Honors in the Major

Part 2-

Getting started

Abstract

- 1. Statement of research
 - 2. Methodology
 - 3. What you learned

Statement of Purposefirst paragraph of abstract

- 1. In no more than 4 sentences tell us what you are setting out as your research objective.
- 2. Objective voice, no artist statements, minimal personal story.
- Example: "A Graphic Interchange Format, or a Gif, is a bitmap image format that has become a prevalent media form, frequently used on social media sites. As an immunocompromised person in quarantine for the past year, I feel as though days are broken down into the same repeated actions. In this research project I will study how to create a series of GIFs and use the looping feature of GIFs to visually portray the repetition and seemingly endless cycles of my daily life during the pandemic."

METHODOLOGY – second paragraph of abstract

- The second paragraph is an objective step by step of what you did to solve the research objective.
- This would include;
- a. materials
- b. resources
- c. attempts/challenges
- d. work arounds when meeting an unanticipated challenge
- e. field trips to resources
- Faculty are sounding boards, but are not expected to solve your challenges.

Conclusion; third paragraph of abstract

- This is where you summarize what you learned
- How you will apply what you learned to future projects
- This paragraph is in your subjective voice and can include a discussion of challenges you ran into and parts of the project you enjoyed or didn't.
- You do not need to end up at the spot you initially envisioned in the research project. Research is about exploration of a hypothesis. There is a famous quote, "If we knew what we were doing, it wouldn't be research."

HiM Show

- Participation in a group show is a requirement of the HiM. If we are able to use a gallery, it will be held the week before graduation. This will just be the hanging up and display of your work. No group discussion
- We also require participation in the online group show. You and your faculty advisor will be invited to speak for 2-3 minutes, if you wish, in a zoom meeting the Friday before graduation, the Sat of the following week. You will load your Title page, abstract and image slides to the google slides and we will gather to hear your presentation. Family can also attend, but not comment.

Grades

Following the presentation, your faculty member will let me know that you have or haven't passed the HiM project. If you receive a passing grade, then I will put in final approval for the Honors Project for SAAH, CLAS, MAUI and the registrar to process for your degree.