



# Student Proposal for Directed or Independent Study or Honors Project

An approved form is due in the Registrar's Office **by the end of the first week of the Fall or Spring terms or prior to the start of January or Summer projects**. This form serves as registration for the course credit related to the project. No additional forms are needed.

Name (Last, First, Middle)

Austin College ID #

### Type of Study

- Intermediate Directed Study - 260 course - variable credit (0.25-1.00), minimum GPA 2.00
- Advanced Directed Study - 360 course (exception - MUS 390) - variable credit (0.25-1.00), minimum GPA 2.00
- Advanced Directed Study - 460 course - variable credit (0.25-1.00), minimum GPA 2.00
- Independent Study - 490 course - on campus - supporting a major or minor - variable credit (0.25-1.00), minimum GPA 3.00. Junior or Senior Standing.
- Department Honors Project - 491 course - Departmental nomination required.
- Alternative Graduate Study - Undergraduate courses taken for graduate credit - 550 course.
- Graduate Independent Study - Must be a graduate student - 560 course.

Course (DEPT Number)

Credit Earning

Discipline in which the study is to be conducted:

Student Current Cumulative GPA

Student Major(s)

Student Minor(s)

Terms in which the study will be conducted:

Year conducted:

- Fall       January       Spring       Summer

Grading System:

Student Classification when study conducted:

- A-F       S/D/U

Title of the Proposed Study: (max. 100 characters)

Objective of the Proposed Study (max. 600 characters)

What courses have you taken to prepare you for this work?

**In the space below, address the following issues (attach additional sheets as necessary):**

- outline the proposed study
- identify the resources and materials you plan to use in this study
- estimate the amount of time you propose to devote to the study and how that time may be allocated based on this "rule of thumb" for workload and course credit allocation:
  - Earning 1 credit requires 150 hours of engaged work related to the directed/independent study. For fall or spring semester, this corresponds to 11 hours per week.
  - Earning 0.5 credit requires 75 hours of engaged work related to the directed/independent study. For fall or spring semester, this corresponds to 5.5 hours per week.
  - Earning 0.25 credit requires 37.5 hours of engaged work related to the directed/independent study. For fall or spring semester, this corresponds to 3 hours per week.

Student Signature

Date

**Faculty Sponsor Contribution:**

**Please address the following issues:**

What is the basis for the grade for this proposed study? If taken as S/D/U what is the difference between satisfactory and unsatisfactory work? If taken for a letter grade of A-F, what will make the difference between a grade of A, B, C, etc.? (max. 800 characters)

To meet course equivalency requirements for the institution, the **faculty member** sponsoring the work must attest that the following workload will be involved in this course:

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- Earning 0.5 credit requires 75 hours of engaged work related to the directed/independent study. For fall or spring semester, this corresponds to 5.5 hours per week.
- Earning 0.25 credit requires 37.5 hours of engaged work related to the directed/independent study. For fall or spring semester, this corresponds to 3 hours per week.

Faculty Supervisor (print and sign name)

Date

Mentor (print and sign name)

Date

Department Chair/Program Director (of supporting discipline)

Date

Division Dean (of supporting discipline)

Date

Graduate Program Director (if 550 or 560 course)

Date