Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders

FAQs: Independent Study in CSD

Can I do an independent study in CSD?

Yes. Independent study is available in CSD for both undergraduate and graduate students. An independent study experience ranges from 1-4 credit hours.

Why would I do an independent study?

There are many reasons to complete an independent study. Primarily, they are an excellent way to gain credits in a topic of interest that may not be covered in a course. If you are in need of a few more credits, but have completed all of your coursework, independent study allows you to gain 1-4 additional credit hours in a CSD-related area of interest.

What can I do with independent study in CSD?

Completing an independent study provides the opportunity for research projects, research or coursework in a specific area of interest related to CSD, laboratory work, or other experiences that are different from a typical undergraduate course.

How do I apply for an independent study?

Download the "Independent Study Form" from the advising documents/forms folder on the website. Then meet with the faculty member you wish to complete your independent study with ("independent study supervisor"). During your meeting, you can work together to develop your independent study description, rationale, work products, and evaluation. Once you have finished designing your experience, you should submit the completed form to the CSD department administrative secretary (Lorie Fox) in Health Professions Building 2159.

What is required to complete an independent study?

The time commitment and coursework to be completed is decided by you and your independent study supervisor. This information will be included on the independent study form that you submit to the department.