

**Boston College
Lynch School of Education
Readings & Research/ Independent Study Proposal**

Undergraduates:

**Readings & Research ED 198
Independent Study/Internship Experience ED199
Readings & Research Fifth Year Program ED397**

Graduate Students:

**Teacher Ed, Special Ed & Curriculum & Instruction ED859
Educational Research, Measurement, and Evaluation ED910
Counseling and Developmental and Educational Psychology PY910
Higher Education and Educational Administration ED921**

Procedure for Lynch School Students

Students who wish to enroll in an independent study with a Lynch School Faculty member must do the following:

1. Download the form from following the www site or pick one up in Campion 104 or 106.
http://www.bc.edu/bc_org/avp/soe/p&p/grad_p&p/doctoral/forms/readings&research.pdf
2. Identify a professor with whom you would be interested in doing an independent study. If you are an undergraduate and interested in the Independent Study/Internship Experience option, ED199, please see the Associate Dean for Students and Outreach prior to completing the form to ensure that you are eligible for this course of study.
3. ***For Lynch School undergraduates***, only **one** Independent Study can be taken in any semester. A maximum of **two** independent study courses will be allowed during a student's undergraduate career.
For Lynch School graduate students, the number of Readings and Research/Independent Study courses that are permitted within any given degree is **limited** by University policy **to the number of electives within a student's degree program**.
4. Independent Study is usually approved as an **elective**, unless specific arrangements are made and a substitution is approved in advance by the appropriate Associate Dean (for undergraduates) and/or Program Coordinator/Advisor, Department Chair and Associate Dean (for graduate students).
5. A student interested in doing an Independent Study/Readings and Research should follow the steps outlined on the application form. Once the proposal has been approved the student will be notified and can register for the appropriate section. Copies will be filed in the appropriate offices as indicated on the form.

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Student's Name _____ *Eagle ID* _____

Date of Proposal _____ *Year in Degree Program* _____ BA

Degree Program _____ Masters

Student email: _____ PhD/ EdD

Course number and semester in which Independent Study/ Reading & Research will be completed (e.g. EDXXX, 2008F): _____

Student and professor should discuss this proposal prior to its completion by the student. It must be signed by the student and supervising professor and by the relevant Associate Dean (BA) or Department Chair (MA/ PhD). Use additional sheets as needed but entire proposal should not exceed 500 words.

1. Topic of your proposed study:

2. Objectives of your proposed study (list 2-3 major objectives):

3. Research and/or proposed activities in which you will be engaged to meet the above objectives:

4. Outcomes by which you will demonstrate that you have met the above objectives:

5. Nature and frequency of contact with the professor:

6. What educational objectives will this independent study meet that cannot be addressed by a course at BC or in the consortia? Please explain.

NB: The final evaluation report of Independent Study/ Reading & Research needs to be filed with the instructor and with the Associate Dean (BA) or Department Chair (MA/ PhD).

Signature of Student _____ Date _____

Signature of Professor/ Instructor _____
Approved _____ Not Approved _____ Date _____

Signature of Associate Dean for Students & Outreach (BA) or Department Chair (MA/ PhD)

Approved _____ Not Approved _____ Date _____

Office Use Only: Initial and date when student is registered _____

Once the student is registered send 1 copy of this application to the Chair of the Department [], 1 copy to the supervising faculty member [], and place 1 copy in the student's file [].