Student/Faculty Contract for Biology 4955 (Individual Research)

If you are an undergraduate wishing to receive academic credit for individual research, you must complete 4 steps before enrolling in Biology 4955. These are:

1. Find a research supervisor, preferably a member of the Biology faculty.
2. Find a Biology faculty sponsor if the research supervisor is not a Biology faculty member. The sponsor would discuss your work with you several times during the semester, read your final report (see next section), consult with your research supervisor, and assign your grade.
3. With your research supervisor (and sponsor, if necessary) make a plan of your research duties and academic requirements for the semester and complete the contract below. The academic requirements include submission of an acceptable written report on your research. The student should distribute copies of the contract to the faculty and to the faculty sponsor.
4. When the contract is completed bring the original to the Biology Advising Office (Bldg 44, Rm 135) to receive a section #, class #, and permission #.

I. In exchange for ____ credit hours, I _______________________________(Student’s Name) agree to spend _____ hours per week on a project directed by _______________________________ (Research Supervisor’s Name) and to complete the obligations listed below. My research duties will include: __________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________
I will meet with my Research Supervisor _____ times. Also, I will meet with my Biology sponsor _____ times.
My written report is due _____________ and will include: __________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________
Other academic requirements ________________________________________________________________

Student’s Signature: ______________________________________ Date: ____________________________
Email address: ____________________________________________ U ID #: ___________________________

II. As Research Supervisor, I agree to supervise and direct the student’s research and to send a letter of evaluation and grade to the Biology Dept. Sponsor by the date set above for submission of the student’s report.

Research Supervisor’s Signature: _________________________________ Date: ______________________

Department affiliation of research supervisor: ___________________________ Phone: _______________

Email address of research supervisor: _________________________________________________________

III. If necessary, my Biology Dept sponsor will be _______________________________ (Professor’s Name).

As Biology Department sponsor, I agree to fulfill my duties as described in step 2 above.

Biology Dept. Sponsor Signature: ______________________________________ Date: __________________