

GRADUATE INDEPENDENT STUDY/ GUIDED STUDY

General Information

Independent study is designed to provide a student with the opportunity to undertake intensive study in an area not covered in depth or contained in the regular curriculum.

The student should consult his or her advisor to ensure that the credits sought can be counted toward the degree program. Graduate students in programs with open electives, are generally allowed to complete one 3 credit Independent Study Course as an elective.

Securing a professor to supervise their work is the responsibility of the student. The professor's area of expertise must match the topic. For example, a professor of Finance must supervise a Finance topic.

In order to be enrolled in the course, the supervising faculty member must approve a written proposal outlining the nature of the intended study. The proposal is to be completed by the student.

1. Purpose of enrollment in Independent Study
2. Objectives of the intended study.
3. Manner in which the study will be evaluated (written paper, oral report, etc.)

A copy of the proposal and a completed form must be signed by the student's advisor, and the professor supervising the study. The final signatures can be secured by the Graduate Studies in Business Office.

Complete approval should generally be secured prior to the registration period for the semester the student enrolls in Independent Study. Overrides for graduate Independent Studies are given in the Graduate Studies in Business Office.