

Student Name _____ Student ID Number _____

Mailing Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Term and Year _____ Proposed Course Title _____

Discipline _____ Course Number _____

Credits One Two Three

Instructions: The objective of an Independent Study is to involve the individual student as an initiator as well as a participant in the development of his or her educational program. The student, working with a faculty member, will select and structure an independent study project in an area of special interest. The project may involve college or community resources, or both; however, any expenses incurred by the project will be the responsibility of the student.

The student and instructor should work together to complete all sections of this form as appropriate. After completion, both the student and instructor must sign and date the form. Submit the completed form to the Dean of Instruction for approval or disapproval. If approved, the Dean will forward the form to the Registrar's Office, where the student will be enrolled in the course. Copies will be sent to the student and to the supervising instructor, and a copy will be placed in the student's file.

1. Rationale for this independent study (i.e., explain why this independent study is being requested, rather than using a regularly scheduled course):
2. Course Description:
3. Describe the scope, methods, and objectives of this independent study proposal:
4. List of background courses already completed by the student:
5. Describe how the student will be evaluated and graded (oral or written examinations, presentations of research papers, traditional letter grades or P/NC, etc.)

6. Are the Ridgewater College resources (library, equipment, etc.) adequate for the project?
Yes No If not, identify other resources to be used.

7. How often will the supervising instructor and student meet to review progress? What role will the instructor play in the process?

Instructor Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Action by Dean of Instruction:

This independent study is approved not approved.

Dean of Instruction Signature _____ Date _____

Dean's Comments: