Course description:
INGL 6995 RESEARCH. (I, II) One to three credit hours. Three to nine hours per week of research. Research on a topic, which focus and breadth of study will be designed by the student and approved by the advising faculty member prior to registration in the course.

Guidelines:
This course entails a semester of intensive research on a topic chosen by the student under the close guidance of a faculty member with expertise on this topic. This form should therefore be completed, signed by the appropriate parties and filed in the Department of English prior to the student’s registration in the course. INGL 6995 may be taken for one, two or three credit hours; the student and advising faculty member should therefore determine both the number of credit hours and the corresponding number of hours of research per week (three, six or nine, respectively).
Please complete the following information:

1. Number of credit hours: _____.

2. Corresponding number of hours of research per week: _____.

3. Expected number of contact hours (student/faculty) per week: _____.

4. Title of proposed Research Project:

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5. Project Description (minimum 250 words). Provide an overview of the objectives of the proposed research project, a description of the primary texts to be covered in the semester, specific research methods to be utilized and a discussion of how the project will augment the student’s plan of study and contribute to the student’s thesis or comprehensive examinations.

6. Justification (minimum 100 words). Explain why the research needs to be conducted as a Directed Research project. Justify why the project cannot be conducted as part of coursework for graduate-level courses offered in the Department and at UPRM and how it is different from or similar to research projects that the student has carried out in other courses.

7. Work Plan (which should be commensurate with the number of credit hours the student is registered for). Provide a breakdown that includes: number of texts to be read; writing assignments to be completed (e.g. annotated bibliographies, literature reviews, field notes, papers, etc.); other types of assignments (e.g., observations, interviews, audiovisual projects, etc.); and research outcomes expected.

8. Preliminary bibliography (not to exceed one single-spaced page).

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Student’s signature                               Date

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Advising Faculty Member’s signature              Date

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Department Chair’s signature                     Date