Office Hours
Tues 2-3, Wed 10-12, or by appointment
It is very easy to schedule appointments outside of office hours with me—I am almost
always in my office during normal business hours. Just send email or talk to me before
or after class to set up an appointment.

Course Objectives and Structure
The primary objective of this seminar is to provide a framework that will lead to the
successful completion and defense of your honors thesis. Therefore, the majority of the
class time will be spent directly on this objective. You will provide regular status reports
regarding your progress on your honors research. You will submit portions of your
written thesis to me and the class to receive feedback, and provide feedback on the
writing of your classmates. You will also perform practice presentations of your research
in preparation for your oral defense, and provide feedback on the presentations of your
classmates. Because a primary goal of our seminar is to provide a setting in which
students give and receive feedback on their research and their written and verbal
presentations of that research, attendance is mandatory!

Grades
Your grade will be based on a combination of your final honors thesis document, your
oral defense, class participation, and post-defense assignments. Therefore, while your
grade will be correlated with your final honors designation, it can be improved or
damaged depending on the quality of your participation in our class activities.
Economics 4339 does not count towards economics major credit hours, but only as
elective hours toward the total Arts and Sciences hours required for graduation.
However, this course does provide you with a unique setting in which to pursue and
discuss original research with equally skilled and motivated peers.

Honors Deadlines
Tuesday, April 5: Defense copy of thesis due to honors program office
Wed, April 6: Last oral defense date
See class handout or refer to http://www.colorado.edu/honors/graduation.html for more
details
Tentative Course Schedule

Jan 11: Introduction and Descriptive Statistics
Jan 18: Draft executive summary due in class;
   Provide and receive editorial assistance and feedback during class;
   Final version due to me Friday, Jan 21
Jan 25: Individual meetings
Feb 1: Class editing of lit review
Feb 8: Class editing and mini-presentation of methods
Feb 15: Class editing of introduction
Feb 22: Class editing and mini-presentation of results
Mar 1, 8, 15: Practice presentations

Provide thesis copy to committee at least 3 days in advance of defense
Thesis copy to honors office: Tues, Apr 5

Mar 29: No Class
Apr 5: No Class
Apr 12: Discussion of Research Extensions; Final thesis copy due for course grade
Apr 19: Presentation of Published Article
Apr 26: TBA