

Economics 490—Directed Research

Semester: Fall Spring Summer Year: _____

Section #: _____ Units: _____

Student: _____ ID: _____

Local Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

ATTACH:

- Supervising professor name and contact information
- Approval from the Director of Undergraduate Studies, **Ladan Masoudie (masoudie@usc.edu)**
- Description of your research plans—Include the following information in your description:
 - Estimated number of meetings with your supervising professor
 - Any work to be done off-campus
 - How you will present your findings beyond required participation in the poster session (see below). If you plan to submit a research paper, include its estimated length.

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Student: Required Participation in Poster Session

At the end of each fall and spring semester, the Department of Economics will hold an event to celebrate undergraduate research. As part of the event, students who receive credit for ECON 490 will be required to attend and participate in a poster session to share their research. **Participation in this event is required to receive credit for ECON 490. The in-person research event for Fall 2024 will be held on Friday, December 6, 2024 and Spring 2025 will be held Friday, May 2, 2025. Note that students who register for ECON 490 for the summer semester must be available to participate in the poster session in the following fall semester.** Details about location and poster format will be provided.

Your signature below indicates that you understand the poster session requirement.

Student (signature): _____

Date: _____

Faculty Supervisor and Departmental Approval

"I, the supervising professor, agree to supervise the student's proposed research project as stated in attachment. In my opinion, the student is academically prepared and is intentionally capable of carrying out work that will be educationally beneficial. The project outlined is in conformity with the department's approved guidelines for the directed research course as outlined in the University's Catalog."

Supervising Professor (print): _____

Supervising Professor (Signature): _____ **Date:** _____

Director of Undergraduate Studies: _____ **Date:** _____

NOTE: Each unit of work should represent 45 hours of work during the semester.