

ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

Module Title	Independent Study Module: Inquiry into the Evidence-base for Nursing Practice & Strategies for Implementation of the Evidence		
Module Code	HEA00137M	Module Level*	7
Word Limit /Exam Duration	10,000 words	Assessment Type(s)	Dissertation
Marking Criteria Guidelines should be read in conjunction with the marking criteria guidance for the module level* noted above: http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/markgrid/			
Confidentiality It is a breach of confidentiality to disclose any personal information about a patient, service user, colleague, staff or any other person or place that could in principle enable them to be identified. For further guidance please refer to the departmental policy on Confidentiality at the following link: www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/conduct/confidentiality/			
Assessment Timing The deadline for correctly presenting a submission is 4.30pm on the published submission date. The submission deadline is published on the Programme Assessment Schedule available on the following link: http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/timetables/assessment-schedules/			
Referencing You must reference your work in accordance with departmental referencing guidelines which you can access via the following link: http://www.york.ac.uk/integrity/harvard.html			
Assessment Guidance <u>Assessment Title</u> An inquiry into the evidence-base for nursing practice <u>Assessment Guidance</u> 10,000-word inquiry into the evidence-base for a chosen nursing practice. This assessment requires you to complete your dissertation through consideration of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a clear research question relevant to an area of their clinical practice. 2. Apply an appropriate search methodology to retrieve literature relevant to their identified research question and report the outcomes of searching. 3. Critically analyse and synthesise the included literature relating to their research question. 4. Evaluate an approach to research implementation and consider the factors involved in implementing the findings from research. Present the dissertation in chapters, using the following format: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Title page: Should contain your examination candidate number, dissertation title, course title, module code, date of submission, and name of dissertation supervisor. 2. Table of contents: Sets out the order of your review. 3. List of Abbreviations: Not compulsory but can clarify the meaning of any used. 5. Acknowledgements: An opportunity to anonymously thank key people who helped you in completing the review. 6. Abstract: Giving a summary of your review in 200 -250 words. 7. Introduction: Should include the background, rationale and aims and research question for the dissertation. 8. Identifying and including literature for your review: Make explicit the process undertaken to find the literature for the review. This should include a search strategy , the databases searched, 'limits' placed on searches (including date and language), inclusion/exclusion criteria, reporting the results of searching using a PRISMA flow chart, identifying the approach used to appraise for methodological quality of included research. 9. Approach to analysing (appraising) and synthesising the literature: Consider the strength of the evidence you have produced and draw together the findings from the included studies to reach an answer to the research 			

question. Place them in context of existing literature (this may include policy literature, professional standards etc). Also acknowledge any limitations.

10. Briefly outline and evaluate an approach to implementing the reviewed evidence and consider the factors involved in implementing the findings of the evidence.
11. Conclusion
12. References.
13. Appendices: Add your anonymised proposal to the appendices of your dissertation. Include other appendices as appropriate.

Formative support

To assist you in developing your dissertation, you will have opportunity to:

- Discuss how to formulate your research question and ideas for your dissertation with your dissertation supervisor.
- Seek clarity and guidance on the appropriateness of your research question and proposal by submitting a dissertation proposal..
- Discuss draft written work with your dissertation supervisor.

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