Application for BIOS 399: Independent Research (2 hours)

Prerequisites: Minimum GPA of 2.00/4.00 in Biological Sciences courses, consent of instructor, and departmental approval.

**To receive approval for BIOS 399, a research proposal must be attached to this application, and must include the following: (1) a brief review of background information; (2) your hypothesis; and, (3) how the hypothesis will be tested during the semester. Please write at least 1 page for this proposal, single-spaced with 1" margins and size 11 font.**

BIOS 399 is intended to introduce the undergraduate student to general scientific research principles and give the student a specialized experience with a particular project. A minimum of 10 hours per week (20 hours per week during the summer semester) working on the project is required. A student-written research report must be submitted to the Biological Sciences department by 4 pm on the Wednesday of finals week. Please verify your approval of the student's research participation below. At the end of the semester, please signify your approval of the final paper by signing the Cover Sheet and give a final grade to the student, either Satisfactory ('S') or Unsatisfactory ('U'). If the student will continue on the same project for more than one term, a deferred ('DF') grade may be requested. If this arrangement is necessary, please sign off on the student's Deferral Form, which should be attached to a research update, called the Deferral Notice, and submitted to the department on the Friday of the last week of instruction. All forms can be found on the BIOS website.

I have read this application and agree to work with this student on the project described in the attached proposal.

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