

## 5MC Special Project in Science Registration Form

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This module provides academic credit of major research projects conducted by students prior to the Capstone project. This is an individual project to allow students with extraordinarily strong preparation to receive academic credit for research conducted at the level of a capstone project prior to the fourth year. This module is not substitute for the capstone project, and it does not in general provide credit towards the major. This module can only be taken once in the student's candidature.

A student wishing to elect **YSC4200 Special Project in Science** should not be engaged or intend to be engaged in any forms of paid or unpaid internship or research work relating to **this module**. In consultation with a faculty member, the student should craft a proposal outlining the nature of the project and the work he/she intends to finish during the semester. The deadline to submit the proposal to your Vice Rector is **5pm on Friday, 19 January 2018**.

Kindly read the following conditions carefully before submitting your Registration Form. With effect from Semester 2, AY2017/2018:

1. A student is allowed to read up to a maximum of two Independent Study modules [Independent Reading and Research (IRR), Independent Language Study and Research (ILSR) and/or Special Project in Science (SPS)] in a semester.
2. A student may read up to a maximum of 7MC from IRR, ILSR and/or SPS throughout the student's undergraduate career. If you have exceeded this limit, you are required to obtain the support of the Head of Studies of your major/minor and make an appeal to the Committee on Academic Standards (CAS) via your Vice Rector.
3. A student may count up to a **maximum of 5MC** from IRR, ILSR and/or SPS towards the **major or independent minor** with prior approval from Head of Studies (Major) or Coordinator (Independent Minor).
4. A student may count up to a **maximum of 2MC** from IRR and/or ILSR modules towards the requirements for a **minor** with prior approval from the Head of Studies (Minor).
5. In extremely rare circumstances, an exception to the maximum above may be approved by the Chair of the Curriculum Committee following the relevant Divisional Director's endorsement.
6. SPS cannot be counted towards requirements for a minor in Science and may only be read in your sophomore or junior years.
7. By default, IRR, ILSR and/or SPS are graded Completed Satisfactory (CS) or Completed Unsatisfactory (CU). However, if you wish to count the Independent Study module to a Major or Minor, the Independent Study module will registered as Letter Graded.
8. Requests to retroactively count such modules taken before Semester 2, Academic Year 2017/2018 toward a major will not be approved.

Section A - To be completed by the student			
Name of Student		Student ID	
Name of Project			
<b>Description of Project</b> Project can be literature-based or practical (lab, field, or studio work). Briefly outline the aims, methodology and expected outcomes by the end of the semester ( <u>where necessary, the supervisor should confirm that IRB approval has been applied for/obtained.</u> ) Please attach separate document for elaboration if necessary.			

**Activities to be undertaken**

(Student must spend at least 12.5 hours per week including meetings with faculty for a full semester.)

**Proposed Schedule of Meetings**

(Faculty and student should plan to meet at least once a week)

**Anticipated Project Outcomes**

**Goals and Values to the student(s)**

**Registration Details**

**This section is applicable if you wish to count the Special Project in Science (SPS) module to a major:**

- Only Letter Graded SPS modules can count towards Major. Approval from the HOS of the respective major must be obtained if you check the following box.
- By default, SPS modules are graded Completed Satisfactory (CS) or Completed Unsatisfactory (CU).
- If you checked this section, you will be registered to read the SPS module as Letter Graded. Once the module is allocated as Letter Graded, the decision is irrevocable. You may however exercise S/U option to convert the Letter Grade to Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) grade at the stipulated S/U declaration period at the end of the semester. Once you have exercised the S/U option, the module can no longer count to the Major although you have obtained prior approval from the HOS/Coordinator during the module registration period.

I would like to count this to my Major: \_\_\_\_\_

**Student**

Total MC of IRR/ILSR completed prior to this registration :

Total MC of SPS completed prior to this registration :

Total MC of Letter graded IRR/ILSR/SPS prior to this registration :

**Please sign and obtain your faculty supervisor's signature before submission to your Vice Rector(s). Your Vice Rector(s) will submit the form onwards to the HOS (if applicable) and Divisional Director for final approval. The outcome will be informed to you and your supervisor via Registry.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Student\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Date**Section B - To be completed by the Faculty Supervisor**

- I agree to supervise the student(s) on the proposed project as stated out in the above proposal.  
 I am supporting the student(s) to count this project to the Major the student(s) have indicated in Section A (Registration Details) above.

Comments from Faculty Supervisor (if any):

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Faculty Supervisor\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Date**Section C - To be completed by the Vice Rector(s)**

Comments from VR of Student (if any):  **Supported**  **Not Supported**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of VR of Student\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Date**Section D - To be completed by the Head of Study (applicable if the student is applying to count the module towards major).**

Comments for Student (if any):  **Supported**  **Not Supported**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of HOS of Student\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Section E - To be completed by the Divisional Director of the Faculty Supervisor**

Comments for Divisional Director (if any):

Approved

Not Approved

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Divisional Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Section F - To be completed by Yale-NUS Registry**

Verify total MC of IRR/ILSR completed prior to this registration :

Verify total MC of SPS completed prior to this registration :

Verify total MC of Letter graded IRR/ILSR prior to this registration :

Verify total MC of Letter graded SPS prior to this registration :

**5MC Special Project in Science Module Code:**

**Date of original approval:**

**Date of approved revision (if any):**

**Notes:**