

## How to arrange for independent study, or research credit, or special topics for graduate students in Entomology at OSU

### **GRADUATE COURSE FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY:**

ENTMLGY 6193 is 'Individual Studies'. It is graded S/U. It is variable credit, 1-6 credit hours per term. Repeatable to a maximum of 6 credit hours or 6 completions. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor. This can be used for a student to learn about a topic for which a formal course is not available. It is typically done independently by a student under the guidance of the instructor. It can be used by MPH students for their focused project experience.

**NOTE ON SECTIONS FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY:** For 6193, every semester the master class schedule shows several sections of this course, with each section having the instructor listed as 'Staff' or as the name of a specific instructor who had a section the previous semester. Students can go ahead and sign up for a section if the desired instructor has an assigned section. If the desired instructor does not have a section, then the student or instructor should ask the Entomology Scheduling Coordinator to arrange a section, a simple process that usually takes only a day or two. Students should **not** sign up for a section that has just 'staff' listed as the instructor.

### **GRADUATE COURSES FOR THESIS OR DISSERTATION RESEARCH:**

ENTMLGY 8999, *through summer 2021 only*, is 'Research in Entomology,' which is for thesis or dissertation research credit, for MS and PhD students. It is graded S/U. It is variable credit, 1-15 credit hours. Repeatable to a maximum of 60 credit hours or 20 completions. Pre-requisite: none.

ENTMLGY 8999, *starting autumn 2021*, is 'Research in Entomology, PhD Post-Candidacy,' which is for dissertation research credit. Pre-requisite: PhD Grad student standing in Entomology, having completed the candidacy exam. It is graded S/U. It is variable credit, 1-16 credit hours. Repeatable to a maximum of 60 credit hours or 20 completions. Students should sign up for this course starting the semester after the candidacy exam is successfully completed.

ENTMLGY 8998, *starting autumn 2021*, is 'Research in Entomology, PhD Pre-candidacy,' which is for dissertation research credit. Pre-requisite: PhD Grad student standing in Entomology, without completion of a candidacy exam. It is graded S/U. It is variable credit, 1-16 credit hours. Repeatable to a maximum of 99 credit hours or 20 completions. Students should sign up for this up to and including the semester in which the candidacy exam is taken.

ENTMLGY 7999, *starting autumn 2021*, is 'Research in Entomology, MS' for thesis research credit. Pre-requisite: Graduate student standing in Entomology. It is graded S/U. It is variable credit, 1-16 credit hours. Repeatable to a maximum of 99 credit hours or 20 completions.

**NOTE ON SECTIONS FOR RESEARCH:** For the old 8999 and for the new 7999, 7998, and 8999, every semester, there are two sections for each Wooster-based advisor so that there is one section for that advisor's Wooster-based students one section for that advisor's Columbus-based students, and there is one section for every Columbus-based advisor.

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## **GRADUATE COURSE FOR SPECIAL TOPICS:**

**ENTMLGY 7890** is 'Special Topics in Entomology'. It is graded A-E. Credit hours are variable, 1 to 3, most often 1 credit hour. Repeatable to a maximum of 6 credit hours or 6 completions. Pre-requisite: none. This course typically has a seminar format, with a specific topic each time the course is offered, such as 'Invasion Ecology'. It is also used for a Journal Club. No approvals at the department or CFAES levels are needed for offering any section of this course.

## **PROCEDURE FOR OFFERING ENTMLGY 7890**

Details listed below should be submitted to our Entomology Scheduling Coordinator as a scheduling request at the same time that all regular courses are being submitted for scheduling, 6 to 8 months before the start of the term: by 1<sup>st</sup> December for summer and autumn courses, and by 1<sup>st</sup> July for spring courses. A course can be added at a later date but classroom space might not be available. Best to have scheduled before the graduate student enrollment window opens, which is mid-March for autumn semester, mid-October for spring semester, and mid-February for summer term.

Details needed:

- the instructor name(s) and OSU dot number(s)
- the number of credit hours
- the enrollment cap (maximum number of students permitted)
- the day and time to be offered (if known, or 'TBA' if not known)
- campus offered: Columbus or Wooster or both via videolink
- the topic name (usually just a few words, e.g. Invasion Ecology, or Journal Club)

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