INDEPENDENT STUDY FORM

An Independent Study is not a tutorial. The student should not plan on faculty instruction, but on guidance in defining the goals and resources for the study and a final evaluation of the study. Faculty members are advised not to offer an Independent Study in place of a regular course or in any instance that could be considered an exception to regular course requirements.

Planned studies must be proposed and developed in consultation with the course supervisor and approved by the student's advisor. **A Registration Form and a complete Course Proposal must be attached to this form.**

Student name:	**Term:** □ January □ Spring □ Summer □ Fall	
Degree program: □ MDiv □ MAR □ MAMFT □ Dual	**Earned semester credit hours:** *(27 required)*	
Number of Independent Studies to date: *(maximum of 3 total for MDiv and 1 per semester)*	**Cumulative GPA:** *(3.0 required)*	
Specific title of proposed study:	**Course number:**	**Credit hours:**
Project due date [this study should coincide with the selected term]:		
Evaluation/discussion date:		
Student's signature:	**Date:**	
Supervisor's signature:	**Date:**	
Advisor's signature:	**Date:**	
Registrar's signature:	**Date:**	

Independent Study Policy

Students in the MDiv, MAMFT, and MAR degree programs may design and complete Independent Studies to make progress towards their degrees. Independent Studies may be used only for elective credits and not for required courses. Other stipulations that pertain to Independent Studies done for the MDiv, MAMFT, and MAR degrees include:

1. Maximum of three Independent Studies
2. Minimum GPA of 3.0 required
3. Minimum of 27 earned credits
4. Maximum of one Independent Study per semester

Work done in connection with preparation of a MAR thesis or fulfillment of the Core Ecclesial Traditions requirement is not counted in the maximum number of Independent Studies.

A registration form and an Independent Study form along with a course proposal must be submitted to the Registrar to register for an Independent Study. Guidelines for writing a course proposal are available from the Registrar. Registration for Independent Studies follows the same calendar as the one used for registering for other courses.

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