

# APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY

## COMM 596

Normally COMM 596 should not be used for work directly related to thesis/dissertation research and writing. 600-level credits should be used for that purpose.

One copy of this form is required. An approved copy will be returned to the student. The original will be placed in student's file in 201 Carnegie

In consultation with your proposed faculty mentor, you should include a description of the proposed study including:

- Main topic(s) to be covered
- Relevant research to be reviewed
- The primary objective of the study and its relationship to your overall program of study
- The nature of the scholarly work you are expected to do (will there be a paper/project, a detailed literature review, and experiment etc.)
- How will your work be assessed?

You must receive approval from your faculty mentor and the graduate program chair before you begin an independent study project. Once approved, you will automatically be registered. In most cases this means that you should seek approval one semester prior to the semester in which you do the work.

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*Student Name*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Student Number*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Semester of Independent Study*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

Topics of Independent Study Project:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of credits proposed for the project or course \_\_\_\_\_

Name of faculty supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Ordinarily, each independent study project or course will carry 1-3 credits at the discretion of the professor. No more than 6 credits of independent studies may be used in any student's program of study.

Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Independent Study supervisor*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Committee Chair*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Graduate Programs Chair*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date registration entered: \_\_\_\_\_