

Doctoral Dissertations

Spring 2023

Erin Ethridge-Bagley

Title: The Lived Experience of Families who Donate Their Neonate's Organs: A Hermeneutic Phenomenological Study

Chair: Dr. Dawn Hawthorne

Committee Members: Dr. Shirley Gordon, Dr. Howard Butcher, Dr. Diane Sherman, and Dr. Charlotte Barry

Marla Mygatt

Title: Adolescents' Experiences with Equine-assisted Learning through a Unitary Caring Perspective

Chair: Dr. Marlaine Smith

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Fall 2022

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Title: The Relationship Between Adverse Childhood Experiences, Resilience, and Physical and Mental Health Among Adults in Saudi Arabia

Chair: Dr. Marlaine Smith

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Hanan Alfahd

Title: The Influence of Nurse-Caring Factors on Patient Safety Culture

Chair: Dr. Joy Longo

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Samirh Alqhtani

Title: The Lived Experience of Family Caregivers of Persons with Serious Mental Illness In Saudi Arabia

Chair: Dr. Beth King

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Seham Alselami

Title: The Unitary Caring Lived Experience of Uncertainty Among Family Caregivers of Persons with a Stroke During the Hospital Stay in Saudi Arabia

Chair: Dr. Howard Butcher

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Supavadee Thiengham

Title: Family caregiving during transitional care: An ethnographic exploration of Thai-Isan family caregivers providing care for surviving stroke older adults

Chair: Dr. Lenny Chiang-Hanisko

Committee Members: Dr. Deborah D'Avolio, Dr. Ayse Torres, and Dr. Wanapa Sritanyarat

Summer 2022

Kathleen Cappo

Title: Applying Story-Guided Dialogue to Examine Social Connections for Rural Caregivers of Persons Living with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias During a Global Pandemic

Chair: Dr. Lisa Wiese

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Spring 2022

Angelica Hernandez

Title: The Relationship Between Nurse Caring and Readiness to Transition from Hospital to Home or Other Care Setting

Chair: Dr. Terry Eggenberger

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Fall 2021

Cassandra Horne

Title: Acculturative Stress in Second-generation Haitian Americans

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Summer 2021

Elizabeth Adenmosun

Title: The Knowledge of and Attitudes Towards Sexual Risk Behaviors among Nigerian American Adolescents.

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Committee Members: Dr. Safiya George and Dr. Mary Cameron

Hayam Albalawi

Title: The Lived Experiences of Saudi-born Parents Who Have Delayed Vaccines for their Children Prior to School Age.

Chair: Dr. Andra S. Opalinski

Committee Members: Dr. Charlotte D. Barry and Dr. Mary M. Cameron

Bandana Neupane Poudel

Title: A Comparative Study of Resilience in Later Life in the U.S. and Nepal.

Chair: Dr. Ruth Tappen

Committee Members: Dr. David Newman, Dr. Debra Hain, and Dr. Neldes Regina Marranzini

May Rosenzweig

Title: The effects of vignettes about dementia on stigma and attitudes toward dementia among ethnically and racially diverse older adults in South Florida.

Chair: Dr. Debra Hain

Committee Members: Dr. Lenny Chiang-Hanisko and Dr. Luz Restrepo

Spring 2021

Armiel Suriaga

Title: A Statewide Analysis of the Social Determinants of Opioid-Related Deaths in Older Adults.

Chair: Dr. Ruth Tappen

Committee Members: Dr. David Newman, Dr. Lenny Chiang-Hanisko, and Dr. JuYoung Park

Fall 2020

Régine Placide Reaves

Title: The Lived Experience of Parents of Children with Special Healthcare Needs on Public and Private Insurance: A Phenomenological Study

Chair: Dr. Lenny Chiang-Hanisko

Committee Members: Dr. Patricia Liehr and Dr. Karina Gattamorta

Elizabeth Olafson

Title: Finding Our Unique Path: Embodying Parenting in the Midst of Conflicting Complexity

Chair: Dr. Charlotte Barry

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Summer 2020

Shannon Constantinides

Title: Thriving in Healthcare Providers: Relationship with Emotional Exhaustion & Impact on Primary Care Population Health Outcomes

Chair: Dr. Debra Hain

Committee Members: Dr. David Newman and Dr. Austin Bailey

Kelley Jackson

Title: Diet Coaching to Improve Protein Intake in Middle-Aged Women

Chair: Dr. Sareen Gropper

Committee Members: Dr. David Newman, Dr. Deborah D'Avolio, and Dr. Dennis Hunt

Ayse Malatyali

Title: The Influence of Mental, Physical, and Social Activity on Episodic Memory of Persons over 50 in the U.S.

