

# NURS - 797 - Dissertation

2 Graduate Course Change 2021-22

## I. General Information

The faculty member originating this proposal is to complete sections I,II, and III.

TURN ON help text before starting this proposal by clicking  in the top right corner of the heading.

You will need to turn on help text again after any actions that refresh the page including after saving proposals, importing information, or running impact reports.

IMPORT curriculum data from the Catalog by clicking  in the top left corner.

Do not make any changes to any information until the proposal has been launched in Step 4.

Department\*

School of Nursing

Prefix\*

NURS

Number\* 797

Long Course Name\* Dissertation

FILL IN ONLY fields required marked with an \* after importing data. You will not be able to launch the proposal without completing required fields. Do not make proposed changes to the information that was imported until after the proposal has been launched in Step 4. Changes will only be tracked after the proposal is launched

Short Course Name  
(leave blank if not  
changing course  
name)

Catalog Description\*

Research analysis and writing toward completion of dissertation and subsequent defense.

Is this course a  
culminating  
experience?\*

Yes  No

If Yes, to which

PhD in Nursing

Tips for Catalog Description (above)

- avoid the use of the words *student*, *course*, and *covers*
- incomplete sentences are ok
- avoid repeating the course title  
(50 words max)

Summary of Proposed Changes\*

- Prefix
- Course Number
- Name
- Description
- Credits/Grading
- PreReqs/CoReqs
- Instructional Mode
- Other (e.g. Combination / Cross-listing; Notes; Fees, ...)


Effective Term and Year\*

Spring 2021

Justification and Description of Course Change:\*

**Background** – all PhD students are required to complete a minimum of 12 dissertation credits (they may take more but cannot take less and meet the graduation requirements). Currently 797 is listed as variable credit (**3 - 6 credits**).

**Proposed Action:** I would like to revise the variable credit to be **1 - 6 credits** as it aligns more with the revised requirements of necessary credits per semester and provides more flexibility for our students' programmatic needs.

Run an Impact Report by clicking  in the top left corner and answer below according to the results. Copy and paste the results below:

Degree and/or certificate program(s) impacted by this change (Results of Impact Report)\*

## Impact Report for NURS 797

Source: 2020-2021 Graduate Catalog	
Formerly	NURS 798 - Independent Study
Programs	Doctor of Philosophy - Nursing
	Post Graduate Certificate in Biobehavioral Nursing

Substantive changes will necessitate a Program Change form be submitted.

**Detail the changes to the program catalog entry required due to this change.\***

The only change in the catalog is the lower number of credits to be changed from 3 to 1. So it should read **1- 6 credits** instead of 3-6 credits.

**CROSS-LISTING / Same As, will this course be:\***

- Same As=Undergraduate: same content and same career (UG/UG). Graduate: Same/similar course content and same career (Grad/Grad)
- Cross-listing= Cross-listed courses contain the same or similar content and may be in different programs (eg., WMST 497 & SOC 497) or different careers (e.g., BIOL 467 & BIOL 667 or PSC 722 & PHIL 728)
- Not Cross-Listed or Same As

**If yes, list the course (or type "none")\***

none

**Are you adding a Service-Learning designation to this course?\***

- Yes  No

If the Service-Learning designation is being added to this course:

A syllabus in Word or PDF format must accompany this form.

Graduate syllabi must meet the minimum criteria as required by the Provost's office (See Semester Memo under Executive Vice President and Provost Policies and Forms <https://www.unlv.edu/policies/current-policies>). Graduate courses that are linked to undergraduate courses (300/500 and 400/600 level joint courses) must clearly state in the syllabus how the class experience and expectations are different for graduate students, what additional requirements students enrolled in the graduate level course must fulfill, and how the grading scale will be applied to graduate students.

Please attach a current syllabus by navigating to the Proposal Toolbox and clicking  in the top right corner.

