

MFA STUDIO ARTS PROGRAM
INDEPENDENT STUDY REQUEST

INDS 670 (6 credits) / INDS 671 (3 credits) / INDS 672 (3 credits)

Independent Studies permit **second year students** to explore a specific field or topic relevant to their area of study. Only proposals for research that is not available through normal course offerings will be considered. Full-time faculty members may supervise an Independent Study with permission from the Graduate Program Director.

Please note: MFA Students are permitted to take a maximum of one 3-credit Independent Study with their 3- year Studio Advisor for PROJ 691 and PROJ 692 (graduating project). A second 3-credit Independent Study could be taken with another full-time faculty member.

Your proposal must include the following:

- a) A summary of the proposed area of study including its relevance to your other academic or studio work.
- b) An initial bibliography of readings or other relevant resources.
- c) An overview of how the Independent Study will proceed, including frequency of meetings with your advisor and submission dates for final reports.

*Independent Studies that include a studio research component must be supported by readings, research into relevant sources, and a written component of a minimum 1500 words.

Completed forms must be returned to the MFA Office (VA-250-6) by **August 15** (Fall) and **December 1** (Winter)

Student Name: _____ ID Number: _____

MFA Concentration: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Course: _____ Term/Year: _____ Credits: _____

Name of course supervisor (Full-time faculty only): _____

Please attach a complete description of your Independent Study proposal.

The proposal has been reviewed and approved by my supervising professor who will be responsible for assessing the academic criteria of the independent study project and will assign a grade.

Student signature

Date

Supervising Professor signature

Date

Graduate Program Director signature

Date