Honors Challenge Proposal

Student: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Major: ___________________________ Cumulative GPA: ________________
Previous Honors courses successfully completed: ___________________________
Course: ___________________________ Semester/Year: ________________
Instructor: ___________________________ Semester/Year: ________________

Honors courses allow students an opportunity to study the course content in more depth while utilizing higher level thinking skills. Typically, honors work involves independent scholarly research or creative activity that results in a final product. However, it can also involve exploratory learning and practical applications of concepts and skills. It is not sufficient to just increase the workload in comparison to the normal course expectations. This form will serve as an agreement between the scholar and instructor on what work will be performed to satisfy the honors component of the course.

**To be answered by the student in consultation with the instructor:**

1. Provide a description of the honors project or honors component, including the topic and how it will be approached.

   Please describe the work being required for honors in sufficient detail so that the Honors & Scholars committee can evaluate the level and depth of the work.

2. Please specify the background and preparatory work (research, methods, readings, discussion, etc.) you will perform and the resources you will use to complete your project.

3. Please describe the work product(s) (presentation, report, paper, portfolio, etc.) that will be submitted to the instructor for evaluation.

**To be answered by the instructor:**

4. Please describe how the honors project/component represents *qualitative demands* beyond those required of other students enrolled in the course and describe the benefits, opportunities, or experiences the project will provide the honors student.

5. If the honors component is replacing the standard course assignment(s), please indicate which assignment(s) is(are) being replaced and if the course grade will be calculated differently than indicated on the syllabus.
If the honors component is in addition to the assignments required in the regular section of the course, please explain how the honors component will contribute to the course grade.

Please submit this file, along with the current course syllabus, electronically from your VWC email account to jeaster@vwc.edu and copy your instructor on the email.