ITEMS FOR ACTION (4):

1. New Course Proposal in the School of Nursing PhD Program • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee recommends,

That Council approves the following new course proposal housed in the Faculty of Health-School of Nursing, as set out in Appendix “A” attached hereto:

Program: PhD in Social Work (and MScN/MSW with permission of instructor)
Course Title: Madness, Sanity & the Subject: Critical Perspectives in Mental Health
Effective: 2020F/2021W

- Addition of NURS 7XXX, SOWK 7XXX

Rationale:

In response to inadequacies in the current mental health system, a powerful critique of psychiatric discourse and practice is emerging. At the heart of this critique is a discussion around the medicalization of mental illness and the effectiveness of psychiatric interventions, buttressed by the voices of survivors, community activists, and scholars from the health professions. Among them are researchers examining the legitimacy of mental illness as a medical diagnosis, calling into question the appropriateness of psychiatry’s authority over human emotions and human behaviour. Correspondingly, there appears to be a stronger-than-ever emphasis on the demedicalization of mental health, hence, the timeliness of this course.

This course brings together the major critiques of contemporary mental health discourse and practice with specific relevance to nursing (home program) and social work professionals. It will contribute to the home program’s Health for Persons and Communities focus. This program objective supports the development of “knowledge that informs the promotion and positive transformation of health across the lifespan (i.e., children, youth, adults, and older adults) at the individual, group, community, and global level” (http://nursing.gradstudies.yorku.ca/nursing-phd/). Currently, the newly-introduced doctoral program in nursing has a limited number of elective courses. This course proposes to add a substantive and theoretical dimension not otherwise present within the program’s course offerings. With respect to focus and content, this would be the only course in the doctoral program that engages with critical mental health approaches as social movements. It is likewise the only course that applies a social constructivist lens in examining identity, using critical theory in the context of mental health.
2. New Course Proposal in the School of Nursing PhD Program • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee recommends,

That Council approves the following new course proposal housed in the Faculty of Health-School of Nursing, as set out in Appendix “B” attached hereto:

Program: PhD in School of Nursing  
Course Title: Social Justice Nursing: Philosophies and Practices  
Effective: 2020F

- Addition of GS/NURS 7XXX (Elective)

Rationale:

This elective course tangibly supports and is congruent with the goals and objectives of the PhD Program in Nursing, including specifically:

1. Respond to current and projected demographic and health changes in Canadian and global society;

2. Foster the development of transformative knowledge and practice innovations in all three programmatic areas, including:
   - Health for persons and communities – with a specific focus on health equity
   - Healthcare Services and Systems – with a specific aim to transform healthcare services and systems through research, leadership, policy development, and organizational change
   - Nursing Education – with a specific aim to develop transformative and (critical) caring pedagogies and other innovations in teaching-learning approaches and practices;

3. Advance the discipline of nursing through explicit attention to structural and systemic health care issues through a social justice lens; and

4. Provide leadership in nursing by role modelling innovations in critical perspectives regarding health, research, policy and education.
3. New Course Proposal in the School of Nursing PhD Program • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee recommends,

That Council approves the following new course proposal housed in the Faculty of Health-School of Nursing, as set out in Appendix “C” attached hereto:

Program: PhD in School of Nursing
Course Title: Critical Community Health Nursing
Effective: 2020F

- Addition of GS/NURS 7XXX

Rationale:

This elective course tangibly supports and is congruent with the goals and objectives of the PhD Program in Nursing, including specifically:

1. Respond to current and projected demographic and health changes in Canadian and global society;

2. Foster the development of transformative knowledge and practice innovations (specifically concerning)
   - Health for persons and communities. This area of scholarship focuses on developing knowledge that informs the promotion and positive transformation of health across the lifespan (i.e., children, youth, adults, and older adults) at the individual, group, community, and global level.)

3. Provide(ing) leadership in nursing, in the health care system and within interdisciplinary teams through activities such as knowledge generation and mobilization.