Chair: Dr. Shirley Gordan

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Laurie Martinez

Title: The Lived Experiences of Adolescents with Food Allergies During a Usual Weekday

Chair: Dr. Andra Opalinski

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Mercedes Rodriguez

Title: Fleeing One's Homeland: Health Challenge of Cuban Refugees from the Mariel Boatlift

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Cheryl Wallin

Title: Community Based Participatory Research Using the Photovoice Approach to Identify Health Priorities for a Vulnerable Underserved Community in Uganda, Africa

Chair: Dr. Charlotte Barry

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Natalie Bermudez

Title: Psychometric Evaluation of the Moral Comfort Questionnaire amongst Hospital-Based Direct-Care Registered Nurses

Chair: Dr. Ruth Tappen

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Misako Nagata

Title: Exploring the Factors of Natural Space on Well-being of Urban-dwelling Children

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Fall 2019

Carol Reive

Title: The Effects of Equine-Assisted Psychotherapy on Mindfulness, Self-Reflection, Insight and Psychological Well-being

Chair: Dr. Marlaine Smith

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Ashley Rivera

Title: Exploring the Social Process of Caregiving in Fathers: A Grounded Theory Study

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Usar Suragarn

Title: The Impacts of Living Arrangements, Healthy Aging, and Well-being among Older Thai Adults

Chair: Dr. Debra Hain

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Summer 2019

Raquel Brown

Title: Use of Complementary Therapies for Diabetes Mellitus by Jamaican Adults in South Florida: A Focused Ethnography

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Stacey Ravid

Title: Descriptive Exploratory Study of Individuals' Use Of: Pulsed Electromagnetic Fields: The Micro-Pulse: For Pain Relief

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Linda Cassidy

Title: The Relationship Among Healthy Work Environments, Nurse Caring, and Nursing-Sensitive Patient Outcomes in Magnet Hospitals

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Spring 2019

Joy Sessa

Title: Stroke Prevention in A Neighborhood With a High Incidence of Stroke: Exploring A Community's Understanding

Chair: Dr. Kathryn Keller

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Gina Daye

Title: Effects of a Faith-Based Health Devotional on Illness Representation of High Blood Pressure in African Americans

Chair: Dr. Cynthia Archibald

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Fall 2018

Manika Petcharat

Title: The Effects of a Brief Culturally Tailored Thai Mindfulness Intervention of Stress, Anxiety, and Mindfulness in Thai Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities

Chair: Dr. Patricia Liehr

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Maria De Los Santos

Title: Development, Psychometric Testing, and Pilot Testing of the Personal and Social Responsibility Scale (PSR) for Health Professions Students

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Summer 2018

Jane Wilson

Title: Testing an Integrated Health Promotion Model Using Social Media for Breastfeeding Women: Structural Equation Modeling
Chair: Dr. Linda Weglicki
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Spring 2018

Sandra Gall-Ojurongbe

Title: An Examination of the Demographic, Social and Environmental Predictors of Risk for Schizophrenia in Afro-Caribbean Immigrants Living in the United States
Chair: Dr. Christine Williams
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Fall 2017

Diane Gullett

Title: The Lived Experience of Suffering through the 2010 Earthquake in Haiti
Chair: Dr. Charlotte Barry
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Christine Moffa

Title: Exploring the Moderating Effect of a Caring Work Environment on the Relationship between Workplace Mistreatment and Nurses' Ability to Provide Patient Care
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Mary Ann Leavitt

Title: The effect of a Heart Failure Nurse Navigator on 30-Day Readmissions of Older Adults
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Heather Saifman

Title: Millennial Nurse Manager Perspectives on Their Leadership Roles in the Hospital Setting: A Phenomenological Inquiry
Chair: Dr. Rose Sherman
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Olga Abiri

Title: Differences in Nurses' Perceptions of Safety Culture, Nurse-Physician Collaboration, and Level of Job Satisfaction Related to the Type of Obstetrical Physician Care Delivery Model Utilized

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Title: Ethnicity, Gender and Pain Interference's Influence on Depression among Older Adults with Osteoarthritis
Chair: Dr. Lynne Dunphy
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Summer 2017

Beth Pratt

Title: The Lived Experience of Breastfeeding for Women with Perinatal Depression
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Gail Sullivan

Title: Effects of Story-Sharing Intervention on Depression and Well-Being in Older Adults Transitioning to Long-Term Care
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Jacqueline Staal

Title: The Relationships among Sleep Quality, Frailty and Falls in Older Adults Residing in the Community
Chair: Dr. Marlaine Smith
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Zahra Rahemi

Title: Iranian American Older Adults' Attitudes and Proactive Actions toward Planning Ahead for End-of-Life Care
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Susan Driscoll

Fall 2016

Title: A Systematic Review and Quantitative Meta-Analysis of the Accuracy of Visual Inspection for Cervical Cancer Screening: Does Provider Type or Training Matter?

