

3.y. Independent Study

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Title of The Policy	Independent Study	Next Review	Dec - 2025
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Definitions	Independent Study: Defined as a learning mode for a course in which a student is individually supervised by a faculty member, which enables a student to undertake a learning opportunity which is otherwise unavailable.		
Purpose	Alternative modes of delivery of a course for the purpose of facilitating students' completion of a program's degree requirements.		
Scope	Students at undergraduate level.		
Statement	Student who wishes to opt for independent study is required to obtain the approval of the relevant College Dean.		
Procedures	- Independent study normally will only be permitted for one course in a student's program. More than one course may only be allowed in case of a prior approval from the CAA. - Independent study courses must have an appropriate learning plan (typically a syllabus), learning outcomes, end of term evaluations and appropriate assessment. - Student who wish to opt for this mode of delivery should undergo the Academic advising procedure as per the Academic advising policy of the institution. - The admission and registration unit requirements also should be abided. - This provision of independent study, is only limited with the undergraduate program level and is not applied at the postgraduate level. - The student choosing this mode of delivery will be individually supervised by the faculty member.		
Recent Changes	February 2025: In the procedure section, point #1: "except with prior approval from the CAA" was rephrase to "More than one course may only be allowed in case of a prior approval from the CAA"		