Application for English 6996: The Master’s Project

This application is due four weeks prior to the start of the semester in which the student plans to complete the project.

Student’s name: ______________________________________________

Title of project: ______________________________________________

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Supervising professor’s name: __________________________________________

Semester in which project will be undertaken: ____________________________

Prospectus
Attach a formal prospectus of 2-5 pages which summarizes your project. A typical prospectus will include the following information:

- A brief review of scholarship surrounding the topic
- An indication of what novel or original idea you hope the project will convey
- A thesis statement articulating the proposed argument or a well-developed, open and answerable question that will be asked
- An explanation of the rationale for your topic; in other words, why you deem this project worth pursuing and how it will contribute to existing scholarship
- Your research and writing plan for the semester, including a clear indication of what final project will result (e.g. a 20-page paper)
- A working bibliography of primary and secondary sources you plan to include

Professor’s signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

GRADUATE COMMITTEE ACTION
Comments:

Approval: ___________________________ Date: __________