

## IDS 401: Directed Study Application

A directed study is a thesis project that a student designs in consultation with a faculty involving both academic concentrations equally. Research projects vary depending on concentration areas and student interests, but can be expected to be the equivalent of a 135-hour research project. This option is best for students who already have a particular issue to research, or meaningful project to share.

Once a student has a particular project in mind, they will need to find and secure a faculty mentor. A student’s faculty mentor will need to be an expert in the student’s project topic. This means that the faculty member will either need to be in the field of the project, or actively be researching it themselves.

Once a student has commitment from an instructor agreeing to mentor them on this project, they will need to email this completed directed study application to the IDS 401 coordinator at [Hahnna.Christianson@asu.edu](mailto:Hahnna.Christianson@asu.edu).

Student’s Name (Last First Middle):	Student’s ASU ID number (10 digits located on your Suncard):	Date:	
Student’s ASU email:	Student’s Secondary email:	Semester/Term:	
Faculty Mentor Name:	Faculty ASU Email:	Faculty Department:	Is he/she a fulltime ASU faculty?

**Directed Study Thesis or Project Description** – Please briefly describe your project, including why it is important both socially and globally.

**Concentration Integration** – How does this project integrate both of your academic discipline concentrations and relate to your career aspirations?

**Faculty Expertise** – How does your faculty mentor's experience and expertise relate to this project?

**Directed Study Required Assignments** – Please list all required assignments for this project including due dates and grade distribution. *Please note that all assignments must be completed within the semester dates.*

*I agree to perform the agreed upon directed study project and agree to the grading scale identified in this Student/Faculty contract. I also agree that I will not use any portion of a paper or assignment that was already used in another course.*

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*Student Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

*I agree to mentor the above named student in this directed study project that is to be the equivalent of a 30-page research paper, and agree to the grading scale identified in this Student/Faculty contract. I agree to grade this project, and submit the students grade to the instructor of record no less than 24 hours prior to the ASU grade deadline.*

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*Faculty Mentor Signature*

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*Date*