Pittsburg State University College of Technology

Academic Honors Approval Criteria

The university requirement for an Academic Honors (AH) project indicates an additional 20-25 hours of work beyond course expectations. Approval for a College of Technology AH project will be determined based on the following criteria.*

1. If the project is a typed paper, it must abide by the following **minimum** requirements:
   a. 4,000 words in length, double-spaced
   b. 8 references, of quality academic rigor
   c. Properly formatted following current APA guidelines

2. If the project is a combination of a typed paper and a public presentation, it must abide by the following **minimum** requirements:
   a. Paper is 2500 words in length, double-spaced, with at least 8 references of quality academic rigor
   b. Paper is properly formatted following current APA guidelines
   c. Presentation is at least 15 minutes in length, presented to an actual audience (Students in the course, Department Faculty, Advisory Committee Members or another audience deemed appropriate by the supervising faculty.)

3. If the project consists of a mode of presentation other than those specified above, it must abide by the following **minimum** requirements:
   a. Content is relevant to the course
   b. Must include a presentation to the class, or another relevant audience
   c. When presented to an audience, the presentations should take at least 20-25 minutes
   d. Project must include a bibliography/credits

4. If a student seeks a to complete a project that results in an industry recognized certification, the project must meet the following **minimum** requirements:
   a. Content is relevant to the course
   b. The student and supervising faculty must agree to a statement of benefit to the class, professor, department, college or university. This must be included in the application.
   c. Must include a presentation to a relevant audience for the purpose of informing other students of the process to achieve such certifications.

*The College of Technology DAH committee reserves final judgment for acceptance/rejection of any project.