

**Request for Senior Thesis/Project in Music (MUSC 495)**  
**for the BS in Music Degree Capstone**  
Attach your proposal to this form with appropriate signature and submit it to the  
Chairperson of the Department of Music

This course is designed to give you the opportunity to work one-on-one with a Music faculty member on a subject you choose in consultation with the professor. Students must choose a topic for investigation with the advice of an instructor prior to registration. The student must accept major responsibility for successful completion of the project. The instructor's responsibility is to direct, appraise, and consult with the student to generate a professional and academically worthwhile project. Students must have the consent of the instructor and must have successfully completed MUSC 232, MUSC 234, and the required advanced composition course. The instructor may impose additional eligibility requirements as deemed necessary.

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

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_ TU Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Credits Earned: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

Semester Registering for MUSC 495: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

In order to be considered for MUSC 495, write a short proposal that addresses the following:

1. **Topic/Purpose:** What is the independent study/research project about? What question(s) will the project address? Why is the project worthwhile?
2. **Existing Knowledge:** What do you already know about this topic? Previous courses on this topic? This will require the specification of existing theory or concepts that are relevant or it might include relevant practical knowledge that the student has acquired through experience.
3. **Method:** What is the process for the project? In other words, how will you attempt to answer the questions articulated for number one above? Also include a description of the final outcome (paper - including length; project - include how/when this will be presented; research presentation, etc.
4. **Timeline:** Draft a timeline for completion of the paper/project by end of the semester that includes due dates for each section/part.
5. **Bibliography:** Provide a preliminary bibliography.

Project Advisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Project Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Department Chairperson Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Not Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_