READING OR RESEARCH COURSE PETITION

Divinity School students may make arrangements with a member of the Divinity School faculty for one of two types of Special Courses in Divinity:

- Reading Courses (DVSC 45100) allows students to craft a bibliography for advanced study in a particular topic in consultation with the sponsoring faculty member. Typically, students meet with the instructor of record according to a mutually agreed upon schedule to work through the texts in the bibliography.
- Research (or Independent Study) Courses (DVSC 50100) enables students to pursue formal individualized work under the direction of a member of the Divinity School faculty. Typically, students produce the equivalent of a seminar paper on the topic identified for the course.

Reading and research courses are intended to supplement regular course offerings, not to duplicate them. Students should have taken at least one course with the faculty member of record for the petition to be eligible for a Reading or Research Course.

Procedures:
1. Print and complete this form, securing the support of the sponsoring faculty member.
2. Attach a bibliography for the course, stipulating any academic work, such as seminar paper, to be completed.
3. Submit the completed form to the Dean of Students for approval no later than the end of the third week of the quarter in which you will plan to take the reading/research course.

Student Name: ___________________________ UCID: ______________

Degree Program (Circle): AMRS MA MDiv PhD

I plan to do a reading/research course with ________________________________ (print faculty member’s name)
in AUTUMN WINTER SPRING SUMMER Quarter 20____ on the following topic:
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Type of Course:□ Reading (DVSC 45100) □ Research (DVSC 50100)

The bibliography and/or account of work to be completed is attached.

Student’s signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________

Professor’s signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________

DOS signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________

□ Approved □ Not Approved