Course Proposal: New Course

1. Course prefix and number: NUR 358

2. Effective Year/Term: Fall 2012

3. CIP CODE/10 digit program code: 51.3801.00

4. Short Course Title: Exploring Grief

5. Enter course description exactly as it will appear in the general/graduate bulletin.

This course will provide an overview of the issues associated with grief and grieving. The focus will be on ethnocultural & spiritual perspectives. Students will reflect on death, dying, grief, & loss. This course will assist nurses to identify therapeutic communication strategies & skills required to meet the needs of those experiencing grief or loss.

6. Prerequisites: NUR 306

7. College: Sciences & Mathematics

8. Department Teaching Course: School of Nursing

9. Credit Hours:

Maximum: 1 Minimum: 1 Maximum Hours counted toward degree: 1

10. Maximum contact hours each week fall semester Lecture: 1 Lab: 0 Other: 0

11. May this course be taken more than one time each semester: No

12. Grade Type: Regular: A-F

13. Instruction Type: Lecture, discussion boards, readings, internet exploration

14. Will this course require additional library resources: Yes; database usage, computer assisted instruction, web-based testing

15. Does this course replace a course on the current/previously listed inventory: No

16. If Yes list the prefix and number: If not applicable enter N/A: N/A

17. What is the primary reason you are proposing this course?

Increase variety in prescribed nursing electives

18. Describe the place of the proposed course within your current curriculum. Will it be elective or required? Part of a major or a minor?

Not in current curriculum.  Prescribed nursing elective for nursing majors.

19. How does the proposed course differ from similar courses being offered at Stephen F. Austin?

Prescribed Nursing Elective

20. Syllabus: Course Learning Goals

List course objectives; describe what students who complete the course will know or be able to do.

Reflect on personal issues related to death, dying, grief, & loss

Examine ethnocultural considerations for grieving & end of life care.

Indentify care giving & healing strategies that assist in delivering care

Evaluate the role of the nurse when dealing with the dimensions of grieving

21. Syllabus: Course Outline

List the topics that the proposed course will cover and indicate the approximate proposed amount of time to be devoted to each, either by percent of course time or number of weeks. Please indicate which topics will be required in all sections of the course and which may vary.

Wk 1: Syllabus

Wk 2: Characteristics & issues of spiritual care

Wk 3-4: Spirituality, culture & health

Wk 5: Spiritual care

Wk 6: Spirituality & grieving

Wk 7-8: Stages & world of grief

Wk 9: Specific circumstances

Wk 10: Changing grief

Wk 11: Research: Cultural Aspects

Wk 12-14: Course wrap-up, exam

22. Syllabus: Proposed Textbook/Assigned Reading Materials for course

Selected readings.

Dept. Chair \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

College Curriculum Chair \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

College Dean \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grad Dean/Univ Curr Chair \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_