

# REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF SPECIAL TOPICS - INDEPENDENT STUDY

## STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS

THIS FORM SHOULD BE COMPLETED, INCLUDING THE REVERSE SIDE, BY THE STUDENT AND APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT **BEFORE REGISTRATION** IN THE COURSE

Special Topics are electives for M.A. and Ph.D. level students. The intent of an independent study is to pursue one-on-one work with a faculty member in order to explore topics not offered in regular coursework. While an independent study may be taken upon approval, it is not the policy of the Department to supplant regular coursework with independent study. Therefore, Independent Study is viewed as additional to the student's overall requirements in formal coursework. In some cases, it may be necessary to include Independent Study as part of the formal coursework. Such cases will be handled on an individual student basis.

RETURN TO THE OFFICE OF GRADUATE STUDENT SERVICES

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Action by Department:     Approved     Denied

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Advisor's Signature

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Director of Graduate Studies' Signature

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