



## **INDEPENDENT STUDY POLICY**

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Independent study courses are independent research opportunities available to students primarily for thesis and dissertation research or other independent research. The department may limit the maximum number of independent research credit hours a student may apply towards the degree. Projects must be undertaken within the academic term in which they are registered.

With the approval of the instructor, the program coordinator and department chair, graduate students may register for independent study in their major fields. Students registered for independent study must be scheduled for regular conference periods. Not more than 25% of the student's degree program may be taken in combination of selected topics and independent studies. Anyone seeking to pursue independent study must be a candidate for a degree at Winston-Salem State University.

Adopted: This the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2014

Effective Date: This policy becomes effective upon adoption by Board of Trustees.

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