Undergraduate Neuroscience

NEUROSCI 150 Research Practicum

Permission #__________

Student Name: ________________________________ Date Submitted:____________________

Print the term and year you plan to take this Neurosci 150 Research Practicum:
Spring _____, Fall _____, Summer session (I _____, or 2 _____) and Year: __________

Student ID #: __________________ (not Duke unique ID) Expected Grad Term/Year: __________________________
Phone: ___________________________ E-MAIL: _________________________________

Please briefly explain your project in relation to neuroscience: __________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________________

Overview
The primary intent of the Research Practicum is to introduce a student to faculty-directed research in a basic
science or clinical science setting. Typically, the course will include readings from primary and review
literature, data collection and analysis, and regular discussions among students, faculty and other research
associates working under the direction of the principal investigator. The Research Practicum is for preliminary
academic and “hands-on” research activities, which are important in their own right, but should be
distinguished from the more formally planned and intensive course of Independent Study. For many students,
Independent Study with the same faculty mentor will follow the Research Practicum. However, the Research
Practicum should be an appropriate means for students and faculty to explore the potential for Independent
Study and the greater level of commitment required from both parties. Although desirable in most cases,
students and faculty should recognize that successful completion of the Research Practicum does not obligate
either student or faculty to subsequent Independent Study.

The course is worth a half-credit and is graded on a Satisfactory/unsatisfactory grading only. Please note: no
course credit can be awarded for paid work.

This form should be completed and returned to the Office of Undergraduate Studies in Neuroscience, B022
LSRC (DIBS). Section and Permission numbers for registration will be emailed to you from that office after
approval.

REQUIRED FACULTY SIGNATURE

FACULTY MENTOR: With this signature, I acknowledge that I will meet with this student and oversee the
research done this semester, and this student has my consent to register for the Research Practicum in
Undergraduate Neuroscience, NEUROSCI 150.

1.) Faculty mentor/instructor:

x ____________________________________________________________

(faculty mentor/instructor signature) (PRINT faculty mentor/instructor name)

Faculty/Instructor Department: __________________ Faculty Mentor Email: _____________________________

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Assoc. Dir. Undergraduate Neuroscience Studies

Staff assistant—email sent: Y N