DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

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Application for Undergraduate Independent Research (CMSC499A)

Name:_____   Current Major(s):_____

UID:_____   Email Address:_____

Phone Number:_____   Anticipated Graduation Term & Year: _____

CS Advisor:_____   Signature:_____

Course:__CMSC499A__   Term:_____   Number of Credits: (1-3)_____

The Undergraduate Independent Research course (CMSC499A) enables you to receive credit for conducting research under the guidance of a faculty advisor.

IMPORTANT: CMSC499A is intended to primarily focus on research – if you are interested in learning a new topic not currently covered in our courses through independent study, please register for CMSC298A or CMSC498A.

Before filling out this form, you must contact a faculty member who will be willing to supervise you. The research project you pursue can be provided by the advisor or could be initiated by you. Together with your faculty sponsor you must agree on a research plan that contains the elements required below. This application form acts as a contract between you and the faculty sponsor to ensure that both parties meet the expectations that were set out during your initial meeting.

The completed form, signed by both you and the faculty sponsor, must be returned by *the first day of classes* of the relevant semester to your assigned CS Academic Advisor. You may email your advisor with questions.

IMPORTANT: Each credit hour (Carnegie unit) corresponds to at least 3 hours of work per week for the duration of the semester. The study plan must match this level of effort.

Grading procedure (To be filled by the faculty sponsor) Include information about how the grade in this class will be assigned.

Plan of study (300-500 words, to be filled by student in consultation with faculty sponsor)

Deliverable

What will be the outcome of your work at the end of the semester? Most typically this is a short scientific paper or report detailing your research and findings, though other products may also be acceptable.

Faculty Sponsor's Name: Phone Number:

Faculty Sponsor's   Date:
Signature: