

## Bard College Petition for Independent Study Credit

Independent Study credit is granted only for projects completed outside the College's regular course structure that have demonstrated academic value and will result in a body of work that will be assessed by a Bard College faculty member. This credit may not be earned for paid work. Proposals must be approved by a faculty sponsor, your adviser, the Dean of Studies, and the Faculty Executive Committee. Independent study projects may be undertaken in the fall or spring semester for up to four credits as part of the normal course load or during the January intersession or the summer for a maximum of two

credits. ***Summer and January Independent Study projects are limited to 2 credits. A fee per credit will be billed by student accounts upon registration.***

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class Level \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Moderation \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Semester when Independent Study will be completed fall / spring / winter / summer 20\_\_\_\_

Total number of credits earned previously through Independent Study \_\_\_\_

Number of credits requested for this Independent Study \_\_\_\_

How will your project be graded (letter grade or P/F)? \_\_\_\_

**In a 1-2 page attachment, please answer each of the following questions:**

1. What do you propose to do for your Independent Study project?
2. How does the project relate to your academic program of study?
3. Why can't the project be conducted within the framework of the existing course structure?
4. How will you pursue your project? Include an estimate of the number of hours per day/week you will spend working on the project.
5. What will you produce and submit to your faculty sponsor to be assessed?
6. What resources and methodologies will you need to complete the project? Include a bibliography or a list of materials, as necessary.

Faculty sponsor's comments on proposed project:

Faculty sponsor's Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Adviser's comments on proposed project:

Adviser's Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dean of Studies Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Committee Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_