4. New Course Proposal in Kinesiology and Health Science • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee recommends,

That Council approves the following new course proposal housed in the Faculty of Health-Kinesiology and Health Science, as set out in Appendix “D” attached hereto:

Program: Kinesiology and Health Science
Course Title: Techniques in Muscle Physiology
Effective: 2021W

- Addition of KAHS 6375
Rationale:

This course addresses a concept that is relevant to several research programs within the School of Kinesiology and Health Science. The material in this course is distinct from that covered in any other graduate course offered in KAHS because it focuses on the methodology and techniques used to assess skeletal muscle function with hands-on labs being a focus in order to put theory to practice. Although the theoretical material is complementary to that being taught in other courses (KINE 4010 Exercise Physiology, KINE 4445 Physiological Basis of Fatigue, KINE 4455 Movement Analysis Laboratory, KINE 4470 Muscle and Joint Biomechanics, KINE 4590 Advanced Athletic Therapy Assessment & Rehabilitation, KAHS 6370 Advanced Exercise Physiology I: Muscle), this proposed course is designed to enhance the practical skills of graduate students performing muscle-related research within KAHS. The closest laboratory course in concept to his proposed course is KINE 4455 Movement Analysis Laboratory where kinematic analysis of movement is performed on a force plate and neuromuscular assessments are made with electromyography. However, upon consultation with Dr. Taylor Cleworth, the course director of KINE4455, we have prevented any conflict between courses by focusing here on skeletal muscle aspects of isokinetic dynamometry, on use of animal experiments, in addition to covering fluorescent microscopy and various single muscle fibre techniques.
APPENDIX "A"
New Course Proposal Form

The following information is required for all new course proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading).

1. **Program:** PhD in Nursing; PhD in Social Work (and MScN/MSW with permission of instructor).

2. **Course Number:** NURS 7XXX, SOWK 7XXX

3. **Credit Value:** 3.0

4. **Long Course Title:** Madness, Sanity, & the Subject: Critical Perspectives in Mental Health

5. **Short Course Title:** Critical Mental Health Perspectives

6. **Effective Session:** 2020F/2021W

7. **Calendar (Short) Course Description:**
   This course introduces the learner to critiques of mental health discourse and practice. Critical mental health social movements, such as antipsychiatry, Mad, psychiatric survivor, and neurodiversity are discussed. Contemporary mental health discourse is critically examined and critical/radical alternatives to the current mental health system are discussed and theorized.

8. **Expanded Course Description:**
   This course will introduce the learner to various critiques of contemporary mental health discourse and practice. Beginning with a critical examination of the subject and subjectivity in the context of sanity and sanism, it will draw on various perspectives that have emerged as a response to inadequacies in the current mental health system. Learners will be introduced to critical mental health social movements such as the antipsychiatry, the mad, the neurodiversity, and the psychiatric survivor movements and will examine critical mental health approaches such as those using historical, institutional, discursive, and linguistic analyses. Learners will also be introduced to and will theorize alternatives to the current mental health system and will situate the role of the practitioner as critical clinician, advocate, and activist in contemporary mental health discourse and practice.

9. **Course Learning Outcomes**
   1. Discuss the social construction of identity and subjectivity using critical theory.
   2. Discuss multiple perspectives to the understanding of mental health and well-being.
   3. Analyze social and political influences on contemporary understandings of mental health.
   4. Critique hegemonic approaches to mental health discourse and practice.
   5. Develop critical counter-hegemonic approaches to mental health discourse and practice.

10. **Rationale:**
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Additionally, please append the graduate program's existing learning outcomes as a separate document.

11. Evaluation:

1. Movement consultation report (30%)
   - While there may be literature to explain much of what there is to be known about a particular social movement, literature often lags several years behind the times. Literature is also often a product of a privileged few members of society and may not be as vigorously and frequently produced equitably. This makes dialogue as a form of getting to know the movement necessary.
   - Connect with members of the community of one of the movements presented in this course (an elder, a local leader, a known activist, etc.).
   - Engage them in dialogue in an effort to examine more deeply the selected movement. Minimally, consider the following as a start to guide your dialogue:
     i. How long has the movement been in existence?
     ii. What is its vision?
     iii. What have been some victories/successes and some defeats.Failures of the movement?
     iv. What currently are the most challenging issues to the movement?
   - Generate a report of your findings. Ensure to guide your dialogue so as to discover some possible challenges to the movement, which you will then begin to address in the subsequent assignments of this course.
   - Report maximum length: 8 pages excluding front and back matter and appendices.
   - Submission: Turnitin.
2. "Critique the critical" paper (35%):
   - While the social movements we examine here begin from a rather critical (some radical) standpoint, theirs is not an analysis without problems.
   - Based on the information you have gathered from your learnings in this course and based on your findings from the movement consultation, engage in a critical analysis of a selected movement presented in this course.
   - To help guide your efforts for the paper, consider the following:
     i. Identify a theory/theoretical framework to frame your position.
     ii. Provide a supportive literature review.
     iii. Draw on your findings from the movement consultation report.
     iv. Ensure that your critique does not simply deconstruct, but also foreshadow a possible "reconstruction." This will assist you with your next and final paper.
   - Paper maximum length: 15 pages excluding front and back matter and appendices.
   - Submission: Turnitin.

