George Mason University
Graduate Course Approval/Inventory Form

Please complete this form and attach a copy of the syllabus for new courses. Forward it as an email attachment to the Secretary of the Graduate Council. A printed copy of the form with signatures should be brought to the Graduate Council Meeting. Complete the Coordinator Form on page 2, if changes in this course will affect other units.

Please indicate:   ___X__ NEW    ___ MODIFY     ___ DELETE

Local Unit: Public & International Affairs/ADJ   Graduate Council Approval Date:

Course Abbreviation: JLCP   Course Number: 796

Full Course Title: Directed Reading

Abbreviated Course Title (24 characters max.): Directed Reading

Credit hours: 1-3   Program of Record: Justice, Law, & Crime Policy

Repeatable for Credit?   _X_ D=Yes, not within same term   Up to 9 hours
   _X_ T=Yes, within the same term   Up to 9 hours
   ___ N=Cannot be repeated for credit

Activity Code (please indicate):   ___ Lecture (LEC)   ___ Lab (LAB)   ___ Recitation (RCT)
   ___ Studio (STU)   ___ Internship (INT)   _X_ Independent Study (IND)
   ___ Seminar (SEM)

Catalog Credit Format 1-3:0:0   Course Level: GF(500-600) ____ GA(700+) _X_

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Prerequisites or corequisites: Successful completion of 12 JLCP credit hours.

Catalog Description (35 words or less) Please use catalog format and attach a copy of the syllabus for new courses. JLCP 796 Directed Reading (1-3:0:0). Prerequisites: Successful completion of 12 JLCP credit hours. Independent reading at the doctoral level on a specific topic related to justice, law, or crime policy as agreed to by a student and faculty member and approved by the coordinator of the JLCP program.

For MODIFIED or DELETED courses as appropriate:
Last term offered:   Previous Course Abbreviation:   Previous number:
Description of modification:

APPROVAL SIGNATURES:
Submitted by: __________________________________ email: smastrof@gmu.edu
Department/Program: ______________________________ Date: __________________
College Committee: ______________________________ Date: __________________
Graduate Council Representative: __________________________ Date: __________________
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Course Coordination Form

Approval from other units:

Please list those units outside of your own who may be affected by this new, modified, or deleted course. Each of these units must approve this change prior to its being submitted to the Graduate Council for approval.

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Graduate Council approval: _____________________________ Date: ____________
Graduate Council representative: __________________________ Date: ____________
Provost Office representative: ____________________________ Date: ____________
JLCP 796
Directed Reading

**Topic Description**

Independent reading at the doctoral level on a specific topic related to justice, law, or crime policy as agreed to by a student and faculty member. Directed reading credits allow a student to explore a specialized topic through intensive reading in a focused area of scholarship and research. The specific requirements and topic of focus must be agreed to by the instructor (see course requirements and grading below) and approved by the director of the JLCP program. Directed reading is student initiated and instructor directed, that is, the students are expected to identify a topic and obtain agreement from an instructor to direct them in selecting an appropriate and comprehensive collection of readings. In addition to the extensive reading, students will be expected to produce one or more written products, depending on the arrangement with the supervising instructor.

**Course Prerequisite**

Successful completion of 12 JLCP credit hours.

**Course Objectives and Learning Methods**

The objectives of directed reading are to allow a self-motivated student to pursue specialized topic of interest and relevance to their scholarly advancement that is not taught as a regular course offering. The learning methods are reading of advanced scholarly works, discussions of these readings with the instructor, and written products, such as a reading journal, integrative paper, or theoretical review paper.

**Course Requirements and Grading**

To be determined by the instructor and student. In all cases, the course requirements will include extensive reading and at least one written product to be graded by the instructor.

**Assigned Text/Readings**

To be determined by the instructor and student.

**Outline of Topics**

To be determined by the instructor and student.
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