



1. POLICY NAME: **DIRECTED STUDY VS. SPECIAL/SELECTED TOPICS**

2. POLICY CATEGORY: **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**

3. POLICY STATEMENT:

DS is undertaken as a non-classroom learning activity at the request of one student or few students. By contrast, special/selected topics courses are classroom courses initiated by departmental curriculum committees, not by students.

DS is not intended for piloting a new course as a first step towards possible future addition of the course as a regular offering in the *Undergraduate Catalog*. By contrast, special/selected topics courses are intended expressly for that purpose.