

Nursing 496
Independent Study

Policies

The Nursing 496 Independent Study (NURS 496) involves only independent theory course work (i.e., no clinical component). The student has the responsibility of initiating a *Request for Assignment to NURS 496* in writing before the beginning of the semester for which NURS 496 is requested. Students will have completed all 300-level courses prior to enrollment in NURS 496. Exceptions to this policy must be cleared through the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs or the CON Commonwealth Campus Nursing Program Coordinator. The student should request the specific number of semester credits to be assigned.

Procedures

1. Obtain a NURS 496 application packet from the College of Nursing's website at [NURS 496 form](#).
2. Make an appointment with the instructor. The student and faculty member must complete the *Request for Assignment to NURS 496* and Section I of the *Record of Independent Study*, and submit both forms to the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs for those at UP/HMC or the Commonwealth Campus Nursing Program Coordinator.
3. The student is **responsible** for registering for the course via LionPATH **after** approval of the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs or the Nursing Program Coordinator.
4. A signed copy of the *Request for Assignment to NURS 496* and a copy of the *Record of Independent Study* will be returned to the student and instructor.
5. The *Record of Independent Study* form will be returned to the instructor at the end of the semester; Section II is then completed.
6. Evaluations (*Record of Independent Study*) are due in the College of Nursing's Academic Affairs Office for UP/HMC or CON Commonwealth Campus Nursing office within 48 hours after the last day of classes in the semester.
7. Final grades must be posted to LionPATH within 48 hours after the last day of classes in the semester.

The Pennsylvania State University
COLLEGE OF NURSING

Request for Assignment to NURS 496

Last Name: First Name: Middle Initial:

PSU ID #: Date: Email:

Student Local Address:

Include Apt. #, Street address, zip code

Tel #:

Area of Study:

Brief Justification for Request:

Number of Credits (see instructions): Semester: Year:

Previous NURS 496? No Yes If yes, when & # of credits:

For College Use Only

Faculty: Approved Denied

Date: Comments:

Associate Dean/Campus Coordinator: Approved Denied

Date: Comments:

Processed:

Return completed form to: College of Nursing Undergraduate Associate Dean at University Park (106 Nursing Sciences Building), or Hershey Medical Center (1300 ASB/A110), or CON Commonwealth Campus Nursing office.

NURS 496 - Record of Independent Study

This *Record of Independent Study* must be used for all independent or individually arranged student learning experiences. It is to be completed by the student and faculty and submitted to the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs for those at UP/HMC or the CON Commonwealth Campus Nursing Program Coordinator before the beginning of the semester.

Section I:

1. Title or descriptive statement of the Independent Study.

2. Purpose of the Independent Study.

3. Program and/or student objectives and experiences for the Independent Study.

4. Method used to evaluate the objectives (e.g., oral/written examination, paper, report, observation, etc.).

Section II: (To be completed at the end of the semester)

1. How well were the program and/or student objectives achieved/not achieved?

Number of credits :

Grade:

Faculty Signature:

Date:

Student Signature:

Date:

Student PSU ID #: