Independent Study allows Theatre Arts students the opportunity to work individually with a faculty member and earn credit toward the Bachelor’s degree. Preferably, creative/research proposals focus on areas beyond those covered in the standard curriculum. Exploring a standard course offering in greater depth is also possible.

Prerequisites:

Before pursuing Independent Study in a particular area, the student will have completed the basic courses in that area. For example, a student interested in costume construction will have taken THRART 122, or a student interested in theatre history will have taken THRART 201 & 202.

Enrollment Process:

Before being enrolled in an Independent Study, the student will first complete the following steps:

1. Approach any faculty member who has expertise in the proposed area of study. Please note that a faculty member is under no obligation to direct an Independent Study.

2. Make a plan using the accompanying Theatre Arts Independent Study for Credit Application form as a guide.

3. Schedule a meeting with the prospective Independent Study Faculty Advisor to discuss the plan.

4. When the student and prospective Study Faculty Advisor have worked through the plan and are in agreement, the student will complete the accompanying Theatre Arts Independent Study for Credit Application form. Signatures of both the student and Faculty Advisor are required on the form.

5. Submit the completed application to the Department Chair who may make further suggestions on improving the proposal. Once approved and signed by the Department Chair, a copy will be made for the student and the original will be on file in the department.

6. In consultation with the Department Chair, the Independent Study will be scheduled for the semester agreed to by both the student and Faculty Advisor.
THEATRE ARTS INDEPENDENT STUDY FOR ACADEMIC CREDIT
APPLICATION

Date_____________ Semester in which course will be completed___________

Student Name:____________________________________ UMS ID#_____________

Phone:________________________ Email:____________________________________

Major(s):________________________ Minor(s):________________________

Will the Ind. Study replace a specific required course? Yes/No If yes, which course?________

Number of Credits for Independent Study: ______

Faculty Advisor:____________________ Email: ________________________________

Academic Rational for Pursuing an Independent Study:
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Project Objectives:
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Description of Project
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Expected Outcomes:

Basis/Method of Evaluation and Assessment of Outcomes:

REQUIRED SIGNATURES

Student ___________________________ Date ______________

Ind. Study Faculty Advisor ___________________________ Date ______________

Department Chair ___________________________ Date ______________