

Department of Speech Communication
Minnesota State University, Mankato
Mankato, Mn 56001

INDIVIDUAL STUDY
Speech 499/677

The purpose of the individual study is to provide the motivated student with an avenue for investigating areas of special interest.

TO APPLY:

1. The following steps must be completed prior to registration.
2. You must submit a detailed proposal of the line of inquiry you wish to follow. This proposal must include the purpose of the study, the methods to be used to achieve that purpose, and what you hope to gain from undertaking the study. Remember that the proposal must correlate with the number of credit hours you wish to receive, i.e., 1 credit: 10-30 hours of work, 2 credits: 30-60 hours of work, and so on. The proposal must be detailed enough for the supervising faculty to be able to evaluate it for its merits.
3. On the proposal, justify your study. Address why you want to do the study, what you hope to gain from it, how it applies to your degree and/or future career plans, and why this is to be done as an individual study and not as part of a scheduled course. Individual studies that repeat the content of a scheduled course are discouraged.
4. After completing the proposal and reviewing it with the supervising faculty member, you must secure the signatures of
 - (1) the supervising faculty member,
 - (2) another member of the Department of Speech Communication, and
 - (3) the chair of the Department of Speech Communication.
5. If the proposal is accepted, you must then complete the Individual Study Contract. This must be completed in triplicate. You should fill in this document online, print 3 copies, obtain the required signatures, and then the form should be filed in the Speech Communication Department office AH 230
6. The departmental policy is that the student is responsible for following these guidelines. Failure to do so will result in the disapproval of the proposal.
7. In addition to the above, any 677 Individual Study must be approved by the student's graduate advisor prior to enrollment.
8. If you have any questions, confer with the faculty with whom you wish to work.

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Student Name:				ID #		
Course Number		Course Title			Credits	
Year			Semester		Date Submitted	

Individual Study Proposal

Justification

(Attach additional sheets as needed)

Faculty Member Date

Additional Faculty Member Date

Chairperson Date