

The Olin Self Study Requirement is a graduation requirement that all Olin students must fulfill with 4 credits of approved work.

Students may complete this requirement in one of five ways:

- 1) Advanced Independent Study 2) Advanced Research 3) AHS Capstone Project 4) E! Capstone Project 5) ARB approved Course

Students choosing 1) Advanced Independent Study or 2) Advanced Research option must complete this form and submit it to the Registrar's Office by the ADD deadline of the semester in which they are completing the OSS work.

ALL OSS activities **must** explicitly achieve the following:

- (1) develop students' skills in working independently to learn challenging material and to tackle challenging problems
- (2) develop students' skills in communication relevant to the field and project
- (3) hone students' skills and attitudes enabling life-long learning
- (4) count for 4 credit hours of 3000 or 4000 level material approved by the supervising faculty member

Student Name Student ID

Semester of study Graduation Year

Research and Independent Study

Project Topic/Title

Enter number of credits per discipline (must add up to 4) AHS E! MTH SCI ENGR ISR

Check this box if splitting the credits (2+2) between two semesters

Attach to this document proof that your research or independent study meets the appropriate standards listed below. Proof should consist of a document listing prerequisites, goals, deliverables, and an assessment plan. *(NOTE: It is recommended that both the student and adviser retain copies of this form and attached documents in case of audit.)*

RESEARCH

- (1) Must be a student's second semester or further four-credit study with the same faculty member
- (2) Must include a significant self-study component
- (3) Student should contribute on an intellectual level to a field, and produce a relevant deliverable such as a literature review or work towards a research paper appropriate for submission.
- (4) Must receive a grade

INDEPENDENT STUDY

- (1) Must be sufficiently advanced to be considered equivalent to 3000 or 4000 level material
- (2) Olin faculty member must be the primary point of contact for the activity
- (3) Must receive a grade

Student: Certifies that s/he accepts the plan of study and assessment plan

Name Signature Date

Project Adviser: Certifies that s/he accepts the plan of study and assessment plan

Name Signature Date

Disciplinary Adviser (may be the same as project adviser): Certifies that the proposed activity will earn credits in the chosen field

Name Signature Date

Authorization requires a minimum of two signatures: the student and the project adviser. If the project is being advised by someone who is not part of the program group in which the credits are being awarded, a disciplinary adviser signature must also be obtained.