

Instructions for Formatting and Submission of Economics Honors Theses

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1. You must submit your paper (in pdf form) and your data set (if non-proprietary) online at https://duke.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0VNL7HIDzQjGbtz **by 4:00pm on the due date.**
 - Thesis should be submitted in PDF format *only* and titled 'AuthorlastnameYEAR.pdf' (example: Doe2022.pdf). If multiple authors, include each last name in the title.
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2. Your thesis should ideally be no more than 50 pages (including the appendix). **Any paper greater than 60 pages (including the appendix) will not be accepted.**
3. Your thesis must follow all of the physical standards stipulated by the University Archives (<https://library.duke.edu/rubenstein/uarchives/transfer/honors-papers>). An overview and template for the first few pages of the thesis is included below.

Honors papers written for economics should use the APA (American Psychological Association) style in citing sources and documenting evidence. For details of the APA style, see <http://www.apastyle.org/>

Title page. The title page should include the following information: title; author; type of paper (in this case, "Honors thesis submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for Graduation with Distinction in Economics in Trinity College of Duke University"); Duke University; Durham, North Carolina; and the year. It should also list the faculty advisor(s)

- It is customary to acknowledge those people who have assisted and guided you in your work. An "acknowledgements" page at least should include your advisor's name.

Abstract page. The abstract should summarize the key points of your thesis, in a maximum of 100 words. After the abstract, list JEL codes and Keywords. JEL codes specify to which economic subfield a paper belongs. For example, a paper on the regulation of banks would list the general field, G (Financial Economics), and all relevant subfields, G21 (Banks) and G28 (Government Policy and Regulation). JEL Codes can be found on http://www.aeaweb.org/jel/jel_class_system.php

General guidelines:

- Pages should be numbered on the bottom right of each page, starting with the title page, but the number should be suppressed on the title page.

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Introduction

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