Information about Service-Learning is available [here](#). Faculty can visit the [faculty Service-Learning page](#) as well as the [UNLV Guide for Service Learning](#) for additional information.

**If adding Service-Learning designation, syllabus is attached**

- Attached

## II. Course Change Information

Please review all sections below and make necessary changes after you launch the proposal.

Prefix and Number Change

Current Prefix

and/or Number

New Prefix and/or Number

### Credit change

Fixed/Variable Credits  Fixed  Variable

If fixed, enter number of credits. If variable, enter minimum and maximum credits (E.g., 1-3)

Number of Credits 1-6

Course is Repeatable  Yes  No

If yes, the maximum number of credits that may be earned is 12

### Grading Change

Grading System  Letter Grade  
 S/U  
 Thesis/Dissertation

Does this course have any non-credit components?  Yes  No

If yes, indicate component(s)

- Clinical
- Discussion
- Field Studies
- Independent Study
- Internship
- Laboratory
- Lecture
- Practicum
- Research
- Seminar
- Supervision
- Thesis Research

### Requisite Change

(if any) - Graduate standing is the default prerequisite for all graduate-level courses.

Prerequisites Enrollment in nursing doctoral program and consent of instructor

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### Corequisites

Differential fees required for this course? (if yes, please clarify on justification field above)\*  Yes  No

Instructional Modes  In Person Supplemental Web  
 Field Study  
 Hybrid  
 Independent Study  
 Television  
 Web-based  
 Web-based w/ on/off campus meeting

Notes Displayed - notes in this field are imported from the current version of the course displayed on the working catalog

## III. Evaluation of Library Resources

Indicate library resources that will be needed as a result of changes to this course (if applicable)

Will this course change require changes to library resources?\*  Yes  No


Core Journals

Core Books

Electronic Resources

4. LAUNCH proposal by clicking  in the top left corner.

5. After launching the proposal, make all changes and fill in all additional fields.

6. Finish the launch of your proposal by clicking the icon  located in the Proposal Toolbox on left side at top. Make your decision, comment is optional, and click on "Make decision".

You can check the status of the proposal by clicking  in Proposal Toolbox to verify that the proposal has gone to the next step.

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**\*This section is completed by the librarian\***


**Level of support the  
Library can provide**

**Library Comments**

**IV. Department Vote Information**

**Note:** This section is to be filled out by the Department Chair on behalf of the committee.

(The role has been assigned to the corresponding person on this step. If incorrect, please notify GradCurriculum@unlv.edu)

1. Review the proposal. Discuss and make appropriate revisions.
2. Fill in vote information.
3. Then go to the proposal toolbox at the top right side. Click on  and select the corresponding decision for the committee. This will enable the proposal to go to the next person on the workflow.

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**Date faculty voted  
on proposal**


**Result of vote  
(Number of  
yes/no/abstention  
votes)**

**Manner of vote  
(online, in-person,  
etc.)**

**V. Unit Vote Information**

Note: This section is to be filled out by the College Committee Chair on behalf of the committee.

(The role has been assigned to the corresponding person on this step. If incorrect, please notify GradCurriculum@unlv.edu)

1. Review the proposal. Discuss and make appropriate revisions.
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## VII. Processing Notes (Graduate College/Registrar Use Only)

