Department of Communications
Independent Study Policy
(effective Spring, 1992)

1. To qualify for an independent study, a student must possess at least a 2.5 overall grade point average, a 3.0 G.P.A. in the major, and have earned at least 90 semester hours.

2. Students must use the departmental application form to create a proposal for what work will be accomplished in an independent study. In order to receive a satisfactory grade, students must deliver what is promised in this proposal, and do so to their supervising professor’s satisfaction. This form should be signed by both the student and supervising professor prior to registration.

3. An independent study can be designed to replace a required major course only if a student is a graduating senior (defined as a senior in his/her last semester at UTM who has completed or will complete all other graduation requirements), and the course is not scheduled to be offered again until after the student’s graduation.

4. To earn the three credits awarded for an independent study, a student should plan on devoting a minimum of 75 hours time.

5. Exceptions to these policies may be approved by the department chair, upon recommendation by the supervising faculty member.