3. Visionary proposal paper (25%):
   - In groups of 2 or 3 (interdisciplinary), devise a critical but material way to address/help with/tackle a mental health issue/phenomenon (specific or general). This could be an entirely new endeavour or one that builds on or extends something already in existence.
   - The paper must be in the form of a proposal, either addressed to an activist/advocacy agency (in the case of building on/extending something already in existence) or to an appropriate agency/organization (in the case of proposing something completely new).
   - The paper must also include a section on the relevance to the health professions.
   - An adequate proposal should typically contain the following elements:
     i. A description of the problem and importance of the issue(s).
     ii. A sound critique of the problem(s)/issue(s).
     iii. Literature to support or to contextualize the problem/claims.
     iv. Possible alternatives with a recommendation of at least one best option.
     v. A comprehensive and realistic sustainability plan.
   - It might be necessary to re-consult the movement or to connect with other overlapping movements/organizations/coalitions, etc. to assist you in developing ideas.
   - Paper maximum length: 20 pages excluding front and back matter and appendices.
   - Submission: Turnitin.

4. Participation & Engagement in the Learning Community (10%):
11. Integrated Courses:
Graduate courses may be integrated only with undergraduate courses at the 4000-level, where it is understood that 4000-level indicates an advanced level. Graduate students will be expected to do work at a higher level than undergraduates. If the proposed course is to be integrated, please provide a grading scheme that clearly differentiates between the work that undergraduate and graduate students perform, including a description of how the work performed by graduate students is at a higher level. As well, please indicate the course information for the undergraduate course (i.e., Faculty/unit/course number/credit value) and include a statement from the relevant undergraduate chair or undergraduate director indicating agreement to the integration.

12. Crosslisted Courses:
Crosslisted courses are offered between two or more graduate programs. For crosslisted courses, please include a statement of agreement from the director of the other graduate program(s).

Please see attached letter from the School of Social Work in support of crosslisting this course.

13. Faculty Resources:
Dr. Simon Adam
Dr. Cheryl van Daalen-Smith
Dr. Nazilia Khanlou
Prof. Linda Juergensen
Dr. Maria Liegghio (Social Work)
Dr. Alex Rutherford (Psychology)

This course will run every other academic year. It will have no additional significant impact on faculty resources.

14. Physical Resources:
No additional or other resources will be required for the running of this course.

15. Bibliography and Library Statement:


Appendix

Library Support Statement

December 18, 2018

Thank you for sending me the attached proposal for the course:

**GS/NURS7XXX Madness, Sanity, & the Subject: Critical Perspectives in Mental Health**

**Required and Recommended Reading List:**

I have reviewed the bibliography that you provided with the course description and find that we have subscriptions to the recommended journals for the course. The list is appended to this library support statement. Books that are marked in red have been placed on order and will be located at Steacie Library. These will include duplicates for the books that are already available at other libraries on campus to ensure that students have ready access to them at Steacie Library. Items marked in blue indicate corrections to title names, spelling, etc.

**Electronic Resources:**

CINAHL, Nursing and Allied Health Source (Proquest), MEDLINE, PubMed, Joanna Briggs Institute EBP Database, Embase (new), EBM Reviews, Web of Science, SCOPUS, Ulrich’s International Periodicals Directory, and other specialized electronic resources are available. Numerous electronic book packages such as Books@OVID, Canadian Electronic Collection – Health Research, and others are also available.

**Books on writing and style guides:**


The holdings in our library currently support undergraduate and graduate-level courses in related health and social sciences fields including psychology, social work, criminology, etc.

