

2a. Understand and engage local school and cultural communities and communicate and foster relationships with families/guardians/caregivers in a variety of settings.

Nursing 187 Leadership Role/Experienced Nurse Project

LEADERSHIP ROLE

(For students except those choosing Experienced School Nurse Project)

Students may earn up to a maximum of ten (10) hours for actively pursuing a **Leadership Role** related to school nursing. For example: Presentation of a school nurse issue/or student health concern to a school board, community group, parent group, school staff; a leadership role in a professional or community organization; chairing a school site committee; leadership role in health education; developing a school site plan for disaster/emergency health management; a fund raising activity related to children's health, or participation in legislative advocacy relevant to children's health or school nursing. This leadership role may be one that comes up during the semester. This is NOT an option for students who choose to complete an Experienced School Nurse Project. This activity is designed to assist students who are limited in time away from their worksite.

OR

EXPERIENCED SCHOOL NURSE PROJECT

(School Nurses with 2 or more years of elementary school nursing experience)

A Project will take the place of one of the three student goals. The project must be approved by the student's preceptor and based upon a recognized need. This may take place at the student's own school or that of the student's preceptor. It must be something that would benefit other school nurses and/or the school district in general.

Examples of projects:

- o Developing a PowerPoint presentation that can be used as a school board presentation, an in-service of staff or presentation to parent group.
- o Getting involved in a research project or a survey, i.e., gathering data to determine the need for a program; follow-up activities; etc.
- o Involvement in a grant writing project to fund a program/purchase equipment.
- o Working on a segment of a coordinated school health and wellness program with another district department; psychology services to develop a program related to school safety or awareness of mental health issues, bullying awareness and prevention, or physical education department to facilitate exercise, nutrition, etc.
- o Developing a resource binder of relevant community agencies; planning and carrying out a health fair on campus.

Completion of Experienced School Nurse Practicum Project Proposal:

1. Project proposal must include a statement justifying the project, timelines for its completion within the semester, and the preceptor's initials signifying approval. (Form is included in syllabus) A copy of completed form is to be sent to the clinical instructor with **Module 1** work.
2. **For Module 2 and Module 3**, project progress notes must be written up separately from other journaling and include details regarding time spent on the project.

3. *On completion of the project, the student's preceptor is to sign off on the project on the original form. The signed completed project proposal, along with an electronic/hard copy of the project is to be sent to the student's clinical instructor.*