

## Directed Research Petition

**Overview:** Professors engage in a number of exciting and challenging research projects in addition to their teaching obligations. The Law Center permits students to earn academic credit for serving as a research assistant for a law professor. Students interested in participating in Directed Research generally find suitable experiences in one of two ways. You can approach faculty who are teaching or writing in your areas of interest and indicate your willingness to serve as a researcher for credit. Or, you can look for notices posted by faculty who are seeking researchers for credit.

**Note:** Adjunct Professors may not supervise a directed research class without special permission and supervision from the Associate Dean for Student Life.

**Credit:** Credit for this course is pass/fail. Faculty may also withdraw you from this course for unsatisfactory performance. Credit for Directed Research can never satisfy the senior writing requirement.

- Requirements:**
1. Sixty hours of research for faculty member will equal one hour of academic credit.
  2. Students are able to obtain a maximum of four hours of Directed Research credit for his/her law school career.
  3. Directed Research credit is included within the non-substantive course cap towards your graduation requirements.
  4. No faculty member can supervise more than four hours of research assistance for credit in any semester.
  5. Faculty members must closely supervise the research, and will award credit only if work is academically credit-worthy.
  6. Cannot receive credit and pay for performing same research or doing same work

Number of credits: \_\_\_\_\_ (60 hours per credit)

Supervising Professor: \_\_\_\_\_ (Print clearly)

Professor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

---

### Registration Information

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ PeopleSoft ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Course #: \_\_\_\_\_ Section #: \_\_\_\_\_ Semester/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_