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I. Course Description

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4 lecture hours 0 lab hours 4 semester hours (4c -01 - 4sh)

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II. Course Objectives

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

- 1. Discuss the etiology, pathophysiology, clinical manifestations, sequela and treatment of specific disease states
- 2. Identify nursing actions for primary prevention with adults and aging families and secondary prevention/ intervention with adults with diverse cultural backgrounds
- 3. Describe the physiologic effects of therapeutic drugs and associated nursing responsibilities
- 4. Describe appropriate nursing interventions, including physiological and psychosocial rationale, for individuals with specific health problems
- 5. Draw appropriate conclusions about learning needs and teaching strategies for individuals/families coping with specific disease states
- 6. Identify research-based clinical interventions

III. Course Outline

Week 1-2 Unit I The Body's Response to Injury

- I. CELL INJURY/INFLAMMATION/INFECTION
- 3 hrs

- A. Review of cell injury/death
- B. Role of inflammation in disease
- C. Body's response to infection
 - 1. Local infection vs. sepsis
- D. Antibiotic Treatment
 - a. Culture and Sensitivity studies
 - b. Categories of Antibiotics
 - c. Common side effects
- E. Effects of Aging

	II. THE PATIENT HAVING SURGERY	3 hrs
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	Aspiration a. Preventive measures	
	2. Atelectasis	
	a. Prevention	
	1) Turn/cough/deep breath regimen2) Ambulation	
	3. Infection	
	a. Factors influencing risk for infection	
	b. Monitoring wounds	
	c. Monitoring for bladder infections	
	C. Potential Complications: assessment and interventions	
	1. Deep vein thrombosis	
	2. Paralytic ileus	
	3. Fluid & electrolyte imbalance	
	a. Intravenous fluid management	
	1) Crystalloid IV fluids	
	2) Blood, colloids, platelets	
	4. Immobility	
	5. Pneumonia	
	D. Powerlessness/Loss of Control	
	1. Interventions	
	E. Acute Pain Control	2 hrs
	1. Myths of addiction and respiratory depression	2 1113
2. Equianalgesia		
	F. Discharge Planning	
	1. Disolarge 1 mining	
	Unit I Exam	1 hr
Unit II Prol	blems of Oxygenation	
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Week 3-4	I. CARDIOVASCULAR DISORDERS	
WCCR 5-4	A. Artiosclerosis/Atherosclerosis	1 hr
	1. Etiology	1 IH
	2. Effects of aging	
	3. Pathophysiologic processes	
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	B. Hypertension	1 hr
	1. Etiology	1 111
	2. Effects of aging	
	3. Pathophysiologic processes	
	4. Clinical manifestations	
	5. Applying principles of patient education	
	6. Diet therapy	
	7. Exercise regimen/Weight loss	
	8. Drug therapy	

9. Coping with extensive changes in health/new treatment plan

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2 hrs

- 1. Risk factors
- 2. The effects of aging
- 3. Pathophysiologic processes
- 4. Clinical manifestations
- 5. Selected diagnostic studies
 - a. ECG
 - b. Stress tests (+ thallium, + technicium)
 - c. Coronary angiogram
- 6. Assessment and interventions of acute chest pain (What to do BEFORE calling MD)
- 7. Patient Education: Angina attacks at home
- 8. Collaborative Care Issues
 - a. Prevention of stable angina
 - b. Treat/Prevent hyperlipidemia
 - c. Prevent/Treat hypertension
 - d. Smoking cessation
 - e. Weight loss
 - f. Establishing and maintaining regular exercise program
- 9. Role of stressors

D. Congestive Heart Failure

3 hrs

- 1. Etiology
- 2. The effects of aging
- 3. Pathophysiologic processes
- 4. Clinical manifestations
- 5. Acute collaborative care
- 6. Acute independent nursing care
- 7. Discharge planning/home care
- 8. Complications
 - a. Pulmonary edema
 - 1. Causes
 - 2. Treatment

