

**Department of Political Science**  
**HONORS THESIS PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM**  
**Academic Year 2012-2013**

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Please submit the following documents to the Department of Political Science no later than **noon on Tuesday, April 23, 2012**. Juniors who are in residence should submit a hard copy of the application materials to the department office, and those who are abroad should submit the materials electronically to [Richard.Eichenberg@Tufts.edu](mailto:Richard.Eichenberg@Tufts.edu).

The application must include the following:

1. A written prospectus of no more than 5 double-spaced pages. This prospectus must clearly define the research question(s) that the thesis aims to answer; explain the theoretical and, where relevant, policy importance of the thesis; outline the plan of research (e.g., primary and secondary sources, press reports, interviews, data sources, etc.); briefly review the two or three major scholarly works that address the research question(s); and include a list of your prior coursework that is specifically relevant to the proposed thesis. ***The department expects that a senior thesis will build on substantial prior coursework.***
2. An up-to-date transcript, which you can obtain at:  
<http://www.ase.tufts.edu/sionline>.
3. The name of the political science faculty member who has agreed to serve as the principal faculty advisor for the proposed thesis. Before submitting the application, the applicant must consult with this faculty member. You are advised to choose a faculty member who is familiar with the proposed thesis and who can evaluate your academic background.

Professor/Thesis Advisor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_