Arranging for a Directed Reading Course

Students may approach departmental and non-departmental faculty members about setting up directed reading courses. Individual faculty members are under no obligation to give courses of this kind, but they are often willing to do so if they have time and are confident that the student can work independently.

Generally speaking, a faculty member is more likely to agree to a directed reading if he or she knows the student from prior course work and if the goals of the course are clearly defined. A faculty member is less likely to agree if the projected readings duplicate an existing class or take an introductory approach to a subject that the student has not yet studied formally. Please note that directed readings cannot count for seminar credit, nor do they typically fulfill distribution. See the Harvey Mudd College Catalogue for further information.

Print this form and fill it out as completely as you can before you visit prospective faculty sponsors.

Name:                                                        Class:

Subject of reading course:

Related courses completed:

Goal(s):

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Possible readings:

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Status of reading course:

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Concentration Course?

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Elective?

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Other considerations:

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