Directed Readings, Special Studies, Independent Lab Research Request

Definitions:
Directed Readings—Course in which students meet with a faculty member to discuss, analyze, and interpret a set of agreed-upon texts in a given field of study.
Special Studies—Student works closely with a mentor in the areas of performance, studio, and production.
Independent Lab Research—Student participates in a faculty member's research.

Please circle appropriate designation for this request: DR SS ILR

Students pursuing any of the above should have a minimum GPA of 3.5 in their major. The proposal course of study may not duplicate or reflect content of regularly offered courses. The work should reflect the intellectual challenge, intensity, and time commitment reflected in the number of credit hours awarded. The Department will normally limit to three the number of Directed Readings, Special Studies, or Lab Research classes that may fulfill the requirements of the major.

Role of Faculty Mentor—To assist in developing a specific timetable for consultation and submission or presentation of student work; to advise the student on possible avenues of information to help the student develop a specific timeline for consultations and submission or presentation of work; to provide feedback on a regular basis; to suggest and facilitate contact with other faculty or access to assist student; other convivial services.

I agree to direct the work of ____________________________ (student's name)

in ____________________________ (title of Directed Reading, Special Studies, Lab Research)

for ____________________________ in the ____________________________ term.

I certify that I have been given adequate opportunity

Directing Faculty Signature ____________________________ Name (please print) ____________________________ Date ____________________________

Approved by: ____________________________ For ____________________________ ____________________________ Department/Office

Undergraduate Dean Signature ____________________________ Name (please print) ____________________________ Date ____________________________

A syllabus and proposed schedule of meetings and deadlines for completion of work must be attached to this form for dean's approval.