Guidelines for Master's Integrative Project (I.P.)

The Integrative Project (IP) is a culminating project that is required for all MA and EdM degrees. The purpose of the IP is to provide the opportunity to demonstrate what you have learned by the end of your program.

The IP is a highly individualized project that is worked out between the student and the advisor. Students are required to discuss their projects with their advisors and obtain advisors' approval before undertaking the projects. Advisors are required to review project outlines before signing degree application forms.

The IP is generally a 25-35 page paper, designed to help integrate the coursework you have done at TC. The exact method of integration is up to the student and the advisor. It can be done in terms of research projects, themes, or internships that are tailored to your personal interests. Students should discuss the possibilities with their advisors and design their project around a specific topic that is of interest to them.

Important Dates:
Be aware of the college-wide deadlines for the Degree Application, which is due to the Office of the Registrar on the dates listed:

For Degree Awarded In:	Approval of Project by Advisor	First Draft of Project Paper Due to IP advisor	Degree Application Due to Registrar	Second Draft of Project Paper Due to Advisor	Final Draft of Project Paper Due to Advisor	Approval Due to Registrar
May	December 20	Mid-February	**February 1**	March 10	Mid-April	**April 30**
February	October 1st	Mid-October	**November 1**	Nov. 10	Mid-December	**January 2**
October*	May 1st (before summer holiday)	Mid-June	**August 1**		Mid-August	**September 1**

*This option depends on the availability and discretion of your advisor. Generally, faculty are not available for summer advisement or supervision of IPs. Please note: Deadlines are subject to change. Please consult your advisor in advance.

**The Degree Application can be accessed through Degree Audit on MyTC. Print your Degree Audit, have your advisor sign for approval, and turn in the form to the Registrar (324 Thorndike).

Instructions and deadlines on applying for graduation can be found on the Registrar's website.

Note that the IP is not done for credit, and does not count towards the credits needed for graduation.