The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at Meeting #181, March 5, 2012:

**MOTION:**

The UAF Faculty Senate moves to approve a new category of registration, “Directed Study,” to allow a student to contract with an instructor to enroll individually in a course that exists in the catalog, outside of the regularly-scheduled sections of the course in a given semester. The difference between “Directed Study” and the current “Individual Study” would be that “Individual Study” would be reserved for contracted 1:1 courses that do not exist in the UAF catalog. Courses taken as Directed Study would be transcripted with the existing subject and course number from the catalog and the suffix (D.S.*).

**EFFECTIVE:** Fall 2012

**RATIONALE:** The majority of current Individual Study enrollments are actually for courses that exist in the UAF catalog. The student contracts with an instructor to take an individual section of the course outside of the regular course schedule. These are posted to the student’s transcript as a -97 course number. It then raises questions about course content for transfer credit to other institutions; does not meet prerequisites in Banner; and does not automatically feed into degree requirements in DegreeWorks. Reserving the -97 “Independent Study” designation only for courses that do not exist in the UAF catalog would minimize these problems for students and advisors.

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President, UAF Faculty Senate  Date  
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**APPROVAL:** [Signature]  
Chancellor's Office  
Date: 5 March 12

**DISAPPROVED:** [Signature]  
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Date: 
