

## Policy on Independent Study Course

PIA 2097 Master Independent Study  
PIA 3097 Doctoral Independent Study

The student must have/be:

1. Completed 12 credits and all required coursework in the Master's core
2. In good academic standing (eg. Academic probation) and maintaining normal progress towards degree as defined in the Handbook of Academic Policies and Procedures for Masters and Doctoral study
3. A study or research design for the Independent Study must be agreed upon and submitted in writing by the student the faculty member supervising the project who will specify the evaluation methods to be used
4. The number of independent study credits applied to the degree program must not exceed six credits. Independent study courses are considered as elective courses; they may not be substituted for required courses

*Note: If you chose to take an Independent Study course with a faculty member in the University of Pittsburgh but outside of GSPIA, please consult your Program Director prior to doing so. If approved, the Program Director's signature must be on this form.*

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***Enrollment for this course will not be processed until this completed form has been submitted to the Office of Student Services, 3601 Posvar Hall***

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### Independent Study Form

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**To be completed by student:**

Student name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

PeopleSoft #: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty supervising (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of credits: \_\_\_\_\_

Term: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed study or research design:

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**To be completed by supervising faculty:**

I agree to supervise the above study or research proposal. The work will be evaluated as follows:

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Signature of supervising faculty: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_