

# Independent Study (685) Request Form for the Digital Humanities Graduate Certificate

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ UIN# \_\_\_\_\_

SEMESTER/YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT PREFIX (DHUM, etc.<sup>1</sup>): \_\_\_\_\_ HOURS CREDIT: \_\_\_\_\_

To complete the requirements for the DH Graduate Certificate, students must work on a digital project. The DHUM 685 requirement is designed to create a space in the curriculum for students to work on that project as part of an independent study.

## Requirements for approval of a DHUM 685:

- The student must contribute to or create a significant digital project in the field of Digital Humanities. This might include contributing to or creating a computer program, game, database, encoded text, digital map, data visualization, collection of RDF triple, digital art, digital curation of artistic material, pedagogical materials, digital literary analysis, digital archiving, digital storytelling, 3D printing, etc. This may be a standalone project that the student pioneers or could be a contribution to a project that the student has already begun on or has been begun by a faculty member or humanities-related institution. With adequate rationale, this project might instead involve the creation of technical documentation or critical analyses of existing software or digital resources.
- A faculty member must lead the DHUM 685 section. The student and faculty member should be in regular contact throughout the semester to ensure that adequate progress is being made and that any appropriate, agreed-upon mentorship or technical training can occur. The nature of this contact will be determined by the needs of the particular project and should be specified in detail below.

## Please sign below to indicate that you have:

- Received confirmation that the Digital Project Proposal has been approved by the Certificate Coordinator.
- Attached a schedule of milestones, expectations for the student and the faculty director and any additional readings that might be required.
- Accept the terms of this course.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Faculty Director

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup>While the Certificate specifies the DHUM prefix (that is, DHUM 685), you may be able to satisfy this requirement with a 685 in your home department or the home department of the Faculty Director overseeing the independent study. Please contact Dr. Torabi, torabik@tamu.edu, before you choose a prefix other than DHUM (and email Dr. DiCaglio if you choose an English prefix). Please also be aware that other departments may require additional documents for the creation of a 685 course.

**Final Step:**

Upon completing this form and collecting the additional materials, submit it and supporting documents to the Digital Humanities Certificate Coordinator, Dr. Katayoun Torabi, [torabik@tamu.edu](mailto:torabik@tamu.edu)