

**University of Washington Tacoma**  
**Master of Nursing Program**  
**Scholarly Inquiry Plan and Student Contract**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Project\_\_ Thesis \_\_ Coursework Option \_\_

Directions: MN students must obtain approval for this Scholarly Inquiry Plan first from the Chair of the Supervisory Committee, and then the committee members **prior to implementing the plan**. An approved plan is indicated by the student's and supervisory committee members' signatures on this form and on the *Agreement to Serve on Supervisory Committee* Form.

1. Scholarly Inquiry Plan:

- a) **Project or Thesis option:** On a separate document, briefly describe the plan for scholarly inquiry. Include a brief description of the problem, purpose, process (methods), what will constitute evidence of satisfactory completion (i.e. anticipated product created as part of scholarly inquiry), and projected timeline for completion. **This plan will be drafted during the one-credit TNURS 597 seminar (Spring quarter).**
- b) **Coursework option:** Do not take the one-credit TNURS 597 seminar. Follow proposal instructions on MN web page. Note that **two 3 credit courses at the 500-level meet the minimum requirements for this option, and one credit of TNURS 596 is required during the final quarter of study to complete the culminating paper.**

2. Expectations of faculty:

- a) Faculty will return drafts with comments within 2 weeks of receiving them (except during quarter breaks).
- b) Faculty will review student's progress quarterly.
- c) Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Expectations of the graduate student:

- a) Student will keep Supervisory Committee Chair and member(s) updated on progress, proposed changes to scholarly inquiry plan, and timeline changes.
- b) The Checklist for Scholarly Papers should be used as a resource for each draft student submits to faculty (see Nursing web-page).
- c) Student will not submit final product in any form to a digital commons (including the UWT digital commons) unless there is explicit, signed agreement from committee members and (if applicable) representative from collaborating agency.
- d) Student agrees to discuss authorship of any publication with chair and committee members.
- e) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Proposed timeline for submission of drafts of paper: [dates can be renegotiated as needed, however, late submissions by student may result in extension of the project and the need to register for additional quarters]

Product	Due date for student submission	Due date for faculty response

Date                      Approval Signatures

_____	_____	Chair, Supervisory Committee
_____	_____	Committee Member
_____	_____	Committee Member
_____	_____	Student

Distribution of Form: Supervisory Chair; Student