

**Due one week before the start of block the project will be credited**

## Original Project Definition:

Students may do intensive work in close supervision of a faculty member in which the outcome is a substantial project that involves original work (e.g., research, synthesis paper, work of art, or composition). Original projects must involve NEW work. It must produce a new, creative project or create research that makes a new contribution to a field of study.

- **Credit limits:** A maximum of four credits earned in Independent Credit Bearing Courses may be counted toward the 31 credits required to graduate. Note: **credit will not be approved retroactively for any independent courses.**
- **Responsibility:** Questions? Consult the *2017-2018 Catalogue*, "Additional Academic Opportunities"
- **Grading:** Original projects are only graded *Credit/no Credit*

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Level (circle): 296 or 396 or 496 Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Term/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Prerequisite: 8 course credits? Yes No Two courses in related department? (list courses) \_\_\_\_\_

- Attach a syllabus that includes the following information:
  - A statement of **at least 250 words** explaining how the project contributes to your academic & career goals
  - Information about the location, dates, and times that the project will take place
  - A description of the method that the student will use to document their activities (e.g. paper, daily log, etc.)
  - The determination of credit for the project

**Course credit desired** (circle): 1 or ½ **Grade Option** (circle): regular grade or credit/no credit

**Block(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ or Start and End Date for Summer Projects: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please obtain signatures in the following order:**

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(my signature indicates I have read & agree to the requirements & deadlines at the top of this form)

Signature of Faculty Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please also print name) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Academic Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Department Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(My signature indicates departmental approval and that the project falls under my department's curricular jurisdiction, differs significantly from any course regularly offered by my department, and conforms to my department's policy concerning independent studies.)

International & Off-Campus Studies Approval (if Int'l) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Business Services: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Required for SUMMER projects only. Registration for Summer projects will not be processed until signed by Business Services. Drop date for refunds is 5 business days after the start date specified. After that date the grade earned will appear on the transcript.