

HONORS SENIOR PORTFOLIO OPTION

Guidelines and Contract

Professor and Student: Please read the guidelines on the back of this sheet. This completed form must be returned to the Honors office for approval as indicated. The student will then be registered for one credit hour (HONR 40085).

_____ Semester, 20 ____

(Student's Name)

Kent State ID

(Address)

(Kent State Email address)

As described in the guidelines on the back of this sheet, this project involves the selection, editing, and preparation in final form of a collection (approximately 8-10 artifacts) of work from the past four years; and 10-15-page reflective paper that explains how each artifact contributed to the student's intellectual and/or personal growth

Signature of Student

Signature of Professor

Signature of Honors Advisor

Professor (please print)

Department Date

Dean, Honors College

Date

(Professor's email address)

This completed contract must be submitted to the Honors College by the end of the first week of classes during the semester in which the portfolio project is to be completed.

Guidelines for the Honors Senior Portfolio

The Senior Portfolio provides an opportunity for students to review their work from the past four years and to select from that work 8 -10 artifacts that provide the best evidence of meeting the following Honors College goals; academic excellence, campus and community service, global awareness, appreciation of cultural events, and personal growth.

The portfolio will consist of two parts: 1) documentation of carefully selected milestones over the last four years in the form of 8-10 artifacts (written, visual, taped, etc.) that relate to the Honors College goals listed above and (2) a reflective 10-15 page paper which integrates this collection of artifacts with the student's self-reflected observations of personal growth and development.

The student must receive written permission from an instructor under whose guidance the portfolio collection and paper will be completed (see form on reverse side). This instructor will be responsible for grading the 1-credit-hour portfolio project.

The Honors Senior Portfolio is a reflective portfolio, not a professional portfolio. The 8-10 artifacts should consist of both academic and non-academic work as follows:

- At least 3 artifacts should be work from classes or independent study projects (papers, designs, exams, etc.)
- At least 3 artifacts should be from non-classroom activities (study away, campus activity or organization, cultural event, service project, on- or off-campus job, etc.) in the form of photos, flyers, or letters from supervisors. These are meant only as examples –since each student's experience is unique, each portfolio collection will be different.

The remaining artifacts will be distributed as the student feels appropriate.

The 10-15 page reflection paper, although a highly personal essay, should be a polished piece of writing.

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