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Prerequisites: Sophomore Standing, CHEM 102

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I. Course Description

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3 lecture hours 0 lab hours 3 semester hours (3c-0l-3sh)

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II. Course Objectives

At the conclusion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Discuss the utility of selected nursing frameworks as a guide to professional nursing practice
- 2. Discuss the elements of Neuman's holistic care model in wellness, illness, and disease management
- 3. Analyze psychosocial and physiological factors that are vital to health promotion, risk reduction, and disease prevention
- 4. Explain the components of the nursing process
- 5. Describe the basic principles of pharmacology in nursing practice

III. Course Outline

Weeks 1-2 A. Theories and conceptual frameworks for nursing practice

6 hrs.

- 1. Introduction to nursing frameworks
- 2. Key concepts common to nursing models
- 3. The health process
- a. Neuman Systems Model
 - 1) Concepts of the model
 - 2) Lines of defense
 - 3) Basic structure of client system
 - 4) Identification of stressors
- b. Orem's self-care model
 - 1) Concepts of the model
 - 2) Universal self-care activities
 - Activities related to health deviation selfcare requisites
 - 4) Nursing interventions in the Orem model
- c. King's mutual goal attainment
 - 1) Mutuality and responsibility of the nurse
 - 2) Nurse-client transactions
 - 3) Patient decision-making
 - 4) Nursing interventions

	d. Watson's Model of Human Care	
	1) The nature of the helping relationship	
	2) Concepts of trust, empathy and hope	
	3) Nursing interventions	
Weeks 3-4	B. The nursing process	6 hrs.
	1. Assessment	
	2. Identify nursing diagnosis	
	3. Planning	
	4. Implementation	
	5. Evaluation	
Weeks 5-6	C. Elements of holistic care	6 hrs.
	1. Wellness, health, and illness	
	a. General concepts	
	b. Health continuum	
	2. Health promotion, risk reduction, and disease prevention	
	a. Pender's health promotion model	
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	b. Perceptions promoting healthful behaviors	
	c. Modifying factors influencing healthful behaviors	
	d. Nursing interventions influencing healthful behaviors	
	e. The sick role	
	f. Stressor management	
	3. Elements and settings of community health practice	
	a. Individuals, families, and groups	
	4. Ethnicity and culture	
	a. Leininger's transcultural nursing theory	
	b. Complementary health care practices	
	5. Spirituality	
	a. Religious beliefs related to health care	
	b. Spiritual health and the nursing process	
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Week 7	D. Promoting psychosocial health	3 hrs.
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	a. Concept of self and self-esteem	
	b. Maintenance and evaluation of self-esteem	
	2. Stress, adaptation, and coping	
	3. Loss, grieving, and death	
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Weeks 8-9	Mid-term Exam	1 hr.
	E. Promoting physiological health	5 hrs.
	1. Activity and rest	
	2. Sleep	
	3. Comfort and pain	
	4. Nutrition	
	5. Fluid, electrolytes, and acid-base balance	
	6. Oxygenation	
	7. Elimination	
	8. Sensory perception and cognition	
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d. Watson's Model of Human Care

Weeks 10-14 F. Application of pharmacology in nursing practice

15 hrs.

- 1. Medication legislation and standards
- 2. Pharmacokinetics
 - a. Absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion
- 3. Pharmacodynamics
 - a. Mechanisms of drug actions, receptors, agonists, and antagonists
 - b. Dose-response relationship
 - c. Patient-related factors that affect drug response
- 4. Nursing responsibilities in medication administration
- 5. Legal implications

Finals Week:

Final Exam

IV. Evaluation Methods*

The grade for this course will be calculated based on:

30% Mid-term exam (multiple choice and essay questions)

30% Final exam (multiple choice)

20% Case studies

10% Written assignments

10% Care plan based on case study

Grading scale:

- A 90-100%
- B 80-89%
- C 70-79%
- D 60-69%
- F Less than 60%

V. Required Textbooks:

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VI. Special Resource Requirements

None

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Section A: Details of the Course

- A1 This course will fit into the sophomore year of the Bachelor of Science degree in the Nursing program. It is a required course for students in the major.
- A2 This course is part of the curriculum revision in the Nursing program.
- A3 This course has never been offered at IUP.
- A4 This course is not intended to be offered as a dual-level course.
- A5 This course is not intended to be taken for variable credit.
- A6 This material on the theoretical foundations of nursing practice is included in other baccalaureate nursing programs.
- A7 The content in this course is necessary to practice nursing (Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, State Board of Nursing Professional and Vocational Standards). The information taught in this course is consistent with the test plan for the licensing exam for nursing (NCLEX-RN).

Section B: Interdisciplinary Implications

- B1 This course will be taught by one faculty member within the Nursing Department.
- B2 This course does not overlap with any other courses at the University.
- B3 No seats in the course will be reserved for students in Continuing Education.

Section C: Implementation

- C1 No new faculty are needed to teach this course.
- C2 Other Resources
 - a. Current space allocations are adequate to offer this course
 - b. Currently Stapleton Library subscribes to a number of nursing journals that would be helpful for students in this course. These journals include: American Journal of Nursing, Holistic Nursing Practice, Nursing Outlook, and Journal of Geriatric Nursing. In addition, the Department of Nursing and Allied Health Professions receives subscriptions to other journals which might be useful to students in this course. These journals include: Journal of Professional Nursing, and Image. The library also has a holding of textbooks related to nursing. Periodic updates of these holdings are necessary. The department currently has a mechanism in place for identifying needs for updated texts in priority order and recommending future purchases for the library holdings.
- C3 No grant funds are associated with this course
- C4 This course will be offered in the Spring semester only.

- C5 One section of this course will be offered at a time.
- C6 Eighty students will be accommodated in this course.
- C7 No professional society limits enrollment in a course of this nature.