Interlibrary loan and document delivery options are available through RACER for any additional information needs that may come up. There is no longer a limit to the number of articles that a student or faculty member may order through RACER per year, and these are delivered to the desktop, free of charge. Books can also be requested through this system free of charge. Registration and requesting is available from: [http://www.library.yorku.ca/cms/resourcesharing/services-for-york-faculty-and-students/illrequestform/](http://www.library.yorku.ca/cms/resourcesharing/services-for-york-faculty-and-students/illrequestform/).
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http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/NursingPhD
http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/?b=s

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In summary, I would state that we are well positioned to support this course.

Sincerely,

Ilo-Katryn Maimets, Science Librarian
Head, Steacie Science and Engineering Library
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E-mail: ilo@yorku.ca

Please submit completed forms and required supporting documentation by email to the Coordinator, Faculty Governance – fgsgovrn@yorku.ca
Begin forwarded message:

From: Wendy E McKeen <wmckeen@yorku.ca>
Subject: PhD course, cross-listing
Date: October 29, 2019 at 2:06:31 PM EDT
To: Simon Adam <siadam@yorku.ca>

Hi Simon,

Finally, the Grad Exec Committee met and discussed the possibility of having your course cross-listed with Social Work. Some of the committee members brought up a few concerns - one person was concerned that there were readings that would be good to have in the bibliography that were not there. They are going to send me a list tomorrow and I will forward them to you. Another person raised questions about the second assignment - critiquing the critique. They wanted to know more about your approach there, worried that some students may try to critique from a 'liberal' standpoint.

In the end, however, people were impressed with the course and pleased to see the Nursing School mounting such a critical course, so we want to agree to cross-list it with Social Work, as it is, with the hope that you will also want to take into consideration the concerns we might have and suggestions for additional materials.

I hope this makes sense to you. Let me know what you need from me in terms of indicating our support for this. I will also get back to you with our additional suggestions regarding reading material.

Thanks for your patience!
Wendy

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New Course Proposal for the PhD Program in Nursing

1. Program: PhD in Nursing

2. Course Number: GS/NURS 7XXX (Elective)

3. Credit Value: 3.0

4. Long Course Title: Social Justice Nursing: Philosophies and Practices

5. Short Course Title: Social Justice Nursing

6. Effective Session: Fall 2020

7. Calendar (Short) Course Description: (59)

The centrality of social justice for nursing is embraced across Canada. The Canadian Nurses Association views social justice as a “means to an end and an end in itself,” acknowledging its consistency with the values set out in our code of ethics. To that end, with social justice as our ethos, nursing can be argued as social justice.

8. Expanded Course Description:

Nursing’s legacy in addressing issues of social justice is well documented and extends far beyond individual patients and the care they deserve to include structural, governmental, political, environmental, monetary, and planetary concerns. The centrality of social justice as a focus for nursing is embraced across Canada, with the Canadian Nurses Association identifying it as both a “means to an end and an end in itself,” and acknowledging its consistency with the values set out in our code of ethics. Social Justice Nursing extends from pulse checks to poverty analyses and everything in between. In order to enact a social justice ethic, nurses, clinicians, educators, researchers, and policy advisors intentionally challenge societal beliefs about individual responsibility for health, promote equity considerations in all aspects of nursing, health and health care, and steadfastly work to bring about social change, broadly defined. To that end, with social justice as its ethos, nursing can be argued as social justice.

Learners will also critically reflect on the threats to, and the tensions and contradictions within this social justice legacy. Included is the rise of neoliberal forces and their interactions with gendered and racialized assumptions which undermine access to health and health care. Amidst the nursing profession’s drive to identify and ameliorate inequities in access to health, health care and positive quality of life, members of our profession have found themselves in practice, education or health care contexts that have contributed to unjust outcomes. It is important that these instances and the conditions underlying them be understood, deconstructed and learned from.