PS Processing Notes

PS Processing Date 4/19/2021

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Aalog Processing  
Notes

Aalog Processing Date 04/19/2021

Initials

## Comments for NURS - 797 - Dissertation

<b>Curriculog</b>	4/19/2021 3:08 pm <a href="#">Reply</a>
This proposal has been completed.	
<b>REG Curriculum</b>	4/19/2021 3:08 pm <a href="#">Reply</a>
----- Forwarded Message ----- <b>From:</b> Registrar - Curriculum [curriculum@unlv.edu] <b>Sent:</b> 4/19/2021 3:01 PM <b>To:</b> catherine.dingley@unlv.edu <b>Cc:</b> rebecca.benfield@unlv.edu; elizabeth.gardner@unlv.edu; laina.gleason@unlv.edu; summerterm@unlv.edu; scheduling@unlv.edu <b>Subject:</b> RE: NUTS 797  Hello, NURS 797 implementation completed for the credits change (1-6 credits), please check all course details and let us know if you find any errors (curriculum@unlv.edu) before scheduling the course.  MyUNLV date effective 4/19/2021  Thank you, curriculum@unlv.edu Office of the Registrar	
<b>Curriculog</b>	4/19/2021 3:08 pm <a href="#">Reply</a>
REG Curriculum has approved this proposal on Implementation: Catalog and PeopleSoft.	
<b>Curriculog</b>	4/5/2021 10:07 am <a href="#">Reply</a>
Emily Lin has approved this proposal on Graduate College Dean.	
<b>Curriculog</b>	4/2/2021 10:37 am <a href="#">Reply</a>
James Navalta has approved this proposal on behalf of Graduate Course Review Committee. See <a href="#">Graduate Course Review Committee 3-24-2021</a> for more information.	
<b>Curriculog</b>	4/2/2021 8:48 am <a href="#">Reply</a>
Graduate Curriculum has approved this proposal on Graduate Course Review Committee.	
<b>Curriculog</b>	2/5/2021 10:09 am <a href="#">Reply</a>
Nursing Associate Dean has approved this proposal on School/College Associate Dean/Dean.	



Curriculog

2/5/2021 10:09 am [Reply](#)

Nursing Associate Dean has approved this proposal on School/College Committee.

Curriculog

2/5/2021 10:09 am [Reply](#)

Nursing Associate Dean has approved this proposal on Department Chair.

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2/5/2021 10:08 am [Reply](#)

Nursing Associate Dean has approved this proposal on Graduate Coordinator.

Curriculog

2/2/2021 2:31 pm [Reply](#)

Graduate Curriculum has approved this proposal on Technical Review.

Catherine Dingley

2/2/2021 2:16 pm [Reply](#)

I responded to the question posed by the GC.  
Thank you!

Curriculog

2/2/2021 2:16 pm [Reply](#)

Catherine Dingley has approved this proposal on Originator.

Graduate Curriculum

11/5/2020 10:57 am [1 Reply](#) | [Reply](#)

- Please clarify, on Justification and Description of Course Change, what is meant by:  
"Graduate College revised requirements of necessary credits per semester"

Catherine Dingley

11/9/2020 7:05 am

I am referring to the following that was indicated in April's GC Council meeting:

"Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 1 graduate credit in any semester when they are proposing, defending, or testing (preliminary, qualifying, comprehensive, or final exams), and a minimum of 3 credits in the semester in which they graduate."

Revising the 797 credits from 3-6 changing to 1 - 6 gives students the option of taking the number of credits that align with the amount of work and with this GC requirement of only 1 credit as minimum.

Curriculog

11/5/2020 10:57 am [Reply](#)

Graduate Curriculum has rejected this proposal on Technical Review.

**Catherine Dingley**

11/4/2020 1:43 pm [Reply](#)

**This request is to change the range of variable Dissertation credits from 3 - 6 to 1 - 6 credits. This allows students to take less credits when they need to and is a better fit with their programmatic needs.**

**Curriculog**

11/4/2020 1:43 pm [Reply](#)

**Catherine Dingley has approved this proposal on Originator.**

**Curriculog**

11/4/2020 1:40 pm [Reply](#)

**Catherine Dingley has launched this proposal.**

**Curriculog**

11/4/2020 12:57 pm [Reply](#)

**Catherine Dingley imported from the map 2021-2022 Working Graduate Catalog into the following proposal fields: I.General Information: Prefix, I.General Information: Number, I.General Information: Long Course Name, I.General Information: Catalog Description, II. Course Change Information: Number of Credits, II. Course Change Information: Prerequisites.**