This seminar invites participants to recognize the immeasurable value of forethought, preparation, decision-making, and action in dealing with the end of life. Participants will learn practical skills for communicating and interacting, based on the understanding that our ultimate goal is a good life – all the way to the very end.

Your home during the seminar will be Saint Francis University’s site in southwestern Ambialet, France. Perched on a hilltop of the Midi-Pyrenees, the peaceful setting offers an ideal environment for reflection on the program’s focus.

The End of Life Care Seminar will be taught by Rosemary Bertocci, Ph.D. and Francis Rohlf, Ph.D.

Topics for the seminar will include:
- Therapeutic Yoga for End of Life Care patients
- Denial of death in society
- Normalizing the physiology of dying and death
- Patient Preferences and the Principle of Autonomy
- Communication strategies concerning physical & medical aspects of dying
- Physical signs and symptoms of dying
- Suffering of patients and families
- Individual perspectives about end of life issues
- Competing values of concerned family members
- Quality of Life Issues and the Principle of Proportionality
- Pain assessment and management at the end of life
- The Method of Double Effect
- Value of hospice and palliative care for quality care at the end of life
- Home-based or Managed Care dying
- Physical, psychological, social, & spiritual needs & interventions for a dying patient and family
- Collaboration with team members when implementing palliative care
- Ethical and legal concerns in end of life and palliative care
- Advance Directives and Durable Power of Attorney
- Withholding and Withdrawing Life-sustaining Treatments
- Indemnifying health care providers
- Differentiate anticipatory grief, normal grief, and complicated grief

Program Fee: $2,850 (for all seminar participants)
includes: seminar, airfare, insurance, excursions, room and board

Who Is Eligible For This Seminar?
Undergraduate students who have already spent a semester in France, graduate students, faculty, professionals and nonprofessionals with an interest in End of Life Care.

Your Home During the Seminar
Saint Francis University’s site in France is a renovated historic priory located in the picturesque Tarn Valley in Southwestern France. The building overlooks the quaint village of Ambialet (population 41), where time seems to stand still. You can’t help but feel a wave of calm at the priory as you peer into the valley and listen to the rumble of the waters below.
2020 SUMMER END OF LIFE CARE SEMINAR APPLICATION

Return completed application to the Office for Study Abroad (15 Scotus Hall) along with a, current transcript, a copy of your passport (or, if you do not yet have your passport, a copy of your passport application) and a deposit of $300 made payable to Saint Francis University. The deposit will be applied to the program fee. Note: Previous health, academic, or disciplinary problems may influence your ability to participate in this program.

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Requirements to Study Abroad
At the time of application students must have a 2.7 GPA for the semester-long program or a 2.5 GPA for any of the short-term programs (anything lower requires approval from the program director). Passing grades (C or better) in key subject areas may also be required. Students must have successfully completed at least one semester, and preferably one year, at Saint Francis University before studying abroad. Students must demonstrate emotional stability and maturity and indicate the ability to lead a responsible and healthy life abroad as a representative of the U.S. and Saint Francis University. Students must submit the application and all travel forms to the Office for Study Abroad (see application process below) before acceptance into any study abroad program will be considered. Previous health, academic, or disciplinary problems, may influence the decision.

Study Abroad Withdrawal Policy
Withdrawal from any Saint Francis University study or service abroad program must be made in writing and delivered to the Office for Study Abroad in person (205 Scotus Hall) or certified mailed (Saint Francis University, Office for Study Abroad, P.O. Box 600, Loretto, PA 15940). The date in which the withdrawal is received at the Office for Study Abroad will determine the amount of refund.

If you withdraw or are withdrawn from your study abroad program you will receive a refund: non-refundable application fee, any non-recoverable portion of the airfare, any non-recoverable program costs such as housing payments and deposits, excursion pre-payments, etc. (The closer the program is to the start date the less recoverable costs will be available). Student withdrawals are not accepted after the start of a program.

If you withdraw from the study abroad program, it is also your responsibility to withdraw from your study abroad courses.

Withdrawals from a study abroad program due to lack of passport and/or visa are held to the same withdrawal policies.

Your signature below indicates your understanding and acceptance of the Study Abroad Withdrawal Policy and your acceptance of the Agreement and Waiver statement.

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