Contract for Students

Conducting Independent Research for Credit

Research Problems in Biology
020.513 (fall), 020.572 (intersession), 020.514 (spring) or 020.597
(summer) Introduction to Research in Biology, 020.503 (fall) or
20.504 (spring)

1. You may not receive payment for any part of your project.

2. Every forty hours of research in a semester is worth one credit. Half credits may be awarded.

3. In your project you must:
   • be involved in the planning of an experiment
   • carry out the bench work necessary to complete the experiment
   • analyze the results of your experiment

4. Your primary supervisor must submit the "Summary of Independent Work" report by the final day of classes in order for you to receive credit for your research. Biology Research can only receive Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U) grades.

5. You must write a three-page "Research Report" detailing the research project you completed. This paper must be in the format of a research article: Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Conclusions, and References. It is due the final day of classes. You cannot receive credit for your research unless you complete this paper.

I agree to the above requirements, and understand that the "Summary of Independent Work" and the "Research Report" are due the final day of this semester,_________________ I will work_______ hours this semester on this research project, in order to earn _________ credits.

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Student’s Signature                                      Date

Student’s Printed Name

Student’s E-mail Address

Mentor’s Name                                      Lab Location

Mentor’s Email Address

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