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Title: Use of Social Media Support Groups by Persons in the Transplant Journey

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Summer 2016

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Title: Culturally Tailoring a Substance Use Intervention among Southeastern Urban American Indian and Alaska Native Youth

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Melessa Kelley

Title: Native American Early Adolescents Response to a Cultural-Based Prevention for Obesity

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Spring 2016

Laurie Curnan

Title: Avatar Guided Stories of Ease from Adolescents with Cancer

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Title: Health Challenges of Family Members in End of Life Situations

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Fall 2015

Laurie Abbott

Title: The Effect of a Culturally Relevant Cardiovascular Health Promotion Program on Rural African Americans

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Christie Bailey

Title: The Influence of Gardens on Resilience in Older Adults Living in a Continuing Care Community

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Mary Jorda

Title: The Meaning of School Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Referral to the Parents/Guardians of First, Third and Sixth Grade Students

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Linda Payne

Title: The Experience of Nurses Caring for Women with Drug or Alcohol Problems in the General Hospital

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Robin Powers

Title: Recognizing Functional Decline in Persons with MCI (Mild Cognitive Impairment)

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Spring 2015

Karen Grimley

Title: Identifying Descriptions of Quality Nursing Care Shared by Nurse and Patient in the Acute Care Hospital Setting

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Susan Charlotte Ladd

Title: ZAFÈ NEG SE MISTÈ: A Grounded Theory Study of End-of-Life Decision Making for Haitian American Families in South Florida

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Jacqueline Marshall

Title: Effect of a Spiritually-Guided Intervention on Breast Self-Care Attitudes in Afro-Caribbean Women

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Mary Ellen Wright

Title: Sources of Informational Social Support for Mothers of Infants Residing in the Western North Carolina Appalachian Region

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Fall 2014

Elizabeth Kinchen

Title: Development and Testing of an Instrument to Measure Holistic Attributes of Nurse Practitioner Care

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Rebecca Koszalinski

Title: Evaluation of Speak for Myself © With Patients who are Voiceless

Chair: Dr. Ruth Tappen

Committee Members: Dr. Rozzano Locsin, Dr. Ali Danesh & Dr. Susan Folden

Duangporn Piyakong

Title: The Effect of Engagement Interventions on Uncertainty and Coping of Thai Family Members of Patients in Coma

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Angela Prestia

Title: Chief Nursing Officer Sustainment in the Continued Practice of Nursing Leadership

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Shelley Greif

Title: Challenges Faced by Parents Caring for Their Child after Traumatic Brain Injury

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Kelly White

Title: Transition Experiences of the Chronically Ill Adolescent

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Spring 2014

Francesca Onyejuruwa

Title: Impact of an Educational Intervention on Nurses' Knowledge and Caring Behavior for Late Preterm Infants
Chair: Dr. Sharon Dormire
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Fall 2013

Mary Brigid Martin

Title: Perceived Discrimination of Muslims in Health Care in the United States
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Committee Members: Dr. Dee Ray, Dr. David Newman & Dr. Robert Rabil

Nohemi Sadule-Rios

Title: Older Hispanics' Explanatory Model of Depression
Chair: Dr. Ruth Tappen
Committee Members: Dr. Christine Williams & Dr. Monica Rosselli

Lisa Kirk Wiese

Title: Development and Testing of a Measure of Alzheimer's Disease in a Rural Appalachian Community
Chair: Dr. Christine Williams
Committee Members: Dr. David Newman, Dr. Ruth Tappen & Dr. Monica Rosselli

Spring 2013

Kathryn Arnold

Title: The Clinical Scholar Model: A Strategy to Bridge the Theory-Practice Gap
Chair: Dr. Sharon Dormire
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Jeanne Gottlieb

Title: Suffering in the Midst of Technology: The Lived Experience of an Abnormal Prenatal Ultrasound
Chair: Dr. Shirley Gordon
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Eugenia Millender

Title: Cumulative Trauma among Adult Mayas Living in Southeast Florida

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Lawren Mundy

Title: Health Care Experience of Individuals Who Self-Identify as Sex Addicts

Chair: Dr. Shirley Gordon

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Fall 2011

Bridgette Johnson

Title: The Impact of Satisfaction with Care and Empowerment on Glycemic Control among Older African American Adults with Diabetes