9. Course Learning Outcomes

Learners will:
1. Explore philosophies and practices of Social Justice/Emancipatory Nursing
2. Explore the upstream political, social and economic forces that have deep implications for the ability to achieve health and/or access health care;
3. Critically analyze the role of nurses/nursing in addressing inequities;
4. Explore/propose innovations in practice, policy, education or research aimed at promoting social justice and equity;
5. Explore the contradictions and tensions in nursing’s relationship with social justice
6. Apply Critical Social Theory to the Social Determinants of Health
7. Explore Oppression as a Determinant of Health
8. Investigate barriers to nursing enacting a social justice ethic in practice, research, education, leadership and/or policy work
9. Explore the emergence of emancipatory knowing as it relates to social justice nursing
10. Utilize emancipatory disciplinary theorizing to examine nursing as social justice;
11. Create strategies to challenge societal beliefs, policies or health care practices which contribute to the marginalization or victim-blaming of populations experiencing poor health; and
12. Apply Principles and practices of social justice nursing to one of the following areas:
    a. Health for Persons and Communities;
    b. Health Care Services and Systems; and
    c. Nursing Education – Pedagogical Practice or Curricular Innovation

10. Rationale:
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11. Evaluation: Learning Evidences

- Pairs Class Presentation: Exemplars of nursing-involved social activism: Class Presentation in Pairs – 25%
- Course Engagement and Contribution to the Learning Collective – 10%
- Critical analyses of health inequities and the role of nurses/nursing: Annotated Bibliography and Brief Literature Review (25%)
• Topic and/or population to be collaboratively chosen with professor and student.
  • AB – 2-3 page max
  • Literature Review 1000-word max
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  **Note:** Literature Review will be integrated into the application paper.

12. Integrated Courses:
   n/a

13. Crosslisted Courses:
   n/a

14. Faculty Resources:
    Dr. Cheryl van Daalen-Smith   Dr. Simon Adam
    Linda Juergenson, PhD(c)       Dr. Beryl Pilkington
    Dr. Jacqueline Choiniere       Dr. Judith MacDonnell

15. Physical Resources:
    *Smart Classroom, Zoom Capacity.*

16. Bibliography and Library Statement:

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December 2019-02-27


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http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/?b=s

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4. Long Course Title: Critical Community Health Nursing

5. Short Course Title: Critical Community Health Nursing

6. Effective Session: Fall 2020

7. Calendar (Short) Course Description:

Understanding how social contexts influence health, and drawing on the posthumanist idea of One Health, critical CHNs consider health as a right of people, animals, and all planetary life. Working in partnership to ameliorate inequities impacting the SDOH, CHNs enact Primary Health principles intersectionally. To that end, this course illuminates the principles and tensions associated with critical community health nursing.

8. Expanded Course Description:

Understanding how social contexts influence health, Canadian Community Health Nurses (CHNs) advocate for the health of diverse communities. Working in partnership in order to collaboratively ameliorate health inequities impacting the social determinants of health, Canada’s CHN enact the principles of primary health intersectionally. Embracing plurality in perspectives on health, including social determinants of health, Indigenous conceptualizations and the posthumanist idea of One Health, this course considers health as a right of people, animals, and all planetary life. To that end, Critical CHN practice is grounded in social justice considerations, advocacy and health for all.

While Canada is viewed as a world leader in public health, health promotion, and the social determinants of health, neoliberal, behavioural, gendered, colonial and other acritical approaches continue to underpin some programming involving CHNs. To that end, community health nursing history, theories, policies and practices will be examined and critiqued regarding their fit with a concern for social justice, health equity, and reconciliation.

Grounded in an ethos of critique, understood as disrupting the status quo and the challenging of taken-for-granted assumptions through the deconstruction of competing discourses circulating as truth, this course illuminates the principles, tensions, contradictions and opportunities associated with critical community health nursing.

9. Course Learning Outcomes

Learners will:

1. Explore the concept of health broadly including the social determinants of health; the Posthumanist concept of “One Health”; Indigenous conceptualizations of health, etc.

2. Explore Primary Health, Population Health and Health Promotion principles and practices;
3. Examine and critique public health history, theories, policies, practices and models;
4. Demonstrate comprehension of community health/public health nursing history, theoretical underpinnings, standards and practices;
5. Examine the importance of upstream thinking in critical health promotion practice;
6. Critically explore the Social Determinants of Health for marginalized communities and populations in Canada;
7. Investigate and discuss health promotion and population health strategies explicitly grounded in health equity concerns;
8. Explore the tensions and contradictions surrounding the history of community health/public health nurse health promotion efforts;
9. Identify barriers to strategies enabling critical CHN practice; and
10. Develop skill in community consultation

10. Rationale:
This elective course tangibly supports and is congruent with the goals and objectives of the PhD Program in Nursing, including specifically:
1. respond to current and projected demographic and health changes in Canadian and global society;
2. foster the development of transformative knowledge and practice innovations (specifically concerning)
   - Health for persons and communities. This area of scholarship focuses on developing knowledge that informs the promotion and positive transformation of health across the lifespan (i.e., children, youth, adults, and older adults) at the individual, group, community, and global level.
3. Provide(ing) leadership in nursing, in the health care system and within interdisciplinary teams through activities such as knowledge generation and mobilization.

