Thesis Writing for Clark Honors College Students in PPPM

PPPM majors who are in the Clark Honors College may be able to write a thesis that will satisfy elective credits for both departments. Students are encouraged to look at the Honors College website http://honors.uoregon.edu/content/current-students for more information and to contact both an Honors College advisor and the PPPM Undergraduate Advisor. Interested students should do the following:

Freshman/Sophomore year:

1. Take HC 223H or HC 233H Honors College Humanities or Social Science Research Course.
2. Consider taking HC 408H: Thesis Orientation near end of sophomore year. This one credit course provides the student an overview of writing a thesis.

Junior year:

3. Take HC 408H - Thesis Orientation (if not already taken).
4. Take PPPM upper division courses in an area of potential interest for writing a thesis. An instructor in one of these classes is a logical candidate for a thesis advisor.
5. Find a thesis advisor in PPPM. To meet Honors College requirements, the thesis advisor must be a tenure track faculty member with the PPPM Department.
6. Spring Term of Junior year: Take HC 477H: Thesis Prospectus (2cr.) This course will help students develop a thesis topic. It is recommended you take this course 2 terms prior to the term you plan to defend your thesis (example: take HC 477H in the fall if you plan to defend your thesis in the spring).
   a. Submit a Thesis Prospectus Application Form (signed by your primary Thesis Advisor), along with a one-page outline of your thesis idea and a bibliography, to the Academic and Thesis Programs Manager in the Honors College, Mariam Jordan (mjordan@uoregon.edu), no later than 5:00pm on Friday of Week 6 the term before you intend to enroll in HC 477H.
   b. Additional Third year requirements can be found online: https://honors.uoregon.edu/sites/honors1.uoregon.edu/files/chc_thesis_process_four-year_overview.pdf.

Senior year:

7. Fill out the PPPM Individualized Study form and the PPPM Undergraduate Honors Program Thesis Approval Form in order to register for 8-9 credits of PPPM 403 Thesis in the 2-3 terms preceding graduation. These credits will count toward the required 32 PPPM elective credits. (To be eligible for PPPM Departmental Honors, the student must register for PPPM 403.)
8. Schedule a thesis defense through the Honors College.

*PPPM majors who complete a thesis and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher will qualify for PPPM Departmental Honors upon graduation. CHC students with lower GPAs will still complete a PPPM thesis, but will not receive departmental honors upon graduation.