

Special Permission Required

Course Description	This course will provide students with a basic proficiency in hospice and palliative care medicine. Students will learn about the compassionate care of terminally ill patients with a focus on spiritual, emotional and comfort care in a multi-disciplinary setting.
Course Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advise patients and families on goal setting and plan of care for terminally ill patients.• Assess and manage anorexia, dyspnea, N/V, delirium, terminal restlessness and pain• Assess and manage emergent conditions related to the end of life care• Demonstrate a compassionate/truthful conversation with a dying patient
Course Activities	Students will participate in lecture sessions and conferences, as well as attend clinical sessions involving inpatient Hospice bedside care, home visits, and palliative care rounds. Students are expected to attend all team meetings. Oral presentations and written assignments may be assigned.
Course Schedule Requirements	No on-call requirement. Student is present during usual clinical hours (7:00am – 6:00pm, Monday – Friday, excluding holidays as determined by the ECU calendar).

Duration	2 weeks	Location	Eddie and Jo Allison Smith Cancer Center at Vidant Medical Center
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Designation	Elective	Revised	04.11.2019
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