

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater  
Curriculum Proposal Form #4  
**Change in or Deletion of an Existing Course**

Type of Action (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Course Deletion                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Requisite Change                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Course Revision                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Repeatability Change                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Description Change*                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Diversity Option                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Title Change                             | <input type="checkbox"/> General Education Option<br>area: Select one: *** |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Number Change                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Requirement                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contact Hour Change and or Credit Change | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing Requirement                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade Basis                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Add Cross-listing                        |  |

\* Use Form 5, if only a Description Change

\*\*\* Note: For the Gen Ed option, the proposal should address how this course relates to specific core courses, meets the goals of General Education in providing breadth, and incorporates scholarship in the appropriate field relating to women and gender.

**Effective Term:** 2097 (Fall 2009)

**Current/Old Course Number:** Speech 798

**Cross-listing:** Journalism 798

**New Course Number:** **Speech 798**

**Cross-listing:** **Journalism 798**

**Current/Old Course Title:** Independent Studies

**New Course Title:** **Independent Studies**

**25-Character Abbreviation** (if new title):

**Sponsor(s):** Susan Wildermuth

**Department(s):** Communication

**College(s):** Arts and Communications

**List all programs that are affected by this change:**  
**MS Degree in Communication**

**If programs are listed above, will this change affect the Catalog and Advising Reports for those programs? If so, have Form 2's been submitted for each of those programs?**

(Form 2 is necessary to provide updates to the Catalog and Advising Reports)

- NA       Yes       They will be submitted in the future

Proposal Information: (Procedures can be found at <http://acadaff.uww.edu/Handbook/Procedures-Form4.htm>)

### **Detailed explanation of changes**

***FROM:***

Speech 798 Independent Studies  
No prerequisites are currently listed.

***TO:***

Speech 798 Independent Studies  
Students must complete the Independent Studies Form located at <http://academics.uww.edu/commgrads/forms.html> or available from the Communication Department office prior to registering for this course. The form requires signatures from the instructor supervising the independent study and from the graduate coordinator. Note, Speech/Jourlnsm 799 Thesis Credits and Speech/Jourlnsm 789 ACP credits may not be taken concurrently with Speech/Jourlnsm 798 Independent Study credits.

**I. Justification for action**

We would like to change the pre-requisites for various communication courses as they are listed in the AR and the course catalogue so that they match the department's mission of making courses more accessible to students and/or the department's goal of making sure students in advanced courses have the appropriate skill sets. In addition, we want to clearly publish the departmental policy of not allowing students to take independent study credits at the same time as thesis or ACP credits in order to ensure that the distribution of coursework directed toward their capstone is balanced over their time in the program.

**II. Syllabus/outline (if course Revision)**