

**POLICY LIT.9.03**  
**DIRECTED STUDY/INDEPENDENT STUDY**

**SCOPE:** Students

Upon arrangement with the Department Chair and the Provost/Vice President for Instruction and Student Services, a student who needs a course required for graduation and who has not had an opportunity to enroll in that course previously, may take the course under Directed Study/Independent Study.

1. Courses containing laboratory experiences, in which student participation is a particularly important element, may not be eligible for Directed Study/Independent Study.
2. Directed Study/Independent Study is defined as a class of nine (9) or fewer students that is not required to meet the total number of instructional hours established for the course.

**Related Procedures:**

**Relevant Forms/Documents:**

**Relevant TSUS Policies/Forms/Documents:**

**Relevant Statutes:**

**Relevant SACSCOC Standards:**

**Document History:**

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