Common Syllabus for CURS 2990

Course Objective: This course is designed to give undergraduate students the opportunity to complete undergraduate research and/or creative activity in any discipline. The research and/or creativity activity can be outside of the student’s chosen major and can take place on either the Summerville or Health Sciences campus. The student and faculty member should agree upon a weekly and/or semester schedule. Roles and expectations of each member of the project should be outlined as well.

Learning Objectives:
Students will actively engage in an undergraduate research project and/or creative activity. As a result of this process, students should be to:

a) “Respond to questions/tasks implicit in a closed inquiry.”
b) “Collect and record required information/data using a prescribed methodology from prescribed source/s in which they information/data is not clearly evident.”
c) “Evaluate source/information/date using a choice of provided criteria to specify credibility and to reflect on the research process.”
d) “Organize information/data using a choice of given structures.”
e) “Ask relevant researchable questions.”
f) “Use discipline specific language and prescribed genre to demonstrate understanding from a stated perspective and for a specified audience. Apply to different contexts the knowledge developed.”*

Other learning objectives can be outlined by the faculty mentor.

Expectations:
This course is designed to be a zero or one credit course. Students can register for this course as a zero credit course if they do not wish to earn academic credit, but would like to receive recognition for their undergraduate research and/or creative activity outside of their required coursework. Reasons for taking this course for no credit could be related to the use of HOPE and/or payment of tuition and fees associated with credits. This course can be repeated.

This course will be on the student’s transcript. It is a pass/fail course. The student can fail the course if they do not complete the agreed upon requirements. Students do have the option to withdraw from the course in accordance with university policies and procedures. Only students in good standing with the university and their major should enroll in this course.