

## Basic Outline for an Honors Thesis

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ABSTRACT \* [Page numbering start here. This is page 1. Include a Running Head (few words describing the topic) that is left justified. The page numbers are right justified.]

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CHAPTERS IN ORDER [Begin with page '2' and number each page consecutively.]

- A. Introduction [Includes statement of purpose/objectives]
- B. Background [Literature Review and Hypotheses]
- C. Methodology [Overview, Subjects, Procedure, Manipulations, Dependent Measures with Construct Reliabilities, Analyses]
- D. Results [Pretests, Manipulation Checks, Hypothesis Tests]
- E. Discussion [Interpretation of the Findings (be insightful), Limitations, Future Research]

APPENDICES [Designated as 'A', 'B', 'C', etc. Pages numbered.]

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