E. Peripheral Vascular Disease

1 hr

- 1. Etiology
- 2. The effects of aging
- 3. Pathophysiologic processes
- 4. Clinical manifestations
- 5. Acute collaborative care
- 6. Acute independent nursing care
- 7. Discharge planning/home care

Week 5	II. RESPIRATORY DISORDERS	5 hrs
	A. Restrictive Diseases	
	1. Pneumonia	
	a. Etiology	
	b. The effects of aging	
	c. Pathophysiologic processes	
	d. Clinical manifestations	
	e. Acute collaborative care	
	f. Discharge planning	
	2. Tuberculosis	
	a. Etiology	
	b. The effects of aging	
	c. Pathophysiologic processes	
	d. Clinical manifestations	
	e. Acute collaborative care	
	f. Home care	
	B. Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease	
	(Asthma, Emphysema, Chronic Bronchitis)	
	1. Etiology	
	2. The effects of aging	
	3. Pathophysiologic processes	
	4. Clinical manifestations	
	5. Acute collaborative care	
	6. Independent nursing care	
	a. Patient education	
	7. Discharge planning	
Week 6	III. HEMATOLOGICAL DISORDERS	2 hrs
	A. Anemia	
	1. Etiology/Types	
	a. Iron deficiency	
	b. Folic acid deficiency	
	c. Pernicious anemia	
	2. The effects of aging	
	3. Pathophysiologic processes	
	4. Clinical manifestations	
	5. Acute collaborative care	
	6. Independent nursing care	
	a. Patient education	
	7. Discharge planning	
	Unit II Exam	1 hr

Unit III Problems Related to Regulatory Mechanisms

Week 7-8	I. ENDOCRINE DISORDERS A. Diabetes Mellitus 1. Etiology/Types 2. The effects of aging 3. Pathophysiologic processes 4. Clinical manifestations 5. Acute collaborative care 6. Independent nursing care a. Patient education 7. Discharge planning 8. Complications	5 hrs
	 B. Thyroid Disorders 1. Etiology 2. The effects of aging 3. Pathophysiologic processes 4. Clinical manifestations 5. Acute collaborative care 6. Independent nursing care a. Patient education 7. Discharge planning 	.5 hr
	 C. Adrenal Disorders 1. Etiology 2. The effects of aging 3. Pathophysiologic processes 4. Clinical manifestations 5. Acute collaborative care 6. Independent nursing care a. Patient education 7. Discharge planning 	.5 hr
	 D. Pituitary Disorders 1. Etiology 2. The effects of aging 3. Pathophysiologic processes 4. Clinical manifestations 5. Acute collaborative care 6. Independent nursing care a. Patient Education 7. Discharge Planning 	.5 hr
	 E. Parathyroid Disorders 1. Etiology 2. The effects of aging 3. Pathophysiologic processes 4. Clinical manifestations 5. Acute collaborative care 	.5 hr

- 6. Independent nursing care a. Patient Education 7. Discharge Planning II. CANCERS 5 hrs A. Carcinogenesis 1. Risk factors/Primary prevention 2. Carcinogenesis a. Initiation b. Promotion c. Progression B. Screening C. Characteristics of Specific Cancers 1. Lung Cancer a. Population at risk b. Clinical manifestations 2. Breast Cancer a. Population at risk b. Clinical manifestations 3. Colon Cancer a. Population at risk b. Clinical manifestations 4. Prostate Cancer a. Population at risk b. Clinical manifestations 5. Leukemia/Lymphoma a. Population at risk b. Clinical manifestations D. Treatment Modalities 3 hrs. 1. Surgical 2. Radiotherapy 3. Chemotherapy 4. Biotherapy 5. Bone marrow and blood cell transplantation

Week 9-11

E. Interventions for Symptoms of Disease and Side Effects of Treatment

4 hrs.

