**BIOL 6900/8800/8999/9999 AGREEMENT AND APPROVAL FORM**
(These courses are graded only on S/U basis)

**Instructions:** All graduate students receiving a research assistantship for the semester must register for a total of 25 semester credit hours which must include Biol 6900, 8800, 8999 (Thesis research) or 9999 (Dissertation research). Students must complete this form each semester and get their advisor’s signature. Submit this form to the Graduate Coordinator’s Office – 483 PSC. Note: Students may register for Biol 8999/9999 only after choosing a research advisor and preparing a Thesis/Dissertation Proposal that has been approved by the Thesis/Dissertation Committee. Pre-Requisite/Co-Requisite Requirement: Students must have completed Biol 8550, Introduction to Graduate Studies, in order to receive a grade for Biol 6900/8800/8999/9999. Please check one of the following:

___ I have completed Biol 8550. Enter Semester and Year _______________________
___ I am registered for Biol 8550 during the current Semester (must appear in course selections below)

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**Note to PhD students: changes in course selections must be approved by your Program Director.**

**Title of Project:**

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**Brief Description:**

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All students taking Biol 8800/8999/9999 must submit a written report summarizing their research activities to receive a grade. All Biol 8999/9999 students must submit a research-based report. (See back for guidelines). The format for the research report must be chosen from one of the options above. The report is due on the last day of MWF classes. Students must submit one copy of the report to their advisor and a second copy to Candice Jones in the Biology Office (Room 495 PSC). Cover sheets (required) can be found under Graduate Student forms.

**Student’s Signature:**

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**Date:**

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**Advisor’s Signature:**

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**Date:**

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**Student’s Name:**

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**Status:** MS/PhD

**Concentration:**

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**Director of Graduate Studies/Dept. of Biology**

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**Program Director (1ST year PhD students only)**

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