

INDEPENDENT STUDY PROPOSAL

Who should use this form?

Wharton students who wish to pursue academic interests not available in regularly offered courses.

What do I need to know about proposing an independent study?

All Independent Study Proposals must go through the Petitions Committee. For this reason, students must fill out both the "Independent Study Proposal" AND the "Petitions Form" to request enrollment in an independent study.

What are the requirements for an independent study?

Independent study courses may not be taken pass/ fail.

Only one independent study project may be completed per semester.

Students may not exceed more than two independent study projects within Wharton and two in non-Wharton departments.

A 3.4 cumulative GPA and completion of at least 24 cus are necessary to pursue an independent study.

Students should first meet with an Associate Director in the Wharton Undergraduate Division to discuss the feasibility of an independent study.

Students should then work with a standing faculty member in a related field to articulate the purpose, requirements, and syllabus of the study.

How do I submit my Independent Study Proposal?

First, meet with an Associate Director in the Wharton Undergraduate Division to discuss the feasibility of an independent study. During this meeting, you should ask about any supporting documentation that may be needed for your proposal.

Then, fill out the form on the opposite side of this paper. Please complete all parts of the form to expedite your petition decision. Please note that you must have faculty endorsement and a faculty signature on the Independent Study Proposal in order to have your proposal considered.

Finally, fill out a Petitions Form. After you have completed both the Independent Study Proposal AND the Petition Form, you can submit both forms to the front desk in the Wharton Undergraduate Division so that the Petitions Committee can consider your request at their weekly meeting.

After the Petitions Committee has its weekly meeting and considers your petition, you will be notified via email the outcome of your petition.

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Student Information

Name: _____
(Last Name) (First Name)

Dual/ Joint Degree Program Name (if applicable): _____

Penn ID: _____ Email: _____

Name of Independent Study

Course Description

Course Assignments

Include reading assignments, papers, presentations, and any other assignments. Please attach additional paper if needed.

To Be Completed By Faculty

Faculty Name (Please Print): _____

Faculty Signature: _____

Department: _____

Credit Value: _____ Course Number: _____ Term: _____