



San Diego Community College District Application for Independent Study

City Mesa Miramar ECC Fall Spring Summer Year: 2019

Student Name: _____ Student ID Number: _____
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Course Information	
Subject: <u>Astronomy (ASTR)</u> (Department)	Course Reference No.: _____ (CRN)
Title of Course: <u>Astronomy Research Seminar</u>	Course No.: <u>290</u> Units: <u>1</u>
Name of Instructor: <u>Jae Calanog</u> (PRINT)	

Student agrees to work 48 hours on this project, but no less than a minimum of 48 hours per unit.

Project goals: The main goal is to produce a publication worthy, peer-reviewed research paper in double star astronomy.
This project also caters to provide experience for students with no research background.

Describe project methodology and activities: Students working in teams will be required to write and present
a research proposal. Students will perform telescope observations remotely and analyze the data. The research advisor
would then work with students in the paper writing process.


Describe how project is to be evaluated: The students will reach specific milestones over the semester, which includes
the proposal draft at least a peer-reviewed research draft. Both the proposal and the research results will be presented through
a talk to the local astronomy community

Indicate the frequency of and arrangements for consultation with the instructor: _____
Consultation with the instructor is typically about twice a week. Students for the most part would be working independently and would
consult with the instructor when complications arise with the project.

Specify any college facilities to be used: _____
No required college facilities will be used regularly, as most of the meetings are done online via Zoom. However, we do occasionally
hold informal meetings in the STEM help room in S6-109 or S6-110.

I accept this plan for independent study and certify that I have provided proper evidence showing the completion of the required prerequisites for the specified course.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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<input type="checkbox"/> Approved		<input type="checkbox"/> Denied	
Instructor's Signature 	Date <u>8/15/2019</u>	Department Chair's Signature _____	Date _____
Academic Dean's Signature _____	Date _____	Vice President of Instruction's Signature _____	Date _____

Distribution: Original sent to campus Admissions & Records Office at the time grades are submitted
Signed copy will be mailed to student upon approval
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