

# **INDEPENDENT STUDY APPLICATION**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Status (circle one): Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

4. What philosophy courses have you taken?

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5. What is your current cumulative GPA? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What type of independent study do you want to pursue? (circle one) Tutorial R. Project S. Thesis

7. Have you done any research to determine whether your interests are covered in courses already being offered by the College? (circle one) Yes No **(If yes, please explain on a separate typed page.)**

8. What general subfield of philosophy do you want to study (e.g., African philosophy, the philosophy of Karl Marx, philosophy of race and racism, phenomenology)?  
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9. What is your specific area of focus? In other words, what philosophical question do you want to answer, what philosophical problem do you want to solve, or what philosophical topic do you want to investigate? **(Answer this question on a separate typed page.)**

10. Do you want to pursue graduate study in philosophy? (circle one) Yes No

**Please read carefully before signing and dating this document.** If Dr. Evans agrees to take on this independent study, I understand that this is not a lecture course. I understand that the onus for the success of this independent study falls squarely on me, because I am the one who approached Dr. Evans for faculty supervision. For this reason, I will never miss a meeting and I will always be prepared, enthusiastic, and curious about the course material. Every week I will present thoughtful and engaging Critical Reading Questions, Critical Reading Essays, Four-Sentence Papers, and/or Daily Reading Responses. Additionally, I am committed to writing a high-quality, scaffolded research paper that is potentially publishable in an undergraduate philosophy journal. Finally, I understand that this independent study will be carried out in a manner similar to an Oxford-style tutorial and thus will be more intense and rigorous than attending a regular class. In summary, I understand and acknowledge that the impetus for this independent study comes from me, and that Dr. Evans's role as a professor and his philosophical expertise as a scholar are to guide my intellectual energy.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Return this form to Dr. Evans by sliding it underneath his office door (DU 102) or placing it in his mailbox in Durand Art Institute. After Dr. Evans reviews your application, he will contact you via email to inform you of his decision.**