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The Honor Essay Project allows you to apply the skills that you have developed during your political science education to a research question of your choice. The question must be of a causal nature. That is, the papers are to be analytic, with an empirical component.

The paper should be approximately 30-40 pages. Your paper include a title page, page numbers, proper citation format (APA format)

- Review the literature that pertains to your question. Outline the key variables (independent/dependent) associated with your research question.
  - Provide statistics or other types of data if possible/applicable.
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- This is a critical element of your paper. Make sure you define all relevant variables (independent/dependent).
  - Outline your hypotheses with respect to your research question. What are the relationships among the variables? Is the relationship a positive or negative one?
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