APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY
COMM 596

Normally COMM 596 should not be used for work directly related to thesis 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, a 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 dean 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:

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Number of credits proposed for the project or course _____ **(Note: Each credit earned represents a commitment of 40 hours' work on the project during the 15-week semester.)**

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 SIX credits of independent studies may be used in any student's program of study.

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Independent Study supervisor

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Adviser/Chair

Approval: _____ Date: _____
Associate Dean

Date registration entered: _____

(Approval from Associate Dean needed before registration can be added to student's schedule.)

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