

## APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY

The student is to complete the following information in consultation with the faculty member who will be directing the study. There is an \$80 per credit hour fee for independent study in addition to the regular tuition charges.

Please check one of the following course numbers that corresponds with the disciplines listed.

Check one	Course Number	Course Name
	IND 230	Independent Study: Church Leadership
	IND 231	Independent Study: Church and Society
	IND 232	Independent Study: Religious Education
	IND 233	Independent Study: Denominational Study
	IND 234	Independent Study: Ethics
	IND 235	Independent Study: Evangelism
	IND 236	Independent Study: Engaging World Rel
	IND 237	Independent Study: Hebrew Bible Studies
	IND 238	Independent Study: Historical Studies
	IND 239	Independent Study: Health and Welfare
	IND 240	Independent Study: Immersion
	IND 241	Independent Study: New Testament Studies
	IND 242	Independent Study: Pastoral Care
	IND 243	Independent Study: Preaching
	IND 244	Independent Study: Theological Studies
	IND 245	Independent Study: Worship

Topic for the independent study: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of credit hours: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year and term for registration: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of credit hours of independent study already completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach the following documentation:

- Description of the scope and content of the proposed independent study
- Specific means of accountability (e.g., papers, reports, project, reading)
- Proposed dates for consultation between student and faculty director

THE STUDENT IS TO RETURN THIS FORM TO THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE AFTER ALL THE SIGNATURES HAVE BEEN SECURED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Print student's name

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 Student's signature

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 Date

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 Independent study faculty's approval

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 Date

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 Advisor's approval

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 Date

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 Academic Dean's approval

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 Date

## GUIDELINES FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY

An independent study is initiated by a student in consultation with a faculty member. The purpose of an independent study is further exploration of a given subject area with guidance provided by a faculty member. At least 4 hours consultation with faculty per credit hour is expected. The student and faculty member develop a plan for a one- or two-hour independent study and record the plan on the form provided by the Registrar.

Independent studies require a large degree of flexibility depending on the subject matter, the student's needs and abilities, and the professor's time and creativity.

General course guidelines for graduate work

- 1 hour in class - 3 hours outside of class
- 15-30 pages reading/credit hour/week (14 weeks)
- 7-10 pages of written work/credit hour

### EXAMPLES:

1 hour independent study = 14 hours (in-class time) and 42 hours (outside-class time)

- 56 hours total work expected
- 210-420 pages reading
- 7-10 pages written work

If the instructor meets with the student every other week for one hour (7 hours in-class), then 49 hours (42 + 7) of outside class work would be required. Reading assignments or amount of written work could be increased.

2 hour independent study = 28 hours (in-class time) and 84 hours (outside-class time)

- 112 hours total work expected
- 420-840 pages reading
- 14-20 pages written work

If the instructor meets with the student during four two-hour time slots (8 in-class hrs), then an additional 20 hours of outside-class work would be required (84 + 20 = 104 total outside hours). Other activities such as interviewing persons or visiting sites related to the subject matter could be included.