

SLS 499V DIRECTED READING/RESEARCH

Occasionally a student may wish to study a topic relevant to ESL in greater depth than it might be covered in a regular course or may wish to conduct a research project independent of a regular course. SLS 499V is intended to provide senior students with a means to pursue such goals under the direction of a faculty member.

A student who is interested in the SLS 499V option should seek out an SLS faculty member with expertise in the area of interest and discuss the possibility of directed reading or research. If the faculty member agrees to direct the work, the form on the reverse side should be completed and the necessary signatures obtained. The approval from Interdisciplinary Studies should be secured before getting approval from the Department of SLS chair. During the registration period, the form should be presented to the Department of SLS secretary.

Note that, because of other duties and responsibilities, faculty members may not be able to honor all requests for directed reading or research.

SLS 499V is offered on a letter grade basis only. The number of credits is variable (hence the V in 499V) and correlates with the amount of work to be done. However, three (3) credits is the maximum number of credits allowed under this option. SLS 499V is listed on the student's transcript as Directed Reading/Research. There is no other course title or any specific indication of the type of reading or research that has been undertaken.

The prerequisites for SLS 499V are: 1) Approval by the department chair and 2) a 2.7 cumulative GPA and a 3.0 GPA in the major equivalent courses. The course must be taken on a letter grade basis as noted in the paragraph above.

SLS 499V is only applicable to the major equivalent 36-credit core. Moreover, SLS 499V is restricted to seniors.

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Approval Form**

Name: _____ Banner ID# _____

1. Topic (subject matter; area of study):

2. Goal (what is to be accomplished):

3. Relation to total M.A. program and/or to career/academic goals:

4. Outline of steps to be taken to achieve above goal(s), with time schedule:

5. Brief description of the final product (e.g. a report, card file, etc.):

Student's signature

Email : _____

Number of credits: []

Instructor's approval: _____ Date: _____

SLS Advisor's approval: _____ Date: _____

Interdisciplinary Studies approval: _____ Date: _____

Dept. Chair's approval: _____ Date: _____

After getting the necessary signatures and before registering for classes, submit this form to the SLS Department and request the Directed Reading/Research course reference number.