

## Conference Schedule

### *Day 1: September 24, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM*

8:00-8:30	Check-in
8:30-10:00	Perspectives on death
10:00-10:15	<i>Refreshment break</i>
10:15-11:45	Skills for coping with dying
11:45-1:15	<i>Lunch on your own</i>
1:15-2:15	Legal issues of death
2:15-3:00	Ethical principles
3:00-3:15	<i>Refreshment break</i>
3:15-4:30	Ethical principles, continued.
4:30-5:00	Open discussion, evaluations, distribution of certificates

### *Day 2: September 25, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM*

8:00-8:30	Check-in
8:30-9:00	Definitions
9:00-10:00	Aspects of grief work
10:00-10:15	<i>Refreshment break</i>
10:15-11:00	Tasks and stages of grief
11:00-11:45	Aspects of unresolved grief
11:45-1:15	<i>Lunch on your own</i>
1:15-2:00	Children and grief
2:00-3:00	Therapeutic techniques
3:00-3:15	<i>Refreshment break</i>
3:15-4:30	Care for the caregiver
4:30-5:00	Open discussion, evaluation, distribution of certificates

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[www.valdosta.edu/news/visitors\\_guide.shtml](http://www.valdosta.edu/news/visitors_guide.shtml)

## Overview:

“Death is certain. Not one of us can escape the certainty that grief will reside within our hearts at some time during our lives” (Freeman, S. J., 2005). This Interdisciplinary Conference on End-of-Life Issues and Bereavement Issues is designed to provide participants with theoretical and practical knowledge for use in situations and environments where loss has occurred. Participants will learn about different perspectives on death, legal and ethical issues associated with end-of-life, grief and movement through the grief stages, children and grief, interventions, care for the caregiver, and other topics.

*Conference presenter*, Dr. Stephen J. Freeman, Professor, Department of Counseling, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Registered Psychiatric Nurse, has 35 years experience working in this field. He has many publications that focus on these issues, and has authored *Grief & Loss: Understanding the Journey* (2005).

## Conference includes:

- ⇒ 2-Day format. Day 1 addresses some of the dilemmas and decisions family members and caregivers face when providing palliative care for the terminally ill. Day 2 focuses on bereavement issues and the facilitation of the task of grief for survivors.
- ⇒ Continuing education certificates for professional development available for nurses, social workers, and school counselors. (Additional fees apply, see details on registration form)
- ⇒ Conference materials, refreshments breaks, and free parking

## Cancellations and Refunds:

All cancellations must be received in writing on or before Tuesday, September 15, 2009. A materials fee of \$30 will be deducted from all refunds requested after September 15, 2009.

**No refunds will be granted after September 21.**

## For more information about the conference, contact:

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**REGISTRATION FORM:** Please print clearly. Copy & distribute form as needed.

**Interdisciplinary Conference on End-of-Life Issues and Bereavement Issues**

Pre-registration deadline **September 15, 2009** - Late Registration available on-site (see fees below)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last four digit SSN \_\_\_\_\_  
Profession \_\_\_\_\_ Professional License # \_\_\_\_\_ (Nursing & Social Work)  
Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer & Address \_\_\_\_\_ Dept/Unit \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fees & Payment Options:**

2-day Conference fees

- \$99 Pre-registration** (postmarked on or before September 15)
- \$149 Late Registration** (postmarked after September 15 or On-site)
- \$60 Student Registration** (VSU /UniversityStudent ID # required \_\_\_\_\_)



1-day Conference fees (No PLU certificate available)

Circle date attending:

- \$60 Pre-registration**       **\$80 Late Registration**

**Sept 24** or **Sept 25**       **\$40 Student Registration** ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

VSU/University Student ID # required

**Certificate Fees:**

- Nurses: \$15** - 1 day (7.0 contact hours) 2 days (14.0 contact hours)
- Social Workers: \$10** - 1 day (7.0 core hours) 2 days (14.0 core hours)
- School Counselors: \$10** - 1 PLU (must attend both days)

- Total Fees:** \_\_\_\_\_
- To register using your credit card call **229.245.6484 (Visa, MasterCard & Discover)**.
  - Check enclosed payable to: VSU **Continuing Education**. **Check #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail registration form and payment to:**

VSU Continuing Education, 1500 N. Patterson St., Valdosta, GA 31698-0435  
Fax to: 229.333.5397 or Call 229.245.6484 for additional registration information.

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CONFERENCE ON  
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September 24 and 25, 2009

**University Center (Magnolia Room)  
Valdosta State University  
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Valdosta, GA 31698**

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