11. Evaluation:
Grounded in an ethos of critique, understood as disrupting the status quo and the challenging of taken-for-granted assumptions through the deconstruction of competing discourses circulating as truth, students will have the opportunity to critically analyse one of the CHNC Standards of Practice or one of the CHNC Practice Expectations. Central to this analysis will be an exploration of CHN-involved or led programming that are/were incongruent with a social justice ethos.

1. Critical Analysis Paper (50%) choosing one of the
   a. CHNC Standards of Practice:
      i. Promoting Health
      ii. Facilitating Illness Prevention and Health Protection
      iii. Facilitating Health Maintenance, Restoration and Palliation
      iv. Building Professional Relationships
      v. Building Individual and Community Capacity
      vi. Facilitating Health Equity
      vii. Enacting Evidenced Informed Practice
      viii. Demonstrating Professional Responsibility and Accountability
   OR ONE OF THE:
   b. CHNC Practice Expectations:
      i. Cultural safety
      ii. Cultural humility
      iii. Indigenous ways of knowing
      iv. Levels of prevention


Library Statement Attached.
December 2019-02-27

GS/NURS7XXX Critical Community Health Nursing - Library Support Statement

Required and Recommended Reading List:

I have reviewed the bibliography that you provided with the course description and find that we have subscriptions to the recommended journals for the course. The edited bibliography is appended to this library support statement; please replace the bibliography in the original proposal with this one. Please note that the book marked in green has been placed on order.

Electronic Resources:

CINAHL, Nursing and Allied Health Source (Proquest), MEDLINE, PubMed, Joanna Briggs Institute EBP Database, Embase (new), EBM Reviews, Web of Science, SCOPUS, Ulrich’s International Periodicals Directory, and other specialized electronic resources are available. Numerous electronic book packages such as Books@OVID, Canadian Electronic Collection – Health Research, and others are also available.

Style guides:


The holdings in our library currently support undergraduate and graduate-level courses in related health and social sciences fields.

Interlibrary loan and document delivery options are available through RACER for any additional information needs that may come up. There is no longer a limit to the number of articles that a student or faculty member may order through RACER per year, and these are delivered to the desktop, free of charge. Books can also be requested through this system free of charge. Registration and requesting is available from: http://www.library.yorku.ca/cms/resourcesharing/services-for-york-faculty-and-students/illrequestform/.

Should course instructors want to place any required readings on reserve for student use at Steacie Library, please see the following http://www.library.yorku.ca/cms/faculty/reserves/ for information about what materials can be posted, Fair Dealing Guidelines, etc. Items to be
posted can be requested by filling out the form at: http://www.library.yorku.ca/cms/faculty/reserve-request-steacie/.

Library Research and Information Literacy Support:

The American Council of Research Libraries Information Literacy Competency Standards for Nursing include outcomes “written specifically to support nursing resources, language, and the value of evidence-based practice.” http://crln.acrl.org/content/75/1/34.full.pdf+html

Please note that librarians provide research skills workshops to students and faculty on request, including but not limited to:

- Designing research strategies from asking a research question to searching the library catalogue, government sources, and databases such as CINAHL, Medline, ProQUEST Nursing and Allied Health Source, Joanna Briggs Institute EBP Database, EBM Reviews, Web of Science, SCOPUS, etc. using controlled vocabulary and/or keywords where applicable
- Managing references using bibliographic management software such as Mendeley and EndNote
- Finding the evidence for evidence-informed practice
- Conducting systematic reviews

A general Nursing Research Guide, one for Graduate Students and Faculty in Nursing, and Research Guides in other health fields have been created and are maintained by subject librarians to bring together online and print resources that may be useful to students and faculty in Nursing. Resources and links will be added upon request.

http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/nursing
http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/NursingPhD
http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/?b=s

Please note too that research guides for Data and Statistics, Government Documents, and specialized tools such as Psychological Tests are available for use.

