

APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE INDEPENDENT STUDY

Eligibility:

In order to take an independent study course, the student must have:

1. Attained at least a 3.5 GPA in program coursework
2. Taken at least one graduate course with the supervising faculty member
3. Completed six (6) graduate courses with all incompletes removed
4. Taken at least one graduate course in the area of the proposed independent study.

Credit Limits

1. Students can count a maximum of three (3) credits of independent study toward the thirty credits (ten courses) required for the Master's Degree.
2. Students are permitted to do an independent study related to the topic on which their thesis will be written. However, please note: **an independent study cannot be conducted for credit the same semester as a student submits the thesis.** The thesis is submitted in lieu of a second comprehensive exam. Therefore, students cannot receive simultaneous course credit for that work.

This completed application is due to the Graduate Director **no later than the second week of the semester in which the student plans to begin work.**

Student name: _____

RUID: _____

TITLE OF PROJECT: _____

DESCRIPTION OF WORK TO BE DONE:

Please attach to this form the following information:

1. A description of the project that includes: (a) the conceptual framework of the study; (b) a description of research already completed (c) a description of the final product; (d) an outline of the proposed evaluation procedure.
2. A bibliography of primary and secondary works.
3. A schedule of readings, writings, and meetings with the faculty supervisor.
4. A list of all graduate courses taken with the faculty advisor.
5. A list of all graduate courses and final grades earned.

APPROVAL SIGNATURE:

Faculty Advisor: _____ Date: _____

THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED BY THE SECOND WEEK OF THE SEMESTER TO:

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