Chair: Dr. Susan Folden

Committee members: Dr. Douglas Sutton, Dr. Rosario Medina-Shepherd & Dr. Errol Davis

Louise Lucas

Title: The Lived Experience of Decision-making for Older Adults who had an Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator Inserted

Chair: Dr. Marlaine Smith

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Summer 2011

Carlo Parker

Title: Decision-Making Models Utilized by Nurses to Activate Rapid Response Teams

Chair: Dr. Kathryn Keller

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Lisa Wands

Title: Health of Veterans Home from War

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Spring 2011

Terry L. Eggenberger

Title: Holding the Frontline: The Experience of Being a Charge Nurse in an Acute Care Setting

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Bonnie Pope

Title: Maternal Health Policy: Nursing's Legacy and the Social Security Act of 1935

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Fall 2010

Cynthia Blum

Title: Developing an Undergraduate Preceptor Model of Practice Education: Participatory Action Research

Chair: Dr. Debera Thomas

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Judith Czerenda

Title: The Meaning of the Lived World of Older Indian Widows and their Health Experiences

Chair: Dr. Dee Ray

Committee members: Dr. Ellis Youngkin & Dr. Mary Cameron

Barbara K. Dahlen

Title: Giving Voice to Historical Trauma through Storytelling: The Impact of Boarding School Experience on American Indians

Chair: Dr. John Lowe

Committee members: Dr. Pat Liehr, Dr. Marguerite Purnell & Dr. Staci Morris

Debra Hain

Title: Cognition and Adherence of Older Adults Undergoing Hemodialysis

Chair: Dr. Pat Liehr

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Carole Anne Martin Kain

Title: Muddling Through: How Young Caregivers Manage Changing Complexities

Chair: Dr. Shirley Gordon

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Title: The Clarity-Parity Community Nursing Practice Framework: A Critical Ethnonursing Study of Women in Recovery from Chemical Dependence and their Return to the Community

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Joy Longo

Title: The Relationship of Horizontal Violence, Oppressed Group Behavior, and Job Satisfaction on Intent to Leave a Nursing Position and the Nursing Profession

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Natalie L. Murphy

Title: Seemingly Healthy: The Lived Experience of Mothers as They Sought Health Care for Their Internationally Adopted Children

Chair: Dr. Deborah Raines

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Barbara C. Sorbello

Title: Clinical Nurse Leader Stories: A Phenomenological Study about the Meaning of Leadership at the Bedside

Chair: Dr. Anne Boykin

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Todd Swindermann

Title: The Magnetic Appeal of Nurse Informaticians: Caring Attractor for Emergence

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Fall 2009

Dorothy J. Dunn

Title: What Keeps Nurses in Nursing: A Heideggerian Hermeneutic Phenomenological Study

Chair: Dr. Ellen Baer

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Kim D. Jolly

Title: Immigrant Status, Substance Use and Sexual Risk Behavior among Afro-Caribbean Adolescents Living in the U.S.

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Jo Anne Stecher

Title: The Lived Experiences of the Spouses of Transplant Recipients

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Rosa Maria Sternberg

Title: Latinas Experiencing Transnational Motherhood

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Spring 2009

Waraporn Kongsuwan

Title: Thai Nurses' Lived Experience of Caring for Persons Who Had a Peaceful Death in Intensive Care Units

Chair: Dr. Kathryn Keller

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Fall 2008

Susan Dyess

Title: Living in Abundance: The Experience of Living with Chronic Illness for Adults Affiliated with a Community of Faith with Access to a Faith Community Nurse

Chair: Dr. Susan Chase

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Rhonda Goodman Lesniak

Title: The Lived Experience of Adolescent Females who Self-Injure by Cutting

Chair: Dr. Charlotte Barry

Committee members: Dr. Shirley Gordon & Dr. Mary Cameron

Fall 2007

Marcella M. Rutherford

Title: More than Good, Kind Angels: The Daughters of Charity's Relationship to Valuation, Mission and Money, 1916 to 1994

Chair: Dr. Ellen Baer

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Summer 2007

Patricia Dittman

Title: Lived Experience of Male Nurses in the Intervention Project for Nurses

Chair: Dr. Susan Chase

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Spring 2007

Laureen Fleck

Title: The Effect of Nurse-Guided Co-Created Weight Loss Plans for Pre-Menopausal Women Diagnosed with Metabolic Syndrome

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