Collection development in the library is ongoing and is based on a commitment to developing library resources that are in alignment with the University’s curricular and research activities. Books in this field will be added to the library collection as they are published. Please forward any requests for purchase to the Nursing Subject Librarian: jlo@yorku.ca or submit your purchase request by using the form at http://www.library.yorku.ca/online/purchase.php

Traditionally, library collections and Information Literacy instruction have been the primary areas of support for programs and courses. Students in graduate programs are increasingly
conducting research for publication and this has increased the need for library support in research data management and open scholarship.

Research Data Management

York University Libraries' Research Data Management services provide educational support in various areas related to research data, including data management planning, data collection, data organization and documentation, data sharing and preservation. We will be happy to:

- Compile research data management reading material for instructors to include in their course syllabus
- Work with instructors to develop teaching and assessment modules on research data management that is relevant to the course objectives
- Work with students solving research data management problems related to the course objectives
- Teach a research data management workshop to raise awareness of the importance of research data management among students and introduce them to research data management best practices in their research fields

Digital Scholarship Infrastructure and Open Scholarship:

York Libraries provides support for the Nursing program in the area of scholarly communications. The Libraries hosts and provides support to several scholar-led journals that intersect with issues around Nursing (Witness: The Journal of Critical Nursing, Critical Disability Discourse, Health Tomorrow: Interdisciplinarity and Internationality). The Libraries also provides instructional support, consultative referrals and best practices in the area of open scholarship, research dissemination and impact to the campus community, while also hosting York’s institutional repository, YorkSpace, which disseminates faculty and graduate student research.

In summary, I would state that we are well positioned to support this course.

Sincerely,

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APPENDIX “D”
New Course Proposal: KAHS 6375 Techniques in Muscle Physiology

The following information is required for all new course proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading).

1. **Program**: Kinesiology and Health Science

2. **Course Number**: KAHS 6375

3. **Credit Value**: 3.0

4. **Long Course Title**: Techniques in Muscle Physiology

5. **Short Course Title**: Muscle Physiology Techniques

6. **Effective Session**: Winter 2021

7. **Calendar (Short) Course Description**:
   
   This course examines the theory and techniques to assess the physiological aspects of skeletal muscle function. We will cover how human and animal experimental models can be utilized in a research setting to assess muscle strength, power, and fatigue, ranging from the whole body level to the single muscle fibre level. Fluorescence techniques to assess real-time muscle metabolic function will also be covered. Pre-requisites: One of KINE 4010, KINE 4445, KINE 4455, KINE 4470, KINE 4590 or permission of instructor or equivalent.

8. **Expanded Course Description**:

   A primary function of skeletal muscle is contractile force generation. The assessment of muscle contractile function can serve as a foundation of any study investigating skeletal muscle in healthy or diseased states by providing a functional outcome for metabolic and genetic alterations with exercise training, disuse, and chronic disease. Topics that will be explored include theory and hands-on assessments of voluntary and electrically stimulated muscle strength and power (e.g., length-tension, force-velocity, force-frequency relationships) in human and animal muscles. We will also examine the techniques used to measure each step of the excitation-contraction coupling process in skeletal muscle. Finally, we will cover real-time fluorescent imaging of ions (Ca^{2+}) and muscle metabolic function (ROS, pH) in intact single muscle fibres that can complement investigations of muscle force generation. These experimental techniques will be applied to the concepts of exercise-induced fatigue, recovery, training adaptations, and chronic diseases.

   Lectures will alternate with hands-on laboratory experiments to put theory to practice. Students will learn to critique research articles, and they will learn how to apply methodology to develop their own project proposals.

9. **Evaluation**:

   - Critical Assessment Project #1 15%
   - Critical Assessment Project #2 15%
   - Lab assignments 30%
   - Oral Presentation 26%
   - Written Report 20%

