

COM 287: INDEPENDENT STUDY

Approval Form

COURSE DESCRIPTION – Intensive work in a special area of the student's interest. Each individual project is to culminate in a comprehensive written report or examination, or creative work. Open only to students who are not on academic probation and who have demonstrated an ability to profit from independent study. Maximum of 6 hours may be applied toward graduation.

PROJECT EXAMPLES - Historical research, original research, creative work, curriculum evaluation, pedogeological analysis, professional project, etc.

PREREQUISITES - Project approval by school director and instructor prior to registration. Requires 2.0 minimum major and cumulative GPA for communication majors and 2.50 minimum GPA for others.

HOW DO I REGISTER FOR AN INDEPENDENT STUDY?

Step 1: Determine which communication faculty member you would like to work with and contact for approval

Step 2: Meet with the faculty member to discuss project ideas and credit hour options

Step 3: Complete the below form *with* your faculty member

Step 4: Secure student and faculty member signatures

Step 5: Send the completed form to your assigned academic advisor

PROJECT DETAILS

Semester: _____ Year: _____

Name: _____ UID#: _____ - _____ - _____

Phone: _____ ISU Email: _____

Faculty Member: _____ Credit hours to be earned (1-6): _____

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In 2-3 sentences, describe your project.

KNOWLEDGE OBJECTIVES

List the new knowledge student will gain from this experience. What theories, concepts, or other types of information will be expected for the student to learn? How will this experience benefit the student in terms of their specific knowledge gained?

PRACTICAL OBJECTIVES

List new skills or actions the student will be able to perform upon completion of the independent study. What specifically will the student be able to do as a result of completing this independent study?

SCHOLARLY OUTCOMES

Identify the academic product the student will produce as a result of the independent study. The final product should reflect the number of credit hours earned as agreed upon by the faculty member.

The objectives and outcomes have been clearly indicated and this project meets the academic rigor equivalent to a class:

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Faculty Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Advisor Use Only:

Permit Entered _____

Student Contacted _____

Class: COM 287, section _____