Procedures to Propose an ILR Graduate Independent Study or Project – ILR 7990

The Independent Study or project proposal must be developed in consultation with a Faculty Supervisor to cover material not addressed in regularly scheduled courses. Submission of this form indicates student and faculty supervisor have agreed to the information stated below. All Independent Study proposals must be approved by the Graduate Committee. Please submit completed forms to the ILR Graduate Programs Office in 218 Ives Hall, with the required signatures, prior to enrolling in this course.

*MILR only: A 3 credit Independent Study or Project may be used to fulfill one elective if approved and signed by your special committee chairperson.

ILR 7990: ILR Graduate Student Independent Study or Project Agreement

Student Name:_____________________________________        NetID:____________

Degree Program:___________________________________        Concentration:_____________________

Special Committee Chairperson: _____________________________________

Faculty supervising this study: _____________________________________

Semester of independent study/project:________        Credit hours:________        Grade Option: Letter grade only

Working title of Study:

Proposal: The Graduate Committee requests a concise statement describing what you propose to study. Please provide us with a brief statement of your research question or hypothesis, a brief explanation of its importance in relationship to the extant research, and a description of the methodology you will use to answer your research question or hypothesis. If you plan to conduct interviews or a survey, for example, please provide the committee with a sample of the questions you will ask, how you will recruit your subjects, and how you propose to analyze your data. Finally, please provide the committee with a list of articles and books that you will be using for the project. This need not be exhaustive but the committee would like to know what materials you will be reading and discussing with the faculty member supervising this proposal.

Please attach your proposal to this form, which will be reviewed by the committee. If it is approved, the Director of Graduate Studies will sign off on it.

Resources to be used (check those that apply):

☐ Primary documents and archived materials        ☐ Interviews        With approximately how many people? ________

☐ Surveys        To how many respondents? ________

☐ Other (please describe)__________________________________________

Bibliography (include a tentative bibliography)__________________________________________

Signature of faculty supervisor agreeing to these terms    date

Signature of ILR graduate student undertaking this study/project    date

Signature of Special Committee Chairperson approving elective credit for this project    date

Signature of the DGS indicating Graduate Committee Approval    date