

Doctoral Thesis

Course Information

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- **Course Prefix and Number:** ISYE 9000 LAN
- **Term:** Fall 2026

Course Description

This course provides academic credit for independent thesis research conducted under the supervision of a Georgia Tech faculty advisor. The course does not involve regular class meetings, assignments, or examinations. The scope and direction of research are determined by the student in consultation with the thesis advisor, consistent with the requirements of the degree program.

Course Learning Outcomes

By enrolling in this course, students will:

1. Engage in independent research under faculty supervision.
2. Gain experience in formulating research questions and applying methods appropriate to their discipline.
3. Communicate research activity through interactions with their thesis advisor and, as applicable, their Thesis Advisory Committee.

Required Course Materials

No textbooks or materials are required. Resources for research are determined in consultation with the thesis advisor.

Grading Policy

This course is graded on a **Satisfactory (S) / Unsatisfactory (U)** basis.

- A grade of **Satisfactory (S)** indicates that the student has made acceptable progress in their research toward degree completion, consistent with the number of thesis credit hours for which the student is enrolled for the semester.
- A grade of **Unsatisfactory (U)** indicates that the student did not meet the expectations for satisfactory performance during the term.