OUR COLLEGE ISN’T FOR THE AVERAGE. THEN AGAIN NEITHER IS OUR CALLING.
Beyond Hospice: An Advanced Education Model

Graduate-level Coursework (3 credits each)
Complete your graduate certificate in less than one year by taking three online courses.

• Advanced Concepts in Palliative Care - NURS 6744
An advanced course focusing on theory and practice in palliative care including: use of an evidence-based approach; current palliative care models and practice; multidimensional assessment and care plan development; advanced communication skills; responses to loss and grief; ethical decision-making; and palliative care in diverse settings and populations.

• Complex Symptom Management - NURS 6785
An advanced course focusing on complex symptom management in palliative care including: use of advanced practice assessment and intervention skills; advanced symptom management (pain, dyspnea, fatigue, acute confusional states, anxiety, depression, complex GI symptoms, sleep issues, issues in hydration and nutrition, nausea, vomiting, palliative sedation and corresponding ethical issues; pharmacological/non-pharmacological interventions; and case study resolution focusing on the integration of course content.

• Practical Applications for Palliative Care Programming - NURS 6747
An advanced course focusing in practical applications of palliative care in the acute, post-acute, and ambulatory settings. Course content emphasizes program development, public policy, quality improvement, and analytics.

Who should participate?
Intended Audience:
• Graduate students (Master’s, Post-Graduate, Doctoral)
• Advanced practice nurses (CNS, NP)
• BS nurses who practice in palliative care or hospice
• Other interested health care professionals

Purpose of the Certificate Program
• To provide advanced education for palliative care.
• To advance knowledge, practice, and research in palliative care.
• To promote change in the clinical climate towards palliative care.
• To introduce a caring science framework into the practice of palliative care.
• To reach nurses and health care professionals in both urban and rural settings in Colorado and beyond.
• To provide theory review for the Advanced Certified Hospice and Palliative Nurse (ACHPN) certification exam.

Program Faculty
Paula Nelson-Marten, PhD, RN, AOCN
Sean M. Reed, PhD, ACNS-BC, ACHPN

Visit our website to learn:
• Current tuition rates and associated fees
• Course offering schedule
• Frequently asked questions
• Technology requirements

Office of Extended Studies:
303-724-1812  •  CON.ExtendedStudies@ucdenver.edu

NURSING.UCDENVER.EDU/PALLCARE

THE ESSENCE OF PALLIATIVE CARE IS TO FOCUS ON THE DELIVERY OF HOLISTIC CARE WITHIN AN INTERDISCIPLINARY MODEL THAT PROVIDES APPROPRIATE SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE IN INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE A CHRONIC AND/OR LIFE-THREATENING ILLNESS.