10. Integrated Courses:
This course will not be integrated with undergraduate courses.

11. Rationale:
This course addresses a concept that is relevant to several research programs within the School of Kinesiology and Health Science. The material in this course is distinct from that covered in any other graduate course offered in KAHS because it focuses on the methodology and techniques used to assess skeletal muscle function with hands-on labs being a focus in order to put theory to practice. Although the theoretical material is complementary to that being taught in other courses (KINE 4010 Exercise Physiology, KINE 4445 Physiological Basis of Fatigue, KINE 4455 Movement Analysis Laboratory, KINE 4470 Muscle and Joint Biomechanics, KINE 4590 Advanced Athletic Therapy Assessment & Rehabilitation, KAHS 6370 Advanced Exercise Physiology I: Muscle), this proposed course is designed to enhance the practical skills of graduate students performing muscle-related research within KAHS. The closest laboratory course in concept to his proposed course is KINE 4455 Movement Analysis Laboratory where kinetic analysis of movement is performed on a force plate and neuromuscular assessments are made with electromyography. However, upon consultation with Dr. Taylor Ciewrth, the course director of KINE4455, we have prevented any conflict between courses by focusing here on skeletal muscle aspects of isokinetic dynamometry, on use of animal experiments, in addition to covering fluorescent microscopy and various single muscle fibres techniques.

12. Faculty Resources:
Primary: Arthur Cheng, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

Alternate: Christopher G. R. Perry, Ph.D. Associate Professor, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

13. Crosslisted Courses:
N/A

14. Bibliography and Library Statement:
No textbook. The course director will post all relevant articles for students to access on the course Moodle page. Otherwise, all journal articles are also available at Steacie Library, York University and can be accessed on-line.

Example Reading List:


15. Physical Resources:
A standard classroom (15 person capacity) with a projector and screen as well as a chalkboard or whiteboard is required for lectures. The laboratory and research equipment of Arthur Cheng will be used for hands-on demos and labs involving data collection and analysis for both human and animal experiments.
Library Support Statement  
GS/KAHS 6375 3.0: Techniques in Muscle Physiology

I have reviewed the course proposal and the supporting reading list, and find that York University Libraries (YUL) have the required resources to support this graduate course based on the following criteria:

- Books (including e-books), handbooks and visual resources
- Print and electronic journals
- Kinesiology & Health Sciences, Sports, Physiology & Biology: YUL course guides
- Data & statistical sources available from the Libraries website
- Access to other libraries' holdings through Interlibrary Loans and resource sharing
- Ongoing purchases of new library materials based on course requirements
- Librarians' assistance with finding and using research information for appropriate purposes

A York Libraries catalogue search shows that we have adequate resources on skeletal muscle topics on aspects of physiology, health, aging, and disease. York University Libraries have print and electronic resources on human and animal physiology, measurement and analytical techniques, chronic diseases, and aging. There are many resources related to critical thinking & writing in the Sciences & Health sciences. Students and faculty have access to Primal Pictures: Anatomy & Physiology [http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/ee]. Other resources on this page will also help with active visual learning and facets of experiential education. The library catalogue is the starting point for locating all resources including material in the reading list.

Some important databases include,

- ProQuest databases including PsycINFO
- CINAHL
- Social Science Abstracts
- Google Scholar
- PubMed
- Scopus
- Web of Science

The Kinesiology & Health Sciences, and Biology library guides are excellent resources for locating subject specific databases, encyclopedias, books and dictionaries.

Kinesiology & Health Sciences: [http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/kinesiology](http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/kinesiology)  
Biology: [http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/biology](http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/biology)  
YUL Data Library Guide: [http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/data](http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/data)  

The Libraries subscribe to all the important Kinesiology & Health Sciences journals. York University Libraries has all the books mentioned in the reading list. Specific course books and other resources can be made available from the Steacie reserve desk by
completing an online request form https://www.library.yorku.ca/web/ask-services/facultyinstructor-support/places-items-on-reserve/
Graduate students can request books and journal articles that are not available at York by using the interlibrary loan and document delivery system RACER: http://www.library.yorku.ca/e/resolver/id/1534609

Science librarians also provide library research skills through workshops on topics, including:

- Formulating search strategies and help with subject specific databases
- Critically evaluating information sources
- Writing resources
- Using & citing data resources
  - Managing and organizing references using citation management tools

The Steacie Library Teaching Lab has individual computing stations and accommodates 35 students at a time. This Lab is primarily used for developing and enhancing information & library research skills and competencies.

There may be specific areas that require additional resources. Collection development in the library is an ongoing process. It is based on a commitment to developing library resources that are in alignment with the University's curricular and research activities. Additional updated content will be purchased as they become available. Please forward any requests for purchase to the Kinesiology & Health Sciences Librarian, Rajiv Nariani, at rajivn@yorku.ca.

In summary, I would state that the Steacie Science & Engineering library is well-positioned to support this graduate course.

Sincerely,

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