



Florida State University College of Medicine
Interdisciplinary Medical Sciences Degree Program
Directed Individual Study (DIS)/ Honors Work Forms & Instructions

For Directed Individual Study enrollment with Faculty Mentor in the IMS Program

IMS Students Use Form A to enroll in research credit hours. Students must have 3.0 GPA to be eligible for DIS.

IMS Students Use Form B to have research work approved toward upper division elective credit. Students must have 3.0 GPA to be eligible for DIS.

Non-IMS Students Use Form C to enroll in research credit hours with a College of Medicine faculty mentor.

1. Establish your research work and DIS commitment with a faculty mentor. This can be with FSU Colleges and departments affiliated with the IMS Degree Program.
2. Meet with Dr. Elizabeth Foster, IMS PreHealth Academic Programming Director, to discuss the nature of the research and it's applicability to your degree and career aspirations. To schedule an appointment, please email Dr. Foster at: Elizabeth.Foster@med.fsu.edu
3. Obtain the IMS DIS/Honors Work Form from Dr. Foster or the IMS Program Office.
4. The IMS DIS/Honors Work Form requires the following signatures:
 - a. Student
 - b. Faculty Mentor
 - c. Dr. Elizabeth Foster, IMS PreHealth Academic Programming Director

Once the student and faculty mentor signatures are acquired, the student should email the form to Dr. Foster at Elizabeth.Foster@med.fsu.edu. Please remember, forms are due to Dr. Foster the last day of classes the semester prior to the term when the DIS will be taken.

5. The process will be complete after Lilly Lewis, IMS Program Director, receives the signed IMS DIS/Honors Work Form and processes your request. You will be notified when the registration process is complete. DIS and Honors Work in the Interdisciplinary Medical Sciences Program are letter graded.



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Form A: DIS / Honors Work Registration Form This form is to be completed by the student and faculty director of the DIS/Honors Work when seeking to enroll in research credit hours.

Because medical sciences encompass a broad field of study and practice, DIS and Honors Work for the IMS degree can be completed in a variety of disciplines within the 7 colleges and numerous departments affiliated with the IMS Degree Program. DIS and Honors Work topics must be related to medical sciences and approved by the Director for Student Research for the College of Medicine in order to count toward upper level elective for the degree.

Directed Individual Study

- DIS are variable credits between 1 – 3 credit hours.

Honors Work

- Honors Work is variable credits between 1 – 6 credit hours.

IMS Students seeking elective credit for research must receive approval from the Division of Interdisciplinary Medical Sciences. **Students taking more than 3 credit hours of DIS or Honors Work must consult with the IMS Research Director for advising on credit toward their major electives.** Research work may apply toward IMS degree upper division electives when approved by the IMS Research Director. This may be Directed Individual Study (DIS) or Honors Work credits. DIS and Honors Work in the Interdisciplinary Medical Sciences Program are letter graded.

DIS APPROVAL DEADLINE: This form must be submitted by the last day of classes the semester prior to the term the DIS will be taken.

SEMESTER: _____ Number of Credit Hours for this DIS (please circle): 1 2 3

Course Number (Choose one):

- BMS4901 DIS in Biomedical Sciences
- IHS4904 DIS in Health Sciences
- Other: _____
- BMS4903 Honors Work in Biomedical Sciences
- IHS4900 Honors Work in Health Sciences
- BMS4906 Honors Work in Clinical Sciences

Student Information:

Name: _____ FSU Email: _____ Major: _____ Current GPA: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Faculty Information:

Faculty Name and Title: _____

College and Department: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Topic/Title of Directed Individual Study (not required for Honors Work hours), limit of 30 characters:

Additional information or details regarding requirements agreed upon by the faculty and student:

IMS Research Approval

IMS DIVISION SIGNATURE:

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APPROVED:

Section _____ Course Number _____

Date Entered _____



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Form B: Upper Division Elective Approval Form for DIS/Honors Work

This form is to be completed by the student when seeking to have research credit hours approved for upper division elective credit for the IMS Degree Program.

IMS Students seeking elective credit for research must receive approval from the Division of Interdisciplinary Medical Sciences.

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Student Information:

Name: _____ FSU Email: _____ Major: _____ Current GPA: _____

Semester and Year of DIS/Honors Work (e.g. Fall, 2018): _____

Number of Credit hours: _____

Check the appropriate response for any DIS or Honors Work:

_____ I have NOT requested any prior DIS or Honors Work to count toward IMS Upper Division Elective Credit

_____ I have requested prior DIS or Honors Work to count toward IMS Upper Division Elective Credit

Course, Semester & Year: _____ Faculty Mentor: _____

Course, Semester & Year: _____ Faculty Mentor: _____

Course, Semester & Year: _____ Faculty Mentor: _____

DIS or Honors Prefix and Number (e.g. BMS4901): _____

Topic/Title of Directed Individual Study (as appears on transcript; title not required for Honors Work hours):

Faculty Information:

Faculty Name and Title: _____

College and Department: _____

Brief description of the research conducted while enrolled in the DIS or Honors work. Provide information about the duties and responsibilities related to the research, research skills learned or developed, and learning outcomes from the experience.

I am seeking approval for these credit hours to apply toward my Upper Division Elective credits for my IMS Degree. I attest that the description of the work completed for this DIS/Honors Work is true.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

IMS Research Approval

IMS DIVISION SIGNATURE:

