

HRS 8990 - Graduate Research in Health Sciences

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 01, CRN 42301,

Credit hours: 9

Instructor

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Course Description

8990. Graduate Research in Health Sciences. This course is a graduate research experience that will allow the student the opportunity to contribute to research that is directed by an individual faculty mentor and refine their thinking on research design and implementation. This course will facilitate the student's formulation of a potential dissertation topic or provide opportunity to create foundational work for their dissertation. 1-9 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
No readings			

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Week 1: Meet with Academic advisor and create a plan for what work is to be accomplished toward your research project for the semester. This process can be highly variable depending on the nature of the research and where you are in the continuum of your project	This first week meeting with the research mentor and set the standards for all milestones throughout the semester. We are requiring you to meet with your research advisor every other week for routine updates and consistency.
9/28	Review where you are in relation to project completion and adjust expectations as required	TBD
11/9	Assess progress toward goals and adjust work efforts as needed to facilitate timely completion	TBD
12/7	Turn in final project for review by your faculty mentor	Determined by week 1 meeting with your faculty mentor

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