University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Curriculum Proposal Form #4

Change in or Deletion of an Existing Course

Type of Action (check all that apply)

- ☐ Course Deletion
- ☐ Course Revision
- ☐ Description Change*
- ☐ Title Change
- ☐ Number Change
- ☐ Contact Hour Change and or Credit Change
- ☐ Grade Basis
- ☐ Add Cross-listing
- ☒ Requisite Change
- ☐ Repeatability Change
- ☐ Diversity Option
- ☐ General Education Option area: Select one: ***
- ☐ Computer Requirement
- ☐ Writing Requirement
- ☐ Other:

* *Use Form 5, if only a Description Change*

*** Note: For the Gen Ed option, the proposal should address how this course relates to specific core courses, meets the goals of General Education in providing breadth, and incorporates scholarship in the appropriate field relating to women and gender.

Effective Term: 2097 (Fall 2009)

Current/Old Course Number: Jrnl 798 **Cross-listing**: Speech 798

New Course Number: **Jrnl 798** **Cross-listing**: **Speech 798**

Current/Old Course Title: Independent Studies

New Course Title: **Independent Studies**

25-Character Abbreviation *(if new title)*:

Sponsor(s): Susan Wildermuth

Department(s): Communication

College(s): Arts and Communications

List all programs that are affected by this change:
MS Degree in Communication

If programs are listed above, will this change affect the Catalog and Advising Reports for those programs? If so, have Form 2's been submitted for each of those programs?
(Form 2 is necessary to provide updates to the Catalog and Advising Reports)

☐ NA ☒ Yes ☐ They will be submitted in the future

Proposal Information: (Procedures can be found at http://acadaff.uww.edu/Handbook/Procedures-Form4.htm)

Detailed explanation of changes

FROM:
Jrnl 798 Independent Studies
No prerequisites are currently listed.

TO:
Jrnl 798 Independent Studies
Students must complete the Independent Studies Form located at http://academics.uww.edu/commgrads/forms.html or available from the Communication Department office prior to registering for this course. The form requires signatures from the instructor supervising the independent study and from the graduate coordinator. Note, Speech/Journlsm 799 Thesis Credits and Speech/Journlsm 789 ACP credits may not be taken concurrently with Speech/Journlsm 798 Independent Study credits.

I. **Justification for action**

We would like to change the pre-requisites for various communication courses as they are listed in the AR and the course catalogue so that they match the department's mission of making courses more accessible to students and/or the department's goal of making sure students in advanced courses have the appropriate skill sets. In addition, we want to clearly publish the departmental policy of not allowing students to take independent study credits at the same time as thesis or ACP credits in order to ensure that the distribution of coursework directed toward their capstone is balanced over their time in the program.

II. **Syllabus/outline** (if course Revision)