

PURDUE STUDENT SENATE
RESOLUTION 18-48
“Honors Contracting”

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Sponsor(s):

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Assigned to:

Recommendations:

Action(s):

President Pro Tempore: Justus Thomas

Student Senate President: Olivia Keller

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WHEREAS, Purdue has the highest percentage (26%) of courses taught by graduate teaching assistants in the United States according to U.S. News Reports in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Currently, students in the Honors College are only able to contract a class for Honors credit with a faculty member; and

WHEREAS, Students must attain at least 24 credits of honors-designated credit and complete a scholarly project to graduate with Honors; and

WHEREAS, It is often difficult for students of the Honors College to obtain these 24 credits without the process of Honors Contracting; and

WHEREAS, Allowing Graduate teaching assistants to Honors Contract a course in conjunction with approval from their course coordinator would aid in the attainment of said credits for students;

Therefore, be it RESOLVED,

that Representatives of the Purdue Student Body clearly support the action of amending the Honors Contracting Process to allow students to honors contract a course in conjunction with graduate teaching and recommend this action to the faculty of the Honors College in order to ease the process of honors contracting for the students of the Honors College and to promote a higher completion rate of the honors program.

Student Body President

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