

# Independent / Directed Study Authorization

## Guidelines from Student Handbook

**Independent Study** is designed for students who wish to do advanced work in a particular subject which is not covered by the Seminary courses. Registration is dependent upon faculty approval and availability.

**Directed Study** is designed in the same way as an Independent Study course, but it is distinguished by the requirement of much closer tutorial work on the part of the professor. A further distinction is that Directed Study courses may involve more than one student.

Both independent and directed studies are available either as pass/fail or graded, determined by the student and the professor at the time the student registers for the course and cannot be changed after that time. If graded, these studies should include written work of at least 15-20 pages (typed and double spaced).

Students may enroll for not more than one Independent/Directed Study per term and not more than three for the M.Div. program (exceptions may be made for students writing a thesis). Students who wish to enroll in an independent/directed study will ordinarily have a minimum GPA of 3.0. Students on academic probation will not be allowed to register for independent/directed studies.

**This Independent/Directed Study Authorization form must be completed by the student, signed by the professor, and returned to the Registrar's Office prior to registration.**



**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Course Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(assigned by the Registrar)

**Professor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Term** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year:** \_\_\_\_\_ **# Credits** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grading:** Pass/Fail \_\_\_\_\_ Letter Grade \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Professor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_