

DIRECTED STUDY (TUTORIAL) VS INDEPENDENT STUDY

Directed Study Course (Tutorial)

A Directed Study course or Tutorial course is designed to substitute for a traditional catalog course that is not offered in the semester for which a student wishes to enroll. The material covered is fundamentally the same as that covered in the traditional course. The credits assigned for the directed study course will be equal to the credit value of the traditional course for which it is a substitution. A Directed Study class size will not exceed three students. The Directed Study Form must be completed with approval signatures from the supervising faculty member, the department chair, and the Office of Academic Affairs.

To qualify for a Directed Study, the student must meet the following conditions:

- The course must be required for the student's major/minor
- The course will not be offered during the upcoming fall/spring semester or there is a schedule conflict between two required courses; delaying the student's degree completion.

Course is listed in campus café with catalog course # and section - DS.

Example: BI 310-DS Winter Ecology

Independent Study Course (current definition in catalog)

Independent study is designed to enable a student with demonstrated proficiency to work individually on a project or a reading program. One to four credits may be earned by independent study. Such a program should be carefully worked out by the student in consultation with the faculty member under whose direction it is to be carried out. The Independent Study Form must be completed and the project plan must be approved with signatures from the supervising faculty member, the department chair, and the Office of Academic Affairs.

To qualify for an Independent Study, the student must meet the following condition:

- Student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher

Course number is listed in campus café as IS 410 with the course title posted as the Independent study project/research.

Example: IS 410 Ind. Study: Hegel's Political Philosophy