

**Student's name:**

**Student's ID number:**

**Date:**

**Request for Enrollment in WGS 4900: Directed Studies. (1-3 credit hours)**

Before you enroll in WGS 4900, you must find a faculty member who is willing to direct your research studies. In addition, you must have the permission and signature of the Women & Gender Studies Director and your faculty advisor.

You are required to submit a one-two page proposal that describes in detail the topic you will study and the project you will complete under the direction of the faculty advisor. This proposal must be approved and signed by your faculty advisor and WGS Director.

The college committee on educational quality offers a few guidelines for directed study courses. A minimum of 1,000 pages of independent readings per credit hour is recommended. The required amount of reading may be adapted if other educational activities (e.g., field work, interviews) make up the difference in the required minimum of assigned readings.

Credit for WGS 4900: Directed Studies also requires students to complete at least one significant project that involves writing a research paper, although it may include other research components such as performances, web design, data collection, or DVD. At the beginning of the semester in which you are enrolled for WGS 4900, you and your faculty advisor will work out a plan of study for meetings and assignments over the course of the semester. A minimum of four, one-hour sessions per semester are required.

The faculty member who directs your study will review your work, decide when it is satisfactory, and assign the grade you earn. Additionally, at the end of the semester students are required to submit to the WGS Director, a one-two page description of your completed research and project. This summary should emphasize what you accomplished with your study and project, including a bibliography of the materials you read for your research. Your summary description and other materials will be posted on the Women & Gender Studies website and thus needs to provide a clear description of your work.

I request enrollment in WGS 4900 for \_\_\_\_\_ credits during \_\_\_\_\_ semester,  
\_\_\_\_\_ (year).

**Student's signature and date:**

**Faculty advisor's signature and date:**

**WGS Director's signature and date:**