Independent Study

Contracts for Independent Study will be drawn up between the teacher and the student and approved by the area department chair and the director of academic affairs. The registration forms for Independent Study may be picked up in the Registrar's Office. The student has until the end of the semester to complete the Independent Study. If it is not completed by that time, a grade not higher than a D will be recorded on the transcript unless prior arrangements have been made with the teacher for a time extension. Ordinarily only one Independent Study Course per semester is allowed.

The contract for an Independent Study must be approved before finals begin the semester prior to the requested Independent Study course. Exceptions will be made only for extraordinary circumstances as determined by the director of academic affairs.

Electives

Any course that does not satisfy a core requirement will be counted as elective credit. LSMSA science courses used to satisfy a core requirement must include a lab component, whether as an integral part of the course itself or as a separate and specific lab course that accompanies a specific lecture component. In addition, if the student has earned credit totaling more than the amount required in a particular subject, the overage is considered elective credit.