Advisor Approvals and Student Acknowledgement

APPROVAL OF THESIS ADVISORS: I have reviewed this SAS Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis proposal, and I agree to act as thesis advisor for the project. I understand that the deadline for completion of the thesis and oral defense is Monday, April 11, 2016.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

First Advisor

Name __________________________ Signature ______________________ Faculty Title ______________________

Email __________________________ Department ______________________ Department Address ______________________

Second Advisor

Name __________________________ Signature ______________________ Faculty Title ______________________

Email __________________________ Department ______________________ Department Address ______________________

FOR LABORATORY PROJECTS ONLY

________ Check here if lab agrees to supply all necessary materials and equipment.

FOR PROJECTS INVOLVING HUMAN SUBJECTS

I understand that if my project involves interviewing, surveying, observing, sampling, or testing human subjects, I must complete the Human Subject Certification Program.

Human Subject Clearance Required? Yes _____ No _____ NA _____
Human Subject Clearance Submitted? Yes _____ No _____ NA _____
Human Subject Clearance Approved? Yes _____ No _____ NA _____

If a Human Subject Clearance is required, the student must submit the certification letter to this office by no later than Friday, September 25, 2015.

Please note that failure to acknowledge responsibility for Human Subject Clearance will result in denial of this application. It is NOT sufficient that your research mentor has received clearance – you must obtain your own certification: http://orsp.rutgers.edu/humans/hscp.php.

STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

I agree to comply with the policies of the SAS Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis. I understand that the deadline for completion of the thesis and oral defense is Monday, April 11, 2016.

Name (please print) __________________________ Signature ______________________ Date ______________________

Please initial:

_____ I understand that if I register to undertake an SAS Interdisciplinary Honors Thesis, I may not register for additional Internships, Independent Study courses, or Research credits.

_____ I intend to graduate in May 2016.
Application Checklist

All components of your application must be reviewed by your advisor(s) before you submit the following materials:

_____ Completed Cover Page

_____ Completed Advisor Approvals and Acknowledgement page, including all signatures

_____ Current full transcript, printed from Student Online Services https://sis.rutgers.edu/tags/

_____ Project Overview, a typed, double-spaced statement, a minimum of 2 pages, which describes your proposed project. The overview must include the following components:

- Statement of your thesis question
- Brief synopsis of the present state of knowledge in the area in which you will be working
- Statement of research methods
- Statement of your goals in doing the research
- Statement of how your study will contribute to the advancement of our understanding
- Statement of any preliminary work already completed

The Project Overview must be reasonably comprehensible to the non-specialist reader.

_____ Annotated Bibliography (cited in an appropriately scholarly fashion) -- This will not be your final bibliography, but will provide reviewers a sense of your general approach.

_____ If necessary, Human Subjects Review Clearance: If the project includes interviewing, surveying, observing, sampling, or testing people, you must obtain clearance from the Office of Research & Sponsored Programs (http://orsp.rutgers.edu/humans/hscp.php), via a Human Subjects Review, and you must provide a copy of the approval.

_____ Previous Research Experience: A statement of any research experience that you have had with your proposed topic or within your major/minor. Indicate if the research experience was paid, volunteer, or for credit.

_____ Personal Interest: A statement describing your personal interests that led you to undertake the research. Include what you find most interesting about the field and topic that you propose to study, and what personal goals you hope to achieve by researching this topic. If your project relates to your career interests, explain the connection.

Submit the full application packet to:

Office of Undergraduate Education, SAS
35 College Avenue
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08901

For information or questions, call 848-932-7964.

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NOTE: ONLY THOSE APPLICATIONS WHICH INCLUDE ALL NECESSARY SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS, AND ALL MATERIALS LISTED ON THE APPLICATION CHECKLIST, WILL BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE. NO APPLICATION WILL BE REVIEWED UNTIL IT IS COMPLETE.