The Independent Research Seminar is a mandatory, concentration-specific, two-credit class that GLS students take online during spring of their junior year in an asynchronous learning environment with real-time support. The course builds on the skills and content developed during the first two years of study; specifically, in the Writing, Approaches, and Global Topics classes. Its purpose is to help students prepare for the rigorous independent research they will do during their senior year for their thesis by allowing them to practice independent thinking and research and helping them move towards a potential area of investigation for the senior thesis. The content of this course is primarily focused on methodology and driven by the students’ thesis interests.

**Grading:** FAS Graded

**Repeatable for additional credit:** Yes