ACS950: Directed Research Course

This course offers students the opportunity for advanced study with a professor in the Faculty of Arts. Topics are determined jointly by the student and professor. Normally, students must have completed at least 25 credits before taking ACS950, and have a CGPA no less than 3.0. Students must submit a completed application form to the ACS Program Office at least 20 business days before the start of the relevant semester. Departmental and Program Consent Required.

ACS950: Policies and Procedures

- Eligible students may take this course in lieu of either ACS800 or ACS900. Eligible students may take this course in addition to either or both of ACS800 and ACS900.
- Normally, only RFA members in the Faculty of Arts are permitted to supervise a directed research course.
- No faculty member shall be obliged, or made to feel obliged, to supervise a directed research course.
- Requests for a directed research course in a given area of study should first be submitted by the student to the Chair of the relevant department.
- The consent of the relevant instructor, that individual's Chair, and the ACS Program Director, is required.
- No student may complete more than one directed research course.
- Students must complete the application form below by the deadline noted.
- Copies of the application form will be kept on file by the ACS Program office, the relevant departmental office, and the relevant instructor.
- The evaluation scheme (number and nature of assignments required) must be comparable to other advanced undergraduate courses in the Faculty of Arts.
- Deviations from the agreed-upon evaluation scheme must be approved in writing by the student, the instructor, the relevant Chair, and the ACS Program Director.
- In agreeing to serve as a supervisor, the faculty member understands that, at the present time, teaching ACS950 will not be considered part of his/her normal teaching workload, and there will be no compensation provided.
- Normally, instructors will not be permitted to supervise more than one student per semester.

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Application Form

This form must be submitted to the ACS Program Office no later than 20 business days before the beginning of the relevant semester.

Basic Information

Last Name   _____
First Name   _____
Student Number   _____
Number of Credits Completed   _____
CGPA   _____
Faculty Supervisor   _____
Faculty Member's Department   _____

Subject Matter

In 300 words or less, indicate the topic(s), problem(s), or issue(s) to be studied.

Evaluation Scheme and Deadlines

The number and nature of assignments to be completed must be comparable to other advanced undergraduate courses in the Faculty of Arts. Indicate the number and nature of assignments to be completed, along with the value (percentage of final grade), and the relevant deadlines.

Readings

List a week-by-week breakdown of expected readings to be completed during the semester.

Approval Signatures

By signing below, all parties attest that they have read and understood the policies and procedures governing ACS950, and that they will abide by them.

Student   _____
Professor   _____
Departmental Chair   _____
ACS Program Director _____