

M.A. in Labour Studies Guidelines for Independent Study

LABRST 750: Independent Study (Half Course)

Students have the option of taking an Independent Study Course with a faculty member provided a similar course is not available in the current curriculum and provided it does not overlap significantly with a course taken previously. Students are allowed one independent study course during their entire graduate program in Labour Studies.

Guidelines for Independent Study Proposals

The student should submit a typed proposal for an Independent Study Course, including the following information:

1. State the **topic and instructor** of the course.
2. **Rationale and course description:** Explain how the material forms a coherent focus of study and outline the objectives of your study. In cases in which the material resembles that of another graduate programme course, you should explain how your Independent Study programme will differ from that course. When appropriate, the rationale should explain the critical context in which the material will be studied.
3. **Schedule of meetings and submission of work:** State the frequency and length of time you and your course instructor will meet.
4. **Evaluation Methods:** List the assignments as agreed upon with the instructor, e.g., the number of written assignments and the length of each. The relative weighting of each component of the grade should also be given.
5. **Lists of Texts:** List primary and secondary materials separately.
6. The proposal must be signed by your course instructor and yourself.
7. The proposal must be submitted to the Graduate Chair who will submit it to the Graduate Study Committee for approval before the start of the course.
8. Once approved, advise the Grad Admin to add permission on Mosaic under LABRST 750 so student can complete enrollment.