

To our doctoral students who plan to take **LIS6909 (DIS)** give it a **REAL-TIME NAME, something better than DIS**, LIS6980 (Dissertation), LIS6911 (Research Collaboration, LIS6919 (SEMINAR): LIS8964 (**PRELIM EXAMINATION**) or LIS8985 (**DISSERTATION DEFENSE**)"0" **Zero credits each**. This is the information I need along with your faculty advisor's approval. PLEASE let's not wait until the last day to contact me. After you submit your request to me, check your schedule to make certain you are added to at least 3 days before the registration window closes.

Please fill out the form below, one semester at a time, unless registering for Summer and Fall. If you are filling out two semesters at a time, please indicate correct term and year.

To add more than what 's listed, you can cut and pasted to the end of this email.

Regards,

Ms. Marion Davis
644-8103

Name: Adam Worrall FSN: BX3461300

Instructor's name/signature Dr. Sanghee Oh

Course Name: Research Collaboration

Course Number: LIS 6911

Credit Hour(s): 3 (three)

Term/year: Spring 2011

Spring X \ Summer Session A (13 wks)\ _____ B(3 wks)\ _____ C (6 wks)\ _____ other _____ \ Fall _____

Faculty advisor name/signature Dr. Michelle M. Kazmer



LIS 6911 – Research Collaboration Request Form

Name of student: **Adam Worrall**
FSUID: **apw06**
Date began program: **August 2009 (Fall 2009)**
Date of this document: **5/9/2011**

Research collaboration provide doctoral students with an opportunity to work closely with faculty actively engaged in research in mutual areas of interest, first hand experience in the practicalities of research investigations, an opportunity to develop and strengthen research skills, experience in specific research methodologies, experience in interpreting and writing up research results, and a foundation to support dissertation research. Research collaboration should be seen as a rigorous investigation of a highly specific topic, calling for student initiative, and specified in a formal contract which should contain the following:

- (a) a written proposal including scope and purpose
- (b) a reasonable specific statement outlining the method to be used
- (c) a number and nature of expected faculty contacts throughout the term (e.g., weekly meetings, report sessions on readings, occasional consultation only, etc.)
- (d) basis for grading: description of the form in which the final product will be presented (e.g., written report, mediated presentation, software) including the scope and the number of deliverables ((e.g., the length or scope of a research paper)

The student should attach a printout of the contract to this form. The student is responsible for obtaining the necessary signatures. The student, the student's Major Professor, the proposed faculty must concur as to the suitability, scope, method, frequency of meeting, and deliverables of a Research Collaboration **before registering for the course.**

The completed form together with the contact will be kept in the student's file in College's administration office.

Amount of credit: 1 hour 2 hours 3 hours
 other (specify) _____ (departmental permission required for "other")

Term in which work will be done:

- Fall Semester _____
- Spring Semester **2011**
- Summer Term _____

Signatures:

_____	_____
Dr. Corinne Jörgensen , Academic Dean	Date
_____	_____
Dr. Michelle M. Kazmer , Major Professor	Date
_____	_____
Dr. Sanghee Oh , Faculty	Date
_____	_____
Adam Worrall , Student	Date

LIS6911 - RESEARCH COLLABORATION: LEARNING CONTRACT

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(a) a written proposal including scope and purpose

In this research collaboration, Adam Worrall will assist Dr. Sanghee Oh with research investigating the influence of social media in and on health information seeking and sharing behaviors. In particular, the quality of health information that people share in social contexts will be evaluated and Adam will be involved in collecting and analyzing health questions and answers from a social Q&A site, named Yahoo! Answers. The purposes of this collaboration include (a) broadening Adam's research experience about online data collection, and data analysis with a method of content analysis; (b) furthering the mutual research interests and agendas of both Dr. Oh and Adam; and (c) publishing papers, posters, and/or presentations about the research and its findings by all three collaborators on the project: Dr. Oh, Yong Jeong Yi (research assistant), and Adam.

(b) a reasonable specific statement outlining the method to be used,

It is expected Adam's duties will include helping manage a SQL database of questions and answers from Yahoo! Answers; conducting content analysis of health questions and answers using NVivo software; helping develop answer evaluation tools; and contributing substantially to the preparation of papers, posters, and/or presentations regarding the project and its findings. Other research activities that contribute towards the research project and the purposes of the collaboration may also be assigned as the project continues and evolves.

(c) a number and nature of expected faculty contacts throughout the term (e.g., weekly meetings, report sessions on readings, occasional consultation only, etc.):

In return for three credits of research collaboration, Adam will work on this project for an average of 10 hours per week during the spring semester, although his contributions may vary slightly from week to week. Research activities will be coordinated via e-mail and weekly meetings (on campus or online) for work reports and discussion. Research activities will take place primarily on campus, with work also completed at home and/or during conference travel.

(d) basis for grading: a description of the form in which the final product will be presented (e.g., written report, mediated presentation, software) including the scope and the number of deliverables (e.g., the length or scope of a research paper)

Both Adam and the work he completes will be evaluated as the semester progresses by Dr. Oh, who will provide feedback to Adam based on the work reports in weekly meetings. At the end of the semester, it will be required to submit a written work report to ensure the purposes of the collaboration are met, describing what kinds of research activities Adam has been involved in, what he has learned from the research experience, and how it has influenced his developing research interests in social media. Eventually, as part of this research collaboration it is expected that Adam will contribute substantially to at least one paper and/or one poster (both peer-reviewed) to be submitted for publication. It is Adam's intent that the paper will also serve to satisfy his publishable paper requirement.

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