1. Catalog Description of the Course. [Follow accepted catalog format.]

Prefix PA  Course# 494  Title INDEPENDENT STUDY  Units (1-3)
1-3 hours independent study per week
hours blank per week
Prerequisites consent of instructor
Corequisites
Description Performing Arts faculty-supervised, advanced, in-depth study of a subject area of interest to the student.
Graded

Gen Ed  CR/NC  Repeatable for up to 6 units
Categories
Lab Fee Required  A - F  Total Completions Allowed 2
Optional (Student’s choice)  Multiple Enrollment in same semester
Title V Section 40404:  Government  US Constitution  US History

2. Mode of Instruction (Hours per Unit are set for you).

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3. Justification and Learning Objectives for the Course. (Indicate whether required or elective, the degree it pertains to, and whether it meets University Writing, and/or Language requirements) [Use as much space as necessary]

This course allows advanced students to focus on a subject area or specific topic that is of interest to them and pertinent to their course of study. Independent study will be designed to strengthen the student’s initiative, motivation, and independent learning. The student’s work will be carried out under the supervision of a faculty advisor, with a formal contract in place.

Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:
- Critically analyze texts, performances, methods and/or theories specific to the agreed-upon topic.
- Articulate a critical question to pursue through research and or performance.
- Devise an independent research- and/or performance-based project.
- Organize research- and/or performance-based findings into a final product (written, presented, or performed).
- Produce an annotated bibliography.
- Explain substantively, in writing, the results of the research and/or creative activity undertaken.

4. Is this a General Education Course  YES  NO

If Yes, indicate GE category and attach GE Criteria Form:

A (English Language, Communication, Critical Thinking)
- A-1 Oral Communication
- A-2 English Writing
- A-3 Critical Thinking

B (Mathematics, Sciences & Technology)
- B-1 Physical Sciences
- B-2 Life Sciences – Biology
5. Course Content in Outline Form. [Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary]

Varies with topic. A specific example, for a course entitled Seventeenth Century English Theatre, Beyond Shakespeare:

- Reading, analyzing, and reporting on plays by Ben Jonson, Thomas Middleton, John Fletcher, Francis Beaumont, Aphra Behn, and others.
- Reading and summarizing books and articles that theorize and historicize the plays read.
- Writing a research paper on selected plays or playwrights, or writing a script which adapts a seventeenth century play for contemporary performance, along with a written explanation of the adaptation choices.

Or, in general:

- Review of literature, performances, methods and/or theories relevant to the topic.
- Articulate a critical question to pursue through research and/or performance.
- Production of an annotated bibliography.
- Presentation (oral, written, or performed) of findings.

Does this course overlap a course offered in your academic program? YES ☐ NO ☒
If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap?

Does this course overlap a course offered in another academic area? YES ☐ NO ☒
If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap?
Signature of Academic Chair(s) of the other academic area(s) is required on the signature sheet below.

6. Cross-listed Courses (Please fill out separate description for each PREFIX)
List Cross-listed Courses

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Department responsible for staffing:

7. References. [Provide 3 - 5 references on which this course is based and/or support it.]

Varies with topic, but for the example course used above:


8. List Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.
9. **Effective Date and Frequency.**
   a. Projected semesters to be offered: Fall ☒ Spring ☒ Summer ☒
   b. First semester offered: Spring 2008

10. **New Resources Required.** YES ☒ NO ☒
    If YES, list the resources needed and obtain signatures from the appropriate programs/units on the sheet below.
    a. Computer (data processing), audio visual, broadcasting needs, other equipment)
    b. Library needs
    c. Facility/pace needs

11. **Will this new course alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program?** YES ☒ NO ☒
    If, YES attach a program modification form for all programs affected.

Catherine Scott Burriss, Ph.D 3/15/2007
Proposer of Course  Date
## Approval Sheet

Program/Course: PA494

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