

Student Information

Name: _____
Last
First
M.I.

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Department: _____ Degree Program: _____

PID: _____

Year: Junior Senior First Yr Second Yr Third year or beyond

Independent Study Director Information

Name: _____
Last
First
M.I.

Title: _____

Department: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Graduate students may pursue no more than 4 independent study credits during a semester, with a maximum of 6 credits over the duration of training. Faculty members are restricted to no more than two students per semester or summer session.

Course Information

Select independent study course number:

HBEH 891

Independent Study in Health Behavior (1-4 credits). A course for graduate students who wish to pursue a topic or research study in Health Behavior. To be arranged with faculty. An approved work plan is required.

Course Section Number

Term/Year: Fall _____ Spring _____ Summer _____

Credits: 1 2 3 4 5 6

Hours/wk: _____ Exam date/time: _____

Students are expected to devote at least three hours of independent study work per week for each unit of credit

Describe the plan for meeting regularly with the IS Director:

Rationale for selecting independent study director

Please provide a brief rationale for selecting the director for your independent study (e.g. her/his expertise in the topic, willingness to be your sponsor, academic advisor)

Purpose of the independent study

Please provide a brief overview of the independent study by describing its rationale and purpose (e.g., who will be involved, what will this independent study accomplish, and the public health significance of your work).

Learning Objectives

By the end of the semester, the student will:

- Objective 1 _____
- Objective 2 _____
- Objective 3 _____

Work Plan (100 words)

Please use the space below to describe how you plan to carry out your learning project. (e.g. What logical sequence will you follow? What step-by-step procedure will you develop to complete your study?)

Timeline and Key Dates

Please use the table below to list appropriate tasks and deliverables that the student will be expected to complete during the independent study.

Date	Assignment/Deliverable
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Assessment

Please describe the criteria for assessing student performance (e.g. % of course grade based on each requirement) including final examination (or alternate format).

Roles and Responsibilities

Please add to these lists as necessary:

Student

- Maintains a work schedule agreed upon with the independent study director
- Adheres to department/university standards, policies, and procedures including personal conduct, Honor Code, and attendance
- Regularly meets with the independent study director to discuss the progress of the independent study and receive support, guidance, and feedback
- Satisfactorily completes activities and deliverables outlined on the independent study learning contract

Independent Study Director

- Assists in the development of mutually agreed upon learning objectives to be achieved during the independent study
- Develops a realistic project scope and timetable with the student
- Approves the learning contract
- Meets regularly with the student to provide him/her with guidance, direction, and feedback

Agreement and Signatures

I participated in the development of this learning contract and agree to conditions specified above. If it is necessary to change any of the specified conditions, I agree to make the changes known to each of the persons whose signatures appear below.

Student Signature

Date

Independent Study Director

Date

Vice Chair for Academic Affairs

Date

Submission of Learning Contract

Date Received by Student Services:

____ / ____ / ____

Processed by:

Date Course Added by Student Services:

____ / ____ / ____