

# **SCHC 497: Honors College Independent Research Course (3 Credit Hours)**

## **Faculty/Student Contract**

Upon completion, the STUDENT should upload this form on the [Independent Research Course Contract Submission page](#).

Student First Name:

Student Last Name:

Student ID (the one beginning with a letter):

Student Email:

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**The faculty member and the student should collaborate to complete this part of the form:**

Describe in detail the research question and area of interest to be pursued in this project. If pursuing creative scholarship, please describe the student's project. Also describe the significance of this project to your academic discipline.

State the activities that the student will be engaged in on a daily or weekly basis. Be specific. For instance, will the student be engaged in data analysis, literature reviews, lab tests, media production, survey development, artistic pursuits, etc.? Remember that this course has an expectation that the student will complete 150 hours, so describe these activities in detail.

How will the final grade for this independent research course be assigned? Describe the course requirements and grading criteria.

**The faculty member should complete the remainder of this form.**

Faculty First Name:

Faculty Last Name:

Faculty Email:

Campus Position:    Tenure or tenure-track faculty    Clinical faculty    Full-time instructor/lecturer  
Other (Please describe your position)

**By committing to serve as the faculty of record for this independent research course, you agree to:**

Hold a full-time teaching or research role at the University of South Carolina (Columbia campus or School of Medicine Columbia).

Provide independent research supervision and mentorship that allows the student to engage deeply with the subject matter and learn research procedures appropriate to the discipline.

Communicate and meet with the student regarding research obligations and to establish shared expectations and an appropriate timeline for completion of the research.

Oversee research and related requirements that are equivalent to a 3 credit hour class at the University of South Carolina.

Submit a course grade for the work completed.

Faculty Signature:

Date:

Questions should be directed to **Ajay Patel**, Honors College Research Coordinator, at **[ajay@email.sc.edu](mailto:ajay@email.sc.edu)**.