Middle East Studies Honors Timeline

No later than Winter term of junior year:
Meet with an MES department advisor to declare an Honors major
Narrow down your topic or project idea
Find an Honors thesis advisor relating to your area/project idea
• The advisor should be a professor within the Department of Middle East Studies; consult with the MES Student Services Assistant if you will be working with a faculty member not in MES
• Contact the MES Student Services Assistant if you would like to be assigned to an advisor, rather than finding one on your own
Put together a reading list and work with your advisor to define your thesis topic
Obtain a MIDEAST 498 Honors Proposal Form from the department office
Draft the required proposal and bibliography; revise it with your project advisor
Submit a final draft of your proposal and bibliography, with the signed MIDEAST 498 form attached, to the MES Student Services Assistant (due by May 1 of the student's junior year)
Register for 498 on Wolverine Access after receiving approval of your project and an override into a 498 section
Meet with your project advisor to create exact due dates for every part of your project within the next academic year
Within Fall term of senior year:
Conduct research for your project under the supervision of your Honors thesis advisor
Create an outline of your paper and submit it to your Honors thesis advisor (no later than week 10 of the term)
Identify, with your Honors thesis advisor, a second reader for your project (if not working with an MES advisor, the second reader must be from MES)

Request from the MES Student Services Assistant an override to re-enroll in 498 for the Winter term (no later than the last day of class in Fall term)
Within Winter term of senior year:
First full draft submitted to your Honors thesis advisor (no later than week 6 of the term) Second full draft submitted to your Honors thesis advisor (no later than week 10 of the term) Final draft submitted to your Honors project advisor and second reader (no later than week 13 of the term) Reserve on Honors reserve and driver of No Honors. Honors, Wigh Honors, or Highest Honors.
Receive an Honors recommendation of No Honors, Honors, High Honors, or Highest Honors from your project advisor and second reader; your Honors thesis advisor should email this recommendation to the MES Student Services Assistant with a PDF of your final thesis attached and the second reader copied on the message. The Student Services Assistant will report the recommendation to the Honors Program to be placed on your official transcript (by the last day of class)