**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF COMM 4900**

**PROBLEMS IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES**

Request for \_\_\_\_\_\_ hours of independent study credit in COMM 4900, with the understanding that these credit hours are payable to the Bursar’s Office.

Requesting Credit for 🞏 FALL 🞏 SPRING 🞏 SUMMER YEAR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student Preparation: GPA Overall \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Class Standing 🞏 Junior 🞏 Senior

Proposed Independent Study and its Objectives:

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 Name of Student (print) Signature of Student

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ID # Email Address Telephone Number

Address while undertaking study: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Approval:

This independent study is an integral part of the student’s total program and they undertake it with my understanding.

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 Signature of Student’s Academic Advisor

I am willing to guide the student in this independent study.

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 Faculty Director of Internship

Department Chair: Approve 🞏 Disapprove 🞏

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 Chair, Communication

**GUIDELINES FOR PROBLEMS IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES**

**(COMM 4900)**

**Catalog Description**

For advanced student who wishes to do intensive study in rhetoric, public address, or communication studies independently or in conjunction with courses regularly offered. May be repeated. Prerequisites: COMM 1020 and COMM 2010 and consent of department.

**Guidelines/Requirements**

1. Students must have:
	1. At least junior standing
	2. At least 4 COMM courses (12 hours) beyond the 1020 & 2010
	3. At least a 2.5 GPA within the COMM major requirements
2. Available for specific academic objectives not met by other courses in COMM or any other department. Work performed for COMM 4900 should be unique to the specific 4900 objectives.
3. Assumption of work spent is the same for any other course – 2 hours of research work outside of class per week for every hour spent in class. For a 3 credit 4900, the expectation of up to 9 total hours of work per week is reasonable.
4. The instructor requires periodic reports. Report must detail the data or information being gathered and explanation of writing being done. Failure to comply WILL jeopardize the grade.
5. At least 5 pages of academic writing (scholarly, documented, etc.) per credit hour are required. This minimum DOES NOT include bibliography, tables, appendices, etc. The APA or MLA style of manuscript writing shall be utilized for all papers submitted for COMM 4900 credit.
6. Incomplete grades will only be given due to prolonged hospitalization.