- 1. Pain
- 2. Infection
- 3. Bleeding disorders
- 4. Fatigue
- 5. Nutritional disturbances
- 6. Hypercalcemia
- 7. Paraneoplastic syndromes
- 8. Malignant effusions and edemas
- 9. Sexual and reproductive dysfunction
- 10. Integumentary and mucous membranes alterations
- 11. Late effects of cancer treatment

F. Delivery systems for cancer care 1. Ambulatory care 2. Home care 3. Hospice care G. Issues in cancer survivorship 1. Psychosocial responses to cancer 2. Physical, economic, and social adaptation of the cancer survivor Unit III Exam 1 hr Unit IV Problems Related To Elimination Week 12-14 I. RENAL DISORDERS 4 hrs A. Urinary Tract Infections/Renal Calculi 1. Etiology 2. The effects of aging 3. Pathophysiologic processes 4. Clinical manifestations 5. Acute collaborative care 6. Independent nursing care a. Patient education B. Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy 1. Etiology 2. The effects of aging 3. Pathophysiologic processes 4. Clinical manifestations 5. Acute collaborative care 6. Independent nursing care a. Patient education C. Urinary Incontinence 1. Etiology 2. The effects of aging 3. Pathophysiologic processes 4. Clinical manifestations 5. Acute collaborative care 6. Independent nursing care a. Patient education 7. Discharge planning

II. GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS

4 hrs

- A. GERD/Peptic Ulcers
 - 1. The effects of aging
 - 2. Pathophysiologic processes
 - 3. Clinical manifestations

- 4. Acute collaborative care
- 5. Independent nursing care
 - a. Patient education
- 6. Discharge planning

B. Inflammatory Bowel Disease/Diverticulitis

- 1. Etiology
- 2. The effects of aging
- 3. Pathophysiologic processes
- 4. Clinical manifestations
- 5. Acute collaborative care
- 6. Independent nursing care
 - a. Patient education
- 7. Discharge planning

Unit V Problems Related to Altered Sensory Input

I. SENSORY DISORDERS

A. Cataracts/Glaucoma

- 1. Etiology
- 2. The effects of aging
- 3. Pathophysiological processes
- 4. Clinical manifestations
- 5. Acute collaborative care
- 6. Independent nursing care
 - a. Patient education
- 7. Discharge planning

B. Hearing Loss

- 1. Etiology
- 2. The effects of aging
- 3. Pathophysiological processes
- 4. Clinical manifestations
- 5. Acute collaborative care
- 6. Independent nursing care
 - a. Patient education
- 7. Discharge planning

Unit V Exam

Finals Week: Final Exam

IV. Evaluation Methods*

60% Unit exams (multiple choice)

20% Final exam

10% Written assignment

10% Individual or collaborative case study analysis

e)

2 hrs

1 hr

Grading scale:

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

*To progress in the Nursing Program, the student must achieve at least a 70% average grade on the exams AND at least a 70% average grade on all other assignments.

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COURSE ANALYSIS QUESTIONNAIRE NURS 336 Adult Health I

Section A: Details of the Course

- A1 This course will fit into the junior 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 adult health nursing would be included in other baccalaureate nursing programs.
- A7 The content in this course is necessary to practice nursing in an adult health setting (Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, State Board 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 or two faculty members at a time within the Nursing Department. Determination will be based on the expertise of individual faculty and other factors.
- 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: <u>American Journal of Nursing, RN, Nurse Educator, Nursing, Cancer Nursing, Geriatric Nursing, and Nursing Clinics of North America.</u> In addition, the Department of Nursing and Allied Health Professions receives subscriptions to other journals which might be useful to students in the course. These journals include: <u>Research in Nursing and Health, Journal of Professional Nursing, and Journal of Nursing Scholarship.</u> The library also has a holding of references 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 both the Fall and Spring semesters.
- C5 One section of the course will be offered at a time.
- C6 Forty students will be accommodated in this course.
- C7 No professional society limits enrollment in a course of this nature.