

**EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF NURSING  
PhD in Nursing**

**Residency Activity Approval and Evaluation Form**

*"The purpose of the residency requirement is to build a community of scholars. It provides a doctoral student with significant time for sustained participation with peers and faculty members in scholarly and creative activities that will benefit rural and underserved populations."*

Proposed Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor(s) / Preceptor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Financial Support: (Amount, Source) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Activity Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Outcomes

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved:

Academic Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PhD Program Coordinator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluation:    Satisfactory             Unsatisfactory

Advisor Comments

Academic Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Residency Guidelines

## I. Introduction

The College of Nursing considers the nursing residency as the foundation for establishing a research agenda. Every doctoral student will complete 300 hours of residency activities. The goals of the residency are: to enhance professional development and to enhance socialization to the professional role of researcher and nurse scholar. Students and advisors work together to develop a residency plan. The Coordinator, PhD in Nursing program, will critically evaluate, approve and sign the plan prior to implementation. Documentation of residency activities should be in a portfolio format; the completed residency portfolio must be submitted no later than the semester in which the Qualifying Examinations are taken. Students should write a synopsis of each residency activity as a reflective critical analysis and not merely as a list of activities with descriptions. Residency activities fall into the categories of research and professional development, with the majority of the hours in research. Students complete a [Residency Activity Approval](#) form for each residency activity. At the completion of the residency hours, students will write a broad, self-reflective essay which synthesizes the residency experiences and outlines how the residency hours have assisted with preparing the student for dissertation. Once students complete residency portfolios, they must also fill out and submit a [Results of Examination, Report, and/or Culminating Experience](#) form to the Coordinator, PhD in Nursing program, who will then submit it to the School of Graduate Studies.

## II. Residency Activities

Examples of activities that may fulfill residency requirements include, but are not limited to:

- Assisting nursing faculty with research projects;
- Attending seminars/conferences that are research based and/or related to the student's area of interest (no more than 60 hours of conferences to fulfill the 300 hour requirement);
- Participating in interdisciplinary research with faculty;
- Participating on a grant writing team;
- Serving as author or co-author of a published peer reviewed article or book chapter;
- Actively participating as a leader in political issues related to nursing, health care, community service, cultural diversity and research.