



WAYNE STATE
College of Nursing

BSN - PhD Pilot Study Agreement Form

Student:	Faculty Mentor:
Research Project Title:	Funding Source:
PI (if not mentor):	
Has student completed all required IRB training? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO - If no, complete training before starting.	

Prior to starting dissertation proposal defense, BSN-PhD students are required to complete two semesters of a structured Pilot Study. The purpose of the pilot study is to provide BSN-PhD students with additional opportunity to gain experience in applying all aspects of the research process. The Pilot study is separate from, and may not replace, the required Research Residency. The Pilot Study may be quantitative or qualitative in nature.

Part 1 : Students are expected to do all the preliminary work necessary to implement a small study. This includes: developing a research proposal (literature review through methods section), and developing and submitting an IRB application.

Part 2 Students are expected to implement the study, conduct data analysis, and write the results in a research report. Students are encouraged to submit an abstract and manuscript detailing the results of their study

Additional instructions on page 2 of this form

Part 1 - Briefly describe the research project for this experience (Purpose, key aims, design, sample):

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Part 2 - Briefly describe the data collection and data analysis planned for this experience

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**** The Pilot Study must be spread over at least two semesters, but semesters do not have to be consecutive. Students are expected to work an average of 5 to 8 hours per week in research-related activities in each of two semesters of the Pilot Study**



Student Signature		Date
Faculty Mentor Signature/Date	Faculty Advisor Signature/Date	
PhD Program Director Signature	Date	

Instructions

1. The student will work with his/her advisor and the Program Director to identify faculty mentors within nursing and other disciplines, who are conducting research in an area of interest to the student.
2. The student must complete this PhD Program Pilot Study Agreement Form prior to starting the research experience. The completed form must be signed by the student's advisor and the Program Director. A copy will remain in the student's file in the PhD office.
3. The Pilot Study must be spread over at least two semesters, but semesters do not have to be consecutive.
4. Students are expected to work an average of 5 to 8 hours per week in research-related activities in each of two semesters of the study.
5. Students will successfully complete a small study. In order to ensure that the minimal requirements are addressed the student, student's advisor, and faculty mentors will develop a research contract in advance to delineate expectations of each semester of the Pilot Study.
6. At the end of the Pilot Study, the faculty of record must assign a grade to the two semesters for which the student registered for the Pilot Study. A grade change for Part 1 must be completed and a grade for Part 2 must be assigned. ermanent file.