FALL 2000

COURSE TITLE: NGR 6970 Thesis I
PRE/CO-REQUISITES: NGR 5810 (pre-requisite); NGR 6202L/NGR 6302L/NGR 6503L

CREDITS: Three (3) credits (Self-directed Study: 2 cr; Seminar: 1 cr)

PLACEMENT: Third Semester

FACULTY: Luz S. Porter, PhD, ARNP, FNP, Professor
Varied (for actual project/paper)

CLASS SCHEDULE: Monday, 4:00 - 6:00 PM (biweekly thesis seminars) SON Conference Room

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Refinement of research proposals focusing on methodology and pilot study. Hands-on experience on computerized data analysis.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Produce a sound research proposal.

2. Develop a research protocol for approval by the Institutional Review Board (IRB) for the Protection of Human Subjects.

3. Conduct a pilot study:
   a. Collect data according to approved data-collection plan,
   b. Conduct computerized data analysis as planned.
   c. Present meaningful report of findings.

4. Organize research findings according to standard format, utilizing appropriate visual aids (e.g., tables, pie charts, bar graphs)

5. Present meaningful discussion of research findings.

6. Project implications of findings for theory development and improvement of nursing practice.

7. Communicate research findings,
TEACHING STRATEGY:

Seminar discussion, research presentations, hands-on experience, pilot study, computerized data processing/analysis, individual conferences, group work, self-directed study.

REFERENCES:


Internet Research Resources (e.g., AHCPR, CDC, CINABL, Grateful Med)


COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Seminar Participation: You are expected to participate actively in all scheduled bi. weekly seminars.

2. Research Protocol for Human Subjects Review – Due Date: ____________

3. Pilot Study/Computerized Data Analysis – Due Date: ____________

4. Refined Thesis Proposal or Completed Research Project – Due Date: ________

EVALUATION METHOD:

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THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING AND HARDINESS IN PERSONS WHO ARE HIV+ OR DIAGNOSED WITH AIDS

A master's paper submitted in partial satisfaction of the requirements for the degree of
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In
NURSING

by
DATE: __________________

TO:  Divina Grossman, RN, PhD
    Director, School of Nursing

This master’s paper, written by ____________________________, and is entitled ____________________________, having been approved in respect to style and intellectual content, is referred to you for your judgment.

We have read this master’s paper and recommend that it be approved.

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Major Professor, Chair

Date of Oral Presentation: __________________________

The master's paper of ____________________________ is approved.

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