

Faculty Senate Course Form

Effective Date: **Fall 2026** Submission Date: 10/6/25

Department: Nursing

College of: Arts & Sciences

Contact Person: Karen Johnson

Create New, Revise, Inactivate, or Reactivate: **Revision**

Course #: **NURS 605**

Course Form:

- Used to create new course numbers or new prefixes.
- Used to change Name, Grading, Hours, Description, Reactivate
- Used to inactivate a course from the current catalog. Courses are never deleted. They are made inactive and can be legislated to become active again.

1. Purpose/Justification for the New course or Changes to existing:

Alignment with newly revised AACN Essentials and implementation of competency-based education.

2. Is this related to, and/or affect, any other department/college/unit curricula or programs at Pittsburg State University? *If "Yes", please provide an explanation. Provide documentation of any discussions (e.g. copies of emails, memos, etc.) that have occurred.*

Yes No

3. Is this course to be considered for General Education?

If "yes" this requirement will need approval of the General Education Committee after the revisions have been approved by Faculty Senate. The General Education Course Approval form will also need to be submitted.

Yes No

4. Will this course be required of any education majors?

If "yes," this requirement will need approval of the Council for Teacher Education before upload to "College Curriculum Legislation" in SharePoint.

Yes No

5. Will additional resources or costs be required?

Yes No

If so, what will be needed?

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6. Will any additional course fees be required (e.g. equipment, clothing, travel, licensing, etc.)?

If "yes," complete the Course Fee Form on the Faculty Senate website, it will need to gain approval of the President's Council.

Yes

No

7. Objectives/Student Learning Outcomes for NEW courses only, as it will appear in the syllabus:

Attach with upload.

8. Assessment Strategies (e.g. exams, projects, university rubric, etc.), as it will appear in the syllabus:

Attach with upload.

Course Numbers cannot be changed, only created.

	Existing	New/Proposed
Title:	Independent Study	Independent Study
Course Number:	NURS 605	NURS 605
Credits:	1-6	1-6
Grading System:	A-F, IN	A-F, IN
Pre/Co-Requisite(s):	None	None
Course Description:	Development of a project under direct supervision of appropriate faculty member. Prerequisite: Completion of Level I nursing courses or permission of instructor. May be repeated if subject matter differs.	Self-directed development of a project under direct supervision of appropriate faculty member.

Authorization Sign-Off

Checklist: Check once verified.



- Required fields completed.
- Syllabus attached for new courses
- Assignment Strategies Attached

-Approved: Department Chair/Director

Date: 10/16/25

Signature, Chair/Director:

Amy White

-Approved: College Curriculum Committee

Date: 1/14/26

Signature, Committee Chair:

Christopher Bilders

-Approved: Dean of College

Date: 1/14/26

Signature, Dean:

Christopher Bilders

-Approved: Council for Teacher Education (if applicable)

Date: _____

Signature, Council Chair:

-Approved: University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Date: _____

Signature, Committee Chair:

-Approved: Faculty Senate

Date: _____

Signature, Recorder Faculty Senate:

Originating Departments(s): After completing this form, please upload it to the SharePoint, within the appropriate College folder, "Preliminary Legislation", to allow for review and questions. Any modifications should be saved as "original file name.v2.docx" and uploaded as well.

Following final College Curriculum Committee approval, please apply the appropriate signatures, and send them to your College Administrator.

Course Name: Independent Study

Course Number: NURS 605

Credit Hours:

Theory: 1-6

Clinical: 0

Clinical Experiences	Clock Hours
Direct Patient Care	0
Observation	0
Simulation	0
Precepted	0
Lab	0

Course Description

Self-directed development of a project under direct supervision of appropriate faculty member.

Course Objectives

Course Objective	PSU SON Program Objectives	AACN Domain, Competency, & Sub-Competencie(s) Alignment	Learning Activities	Behavior Indicators: Developing (1-2)	Behavior Indicators: Developed (1-2)
Examine professionally reviewed articles on topics related to selected topic.	4, 8, 10	D: 4, 8, 10 C: 4.1, 8.2, 10.2 SC: 4.1a, 4.1b, 4.1c, 4.1d, 4.1f, 4.1g, 8.2d, 8.2e, 10.2d	Project	TBD	TBD
Summarize and synthesize nursing literature to inform and enhance the project's design and practical application.	2, 4	D: 2, 4 C: 2.5, 4.2 SC: 2.5c, 2.5d, 4.2a, 4.2b, 4.2c, 4.2e	Project	TBD	TBD
Evaluate nursing content from professional journals to ensure relevance and applicability to the project's objectives and future nursing practice.	1, 5, 6	D: 1, 5, 6 C: 1.3, 5.2, 6.3 SC: 1.3b, 1.3c, 5.2a, 5.2f, 6.3a	Project		