**TES 490R • Independent Research and Development**

**Proposal Form**

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**Philosophy.** The TES 490R (Independent Research and Development) course is designed to provide the student with an opportunity to develop or investigate processes or activities that are not available through other courses. A TES 490R course can be approved as an elective for a technical emphasis, but the course is NOT to be used as a substitute for other classes taught within the major.

**Description.** Students are responsible for submitting a proposal and obtaining approval of the Project Director (advising faculty member) prior to registering. The Project Director may assist in refining the problem statement, but it remains the student’s responsibility to determine the problem and the methods involved in achieving the established objectives. The workload is based on 45 hours of work per semester credit hour.

**Problem Structure.** The problem statement should contain the following structure:

1. Title: Develop a concise, descriptive title

2. Description: Prepare a brief description of the problem including objectives, limitations, methodology, product/s to be developed, and an evaluation plan.

3. Approval: Complete the proposal and submit it with this cover sheet to your Project Director for signatures.

**Report:** Prepare a final written report to include

1. Copy of proposal

2. Completed time log including dates, hours, and description of work done

3. Conclusions (description of accomplishments including problems that were encountered and outcomes)

4. Expenditures encountered

5. Recommendations (suggestions for related projects)

6. Product/s produced

7. Evaluation of work

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Project Director Approval ___________________________ / Date

Distribution: Project Advisor, Student