SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WELFARE
Independent Study/Independent research
(RSSW 450, RSSW 690, RSSW 760)

The student must prepare a written proposal summarizing the intended study. As a minimum, this should indicate the objectives, nature and scope of the study; and the resources needed or to be used, their location and availability. It must also explain why an existing structured course (including seminars) cannot meet the needs of the student. The proposal must also indicate what the expected and product may be (for example, a paper, annotated bibliography, abstract, theatrical production, videotape, questionnaire, etc.). Any special or unusual time schedule should be indicated, and the proposal must be signed and approved by the student, the academic advisor and the instructor. The student should submit the signed form and any attachments to the Associate Dean’s Office. Copies of the approved agreement are to be distributed as follows: one copy to the student, one copy to the instructor, one copy to the advisor, and one copy to the student’s official folder.

This form is to be completed by each undergraduate or graduate student registering for independent study/independent research. It must be signed by the faculty member of the project, the student’s academic advisor and the Associate Dean.

This form must be completed on or before the date listed in the University Academic Calendar for adding semester courses. Students will not be permitted to enroll in independent study or independent research courses after the posted deadline.

Student Name___________________________________ Student ID______________________________

Department___________________________________  Semester_________________________

Course # and Title _______________________________________________________________________

Faculty Member ________________________________________________________________________

Proposed Project ________________________________________________________________________

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(Faculty Member Signature)  (Academic Advisor Signature)  (Associate Dean’s Signature)

Date
Guidelines to help determine what course to take:

**SSW 450 Independent Study in Social Welfare (3)**

Independent reading or research on a selected experimental, theoretical or applied problem is planned under the direction of a faculty member. Prerequisites: written permission of instructor and chair of undergraduate program. **May be repeated with different content.**

**SSW 690 Independent Study in Social Welfare (2-6)**

Specialized study designed to meet needs of social work students when no comparable organized course is offered in that area. Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and administrative approval.

**SSW 760 Independent Research In Social Welfare (3-6)**

An independent study arrangement in which the student selects, formulates, designs, and completes a social welfare project. Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and administrative approval.