

Elliott School Senior Thesis Approval Form

Name: _____

GWid: _____

GW Email: _____

Phone: _____

Semester of Senior Thesis: ☐ Fall
(Select One)

☐ Spring

Year: 20 __ __

Faculty Advisor: _____

☐ Full-time Faculty

☐ Part-time Faculty

Department: _____

Faculty Advisor Phone: _____

Faculty Advisor Email: _____

If part-time faculty, list two courses (may be the same course) taught in the last three years at GW:

Course #: _____ Title: _____ Sem/Year _____

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Program Director Approval (for Advising Office use): _____

Senior Thesis Requirements:

- Senior Thesis projects must involve an international affairs topic. The topic may be either contemporary or historical in scope; however, if the topic is primarily historical, the student must explicitly relate their findings to some aspect of contemporary international affairs.
- The thesis must include a research question, an analytical framework, a literature review, the demonstration of original thinking, the use of primarily scholarly sources, standardized in-text, footnote, or endnote citations, and a bibliography.
- The student will use primary research and/or scholarly research for the thesis.
- The thesis must be 30 or more pages in length.
- Students must enroll in IAFF 4199 using the attached RTF Classic form attached to this form.
- The faculty advisor can be affiliated with any academic department at GW; however, they must have knowledge of the issue or topic the student will explore in the thesis. If the faculty member is part-time, they must have taught two courses at GW in the last three academic years.
- The faculty advisor has final approval on all aspects of the paper except the length. The length requirement is set by the Elliott School.
- The student and faculty advisor should set deadlines early in the semester to ensure the completion of the thesis within the appropriate time frame.
- Grades are due by the end of the semester. The deadline for the thesis will be set prior to this date so the faculty advisor has sufficient time to read and grade the work within the appropriate time frame.
- Please review GW's policies on academic integrity at <https://studentconduct.gwu.edu/academic-integrity>

For more information on the Elliott School Senior Thesis, please visit:

<http://elliott.gwu.edu/senior-thesis>

Identify the background courses and faculty that led to your interest in this topic:

Course No.	Course Title	Instructor

The thesis must be on an international affairs-related topic. To ensure your topic will satisfy the Elliott School Senior Thesis guidelines, please answer the following questions:

What is the specific issue you will address in your thesis?

What time period will you cover?

What are the relevant countries, nations, cultures, and/or international organizations that will be included in your research?

Describe the topic of your thesis in 3-4 sentences:

Please explain your proposed research methodology:

Why are your proposed methods the best way to collect data to answer your research question?

This form must be submitted to the Elliott School Office of Undergraduate Academic Advising in person or emailed to advising@gwu.edu, within the first two weeks of the selected semester. The Elliott School will register you for IAFF 4199 once your thesis topic is approved.

Student/Faculty Advisor Agreement:

I, the student, certify that I have read the ESIA guidelines for the Senior Thesis and have completed the online information session.

Student's Signature

Date

I, the Faculty Advisor, certify that I have read the ESIA guidelines for the Senior Thesis and I will follow these standards when grading the student's work.

Faculty Advisor's Signature

Date

ESIA Academic Advising Approval:

Coordinator's Signature

Date

REGISTRATION TRANSACTION FORM CLASSIC

This form must be submitted to your academic advisor or program office for approval.

SEMESTER	YEAR
<input type="checkbox"/> Fall	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Summer	_____

GWID	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	EMAIL ADDRESS

ADD

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DROP or WITHDRAW (please circle one)

CRN	SUBJECT	COURSE NUMBER	SECTION	CREDITS	TITLE

STUDENT LEVEL		
<input type="checkbox"/> UNDERGRADUATE	<input type="checkbox"/> GRADUATE	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____

I request the above action be performed.

Student Signature **Date**

TIME CONFLICT APPROVAL
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

REPEAT COURSE FOR CREDIT	
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

***GRADE MODE OPTIONS:**

A= AUDIT

C= LETTER GRADE

P= PASS/NO PASS (undergraduates only)

R= CREDIT/NO CREDIT (graduates only)

AUTHORIZED SCHOOL OFFICIAL USE ONLY	
<input type="checkbox"/> Prior to start of the semester	OR Effective Date: ____/____/____
Signature: _____	Today's Date: _____

Note: This form cannot be used to register for a class that has a waitlist. Students will be added to the waitlist and if offered a seat, must then register through GWeb.