**MENNONITE COLLEGE OF NURSING AT ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Doctor of Nursing Practice Program**

**Scholarly Project Proposal Outline**

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| **Proposal section** | **Length** | **Draft section to be completed by student in/after NUR** | **Date student completed** | **Date faculty advisor approved** |
| Title page | 1 page | 543 |  |  |
| Introduction/background | 1/2 page | 564 |  |  |
| Problem statement/Objectives | 1/2 page  | 564, 562, 565 |  |  |
| Literature review | 3 pages | 564 |  |  |
| Organizational assessment | 1/2 page | 562 |  |  |
| Framework | 1/2 page | 564, 562, 565 |  |  |
| Methods* Design
* Sample and setting
* Instruments
* Procedure
* Human subjects protection
* Data management and analysis
 | 2 1/2 pages | 564, 535, 565, 509, 511 |  |  |
| Cost effectiveness | 1/2 page | 451 or 569 |  |  |
| Dissemination and sustainability | 1/2 page | 564, 565, 451 or 569 |  |  |
| Timeline | 1 page | 543 |  |  |
| **Total narrative** | 10-11 pages |  |  |  |
| References, tables, etc. | as needed | 543 |  |  |

**Scholarly Project Proposal Paper Template**

(APA 6th edition style format)

Title page (1 page, 3 lines centered on page)

* Title
* Student name (no credentials)
* Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University

Introduction/Background (1/2 page)

* Identify the compelling practice problem
* Describe the significance, (scope, seriousness) of the practice problem
* Document the need for practice improvement
* Identify the target population

Problem (PICOT) statement (1/2 page)

* State a clear practice problem
* Address relevance of practice problem

Objectives

* State realistic and measurable objectives
* Relate objective to the practice problem
* Identify realistic and measureable outcomes
* Link outcomes to objectives

Literature review (3 pages)

* Synthesize the current evidence
* Presents a multidimensional perspective including supporting and conflicting evidence
* Describe search strategy and databases used

Organizational assessment (1/2 page)

* Document a SWOT analysis
* Identify the inter-professional team roles in the project

Framework (1/2 page)

* Identify the model or framework to be used
* Justify how the model or framework fits with the project

Methods (2 ½ pages)

* Identify project design
* Address appropriateness of project design for the practice problem and objectives
* Identify sample
* Identify setting
* Describe recruitment of subjects
* Identify instruments to be used, and describe validity & reliability
* Identify specific procedures (step by step) to be used to implement the project
* Address human subjects protection
* Describe data collection and management plan
* Discuss how data analysis plan fits design

Cost effectiveness (1/2 page)

* Discuss resources associated with project
* Identify cost/benefit analysis or cost saving/avoidance with implementation of project

Dissemination and sustainability (1/2 page)

* Describe dissemination plan
* Identify sustainability plan

Timeline (1 page)

* Identify a comprehensive time line for the project
* Identify due dates

References

Appendix, tables