

Project/Independent Study Registration Guidelines

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Preamble: Over last many years students have been registering for independent course work and projects under faculty.

It has been observed that the grades for these are not given immediately after the semester ends, and many students are having projects and independent study credits for which no grade is given till graduation check is being done. Also, faculty are not aware of these project credits the students have taken. In order to streamline this process following guidelines will be applied from Monsoon 2006 semester onwards.

First clarification about independent study and project.

Independent study is a course that a student is taking under a faculty. There is a syllabus and course schedule for this. There could be assignments and exams for this course. Independent study is graded just like any other course. A separate course code is assigned for independent study.

Project is an implementation or theoretical development addressing a specific problem. It is graded based on learning, effort, and deliverables.

Guidelines

1. At any time a student can have at most one project (including honours) and one independent study active. Active implies that student has registered for an independent study or project for which a grade (between A-F) is not given. A project or independent study with grade 'I' is active.
2. Students who have taken independent study/project in earlier semesters and would like to take another independent study/project in the current semester. For this to happen, the student must first complete the earlier independent study or project, get a grade (other than grade 'I').
3. This grade must be submitted before the second add/drop deadline for the student to register for independent study/project in the current semester. Otherwise the student cannot register for project/independent study.

Notes:

- . BTP is not included in above guidelines.
- . A student can have at most one project and independent study active at any time.

Bottom line: They have to complete project/independent study taken in earlier semesters, get a grade (other than 'I'), before they can register for another independent study or project.