

SMU MASTER OF LIBERAL STUDIES

INDEPENDENT STUDY CONTRACT

MLS students may earn up to 6 credit hours through Independent Study in a subject area relevant to the MLS Curriculum. Students must first complete the two required courses and must be in good academic standing to be eligible to undertake an independent study. To enroll in an Independent Study, students must work with an MLS faculty member to define specific course requirements and complete an Independent Study Contract subject to the approval of the Director and/or Dean. Independent Study courses may be taken for one, two or three credit hours. The deadline to submit proposals to the MLS office is at least two weeks before the beginning of the term for which the study is requested.

Please complete the following form, secure the appropriate signatures and return to the MLS office for review.

Student Name: _____

SMU Student ID Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Directing Professor: _____

Number of Credit Hours Expected: _____

Semester of Study: _____

Date to be Completed: _____

Topic or Title of Course: _____

Course Description: (Please describe the nature of the course and topics covered in detail)

Please describe the methods of evaluation for this study. Please be specific about the size and scope of the contribution you will make as a result of this study. For each hour of credit earned, 8-10 pages of research and writing is expected:

Reading List:

Student's Signature: _____ **Date** _____

Professor's Signature: _____ **Date** _____

Approvals:

Approved **Not Approved**

MLS Director: _____ **Date** _____

Approved **Not Approved**

Simmons Dean: _____ **Date** _____

Revisions Required: