Economics 496S
Honors Seminar II Research Workshop
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Perkins Link 085 (Seminar 2)

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This is the second semester of the 495-496 Honors Research Workshop Sequence. Econ 495 with a grade of B or higher is a prerequisite for this course.

General Notes:

- Follow Template provided in Sakai: put a title, your name, course, date, and page numbers on each assignment.

- Hard copy due in class. Single sided, double spaced, 12 font. Clearly indicate new material or sections that have been heavily edited since previous reviews by me.

- Upload a word doc version of your paper to Sakai Dropbox using filename based on assignment number X: LastName_Econ496_2019_AX.

- Number all equations.

- Number and provide an explanatory/descriptive title before all tables and figures.

- Use words, not variable names in tables and discussions.

- Be concise! Say only what you need to say and say it clearly. Know the purpose of each paragraph, each sentence, each word.

  *The easiest way to hide something is in a morass of other words and statements.*

STATA license for Honors Students:

1. Download Stata/SE 15 from https://public.econ.duke.edu/stata
2. Enter STATA information for AY 17-18 which is posted on our Sakai Site.
DUE DATES

January 29  A1. FULL DATA SECTION DUE (complete model setup if theory paper)

February 28  A3. FINDINGS SECTION DUE

March 28  A4. DRAFT OF FINAL THESIS DUE

1. Complete the Faculty Thesis Guide Rubric and turn in with your paper.
2. Re-review your introduction and literature review to make sure that they appropriately match the final version of your research topic.
3. Thesis should ideally be less than 30 pages excluding appendix/40 pages with appendix.

I will not return comments on drafts turned in after March 28 or greater than 50 pages (including appendix).

I will not meet with students the week that the thesis is due.

April 8  Get Primary Advisor’s permission to submit. – Online request form.

April 12  Honors thesis due - submit paper and data online and one hard copy to EcoTeach. Declare if wish to be considered for the Symposium. (No further communications with faculty about the submitted thesis – i.e. no lobbying.)

April 17  Poster Submission due online (templates and past examples on Honors website).

April 23  Honors Poster Session

April 26  Honors Research Symposium, Honors Dinner

Preliminary Results (i.e. Pass, High Pass or Fail) for the thesis will be made (but not communicated) around May 1.

Graduation with Distinction results can only be announced after the final GPAs are known for all honors students, so this occurs after final grades are submitted.

Grades:

15%  Presentations (missed presentation = -20% of this grade)
10%  Workshop Participation (unexcused absence = -5% of this grade)
10%  Dropbox Folder, Poster
65%  Thesis Assignments (-5% per day late)