

Requirements for the Honors Program are:

- **A written recommendation and statement of commitment to supervise the honors project** by a Psychology Department (or related field) faculty member. In this statement, the faculty supervisor should agree to hold a supervision meeting with the student each week during both semesters of the academic year, and should describe the support that will be provided to the student – such as assistance searching for relevant professional literature, consultation on design, data analysis, and report preparation, and use of a research lab with equipment needed to conduct the project. Part-time Psychology faculty are eligible supervisors, provided that they commit to supervise for the entire academic year.
- **GPA of 3.5 in all upper-division coursework.** Include transcripts with your application. (Unofficial transcripts are acceptable.)
- **Senior standing** in the University by Fall 2009 (at least 90 units completed).
- **At least 12 units of upper division psychology** coursework completed at SFSU by Fall 2009.
- **Completion of at least one upper-division research methods and/or statistics course** with a grade of “B” or better before Fall 2009, or equivalent preparation for independent research. Applicants lacking research methods and/or statistics courses must describe their research preparation in detail.
- **A writing sample** – submit an academic paper, such as a literature review, a research proposal, or a report you’ve written for a class. *This must be a sample of your individual writing.* Group reports are not acceptable.
- **Statement of anticipated research topic**, approved by your prospective faculty supervisor. (This should be no more than one page in length. A detailed proposal will be developed as part of the fall semester’s Honors work.)

Application Checklist Have you submitted your:

- _____ completed application form
- _____ letter of support and recommendation from faculty advisor
- _____ transcript(s) documenting
 - _____ GPA of at least 3.5 in upper division coursework
 - _____ at least 90 units completed by Fall 2009
 - _____ at least 12 units of upper division psychology courses
 - _____ one upper-division stats or methods course (with B or better)
- _____ writing sample
- _____ statement of anticipated research

If you have questions about the Honors Program, please contact Dr. Amy Smith at smithae@sfsu.edu.