NURSING (NURS)

COURSES

240 Nursing as a Scholarly Profession: 3
Introduction to the practice of professional nursing. The course focuses on the philosophy of the nursing program, the nature of the nursing profession and utilization of the scientific process.
Prereq: Admission to program.

250 Health Promotion: 2
Introduction to community as client and setting for nursing practice. Focus on theory and methods of health promotion and teaching-learning. Introduction to providing culturally-sensitive care.
Prereq: Admission to program.

251 Skills and Concepts for Nursing: 2
Introduction to the nursing process, basic nursing skills and clinical decision-making.
Prereq: NURS 240, 250 and admission to program.

252 Gerontologic Nursing: 2
This course focuses on health, the deviations of health, and the nursing care of the geriatric population.
Prereq: NURS 240, 250 and admission to program.

341 Foundations of Clinical Nursing 3
This course emphasizes the physiologic, psychologic, and pathophysiologic concepts that provide the foundation for professional nursing care.
Prereq: second year level nursing courses and admission to program.

342 Adult Health Nursing I 5
This course emphasizes the pathophysiology and the nursing care of adult clients experiencing common disorders of body systems. 3 credits didactic, 2 credits clinical.
Prereq: second year level nursing courses and admission to program.

343 Professional Nursing Theories and Concepts 2
In this course the licensed practical nurse begins study of the professional nursing role. The course focuses on the philosophy of the nursing program and the nature of the nursing profession.
Prereq: Licensure as a practical nurse.

352 Family Nursing I 5
This course focuses on nursing care and health promotion for the childbearing family. Includes identification and care of high-risk clients. 3 credits didactic, 2 credits clinical.
Prereq: second year level nursing courses, NURS 340, 341, 342, PHRM 300 and admission to program.

360 Health Assessment 4
Focuses on health assessment and health promotion of individual clients through utilization of the nursing process and basic nursing concepts.
Prereq: Admission to program.

362 Family Nursing II 4
Focuses on nursing care of the child and family as client. Includes infancy through adolescence, hospitalized and within the community, acutely ill and chronically ill; common stressors throughout the growing years; strategies for health promotion. 3 credits didactic, 1 credit clinical.
Prereq: second year level nursing courses, NURS 340, 341, 342, PHRM 300 and admission to program.

372 Integrated Family Nursing 2
Provides the student opportunity to integrate prior learning about pediatric and obstetrical care with an increased knowledge of family dynamics and cultural influences.
Prereq: RN or LPN licensure, admission to program.

402 Mental Health Nursing 5
Synthesis and application of nursing and psychiatric-mental health concepts to promote the wellness of individuals and groups. 3 credits didactic, 2 credits clinical.
Prereq: second year level nursing courses, NURS 340, 341, 342, PHRM 300 and admission to program.

403 Adult Health Nursing II 5
Focuses on the etiology, pathophysiology, and nursing care of adult clients experiencing selected clinical problems originating from respiratory and cardiovascular systems, neuro trauma, and multisystem problems. Care of families of clients is also emphasized.
3 credits didactic, 2 credits clinical.
Prereq: second year level nursing courses, NURS 340, 341, 342, PHRM 300 and admission to program.

404 Adult Health III 4
The pathophysiologic mechanisms and organization of nursing care of adult clients experiencing selected complex stressors. 2 credits didactic, 2 credits clinical.
Prereq: second and third year level nursing courses, NURS 402, 403, 440 and admission to program.

405 Psychosocial Nursing 2
In this course the student will synthesize prior learning with further exploration of psychosocial nursing.
Prereq: RN or LPN licensure, admission to program.

406 Public Health Nursing 4
The focus of this course will include the core functions of public health, partnering with the community, primary prevention, creation of healthy environments, service to those at risk, stewardship of resources, and multidisciplinary collaboration. 3 credits didactic, 1 credit clinical.
Prereq: second and third year level nursing courses, NURS 402, 403, 440 and admission to program.

407 Adult Health: Complex Problems 5
Designed for persons with a nursing license, this course focuses on the etiology, pathophysiologic mechanisms, and organization of nursing care for adult clients experiencing selected complex stressors.
Prereq: NURS 240 or 360.

430 Nursing Management 2
Study of concepts and issues related to management and leadership in professional nursing.
Prereq: NURS 340, 341, 342 and admission to program.

440 Nursing Issues/Career 2
This course presents an overview of contemporary nursing issues and a guide for career development.
Prereq: NURS 340.

450 Nursing Synthesis and Practicum 4
NURS 450 is the capstone course in the nursing major and provides a framework for the student’s transition to the entry-level professional role. 1 credit didactic, 3 credits clinical.
Prereq: second, third and other fourth year level nursing courses and admission to program.

601 Theoretical Perspectives of the Discipline 2
The course is designed to help the student analyze, critique and apply a variety of nursing theories, models and conceptual frameworks in advanced nursing practice.

602 Ethics of Health Care and Nursing 2
The course provides the graduate nursing student with opportunities to analyze interactions among common clinical, organizational, societal, and policy decisions from ethical and legal perspectives.

604 Advanced Nursing Research 3
Research in nursing includes an exploration of the research process and the methodologies appropriate to nursing.

606 Health Care Delivery Systems
Policy and Financing 2
Focus on health care delivery systems configuration, policy development and how health care systems are financed.

608 Transcultural and Social Perspectives 3
Develop understanding of diversities in races, cultures, individuals, families, communities, populations, lifestyles, gender, and age groups. Changing demographics will be analyzed, major health needs identified, and health promotion and disease prevention plans formulated.

612 Advanced Health Assessment 3
Performance of health histories, complete physical/psychosocial assessments, and developmental assessments of clients from across the lifespan. A laboratory component is included.

612P Practicum I: Advanced Health Assessment 3
Clinical opportunities for application of recently learned skills and extended clinical experiences in advanced health assessment. Clinicals are supervised by a health care provider who has documented expertise in the area of specialization.

614 Advanced Pathophysiology I 2
General pathophysiological responses to selected body systems to disease processes are presented from both biological and behavioral perspectives. Emphasis on normal cellular function, developmental changes and common physiological symptoms.

616 Advanced Pathophysiology II 2
Builds on the context from NURS 614 with emphasis on normal cellular function, developmental changes and common physiological symptoms. Synergistic clinical
manifestations and total body-mind responses to system alterations. Prereq: NURS 614.

618 Family Nursing Theory and Health Promotion 3
Theoretical foundations and research based interventions related to psychosocial effects of illness, health behaviors, health promotion and disease prevention. Critically examines patterns of health behaviors, influence of psychosocial issues, risk assessment, lifestyles, and developmental stages.

620 Advanced Practice Roles 2
Focus on the advanced practice nurse’s role expectations. Includes an understanding of the profession, regulations and rules of advanced practice, scope of practice, legal ramifications of scope of practice, interdisciplinary, collaborative practice. Prereq: NURS 634P, 641P.

620P Practicum IV: FNP Role Integration 4
Clinical focus on the advanced practice nurse’s role expectations in the primary care setting. Includes an understanding of the profession, regulations and rules of advanced practice, scope of practice, legal ramifications of scope of practice, and interdisciplinary, collaborative practice. Prereq: NURS 634P, 641P.

621 Integrative Health Practices 3
Integrative therapies with a focus on selected systems of health and specific modalities widely used by health care consumers. Emphasis on assessing patients for use and developing a list of educational and provider resources.

623 The Nurse as Educator 4
Major study in selected area with an emphasis in research. Prereq: NURS 632.

624 Advanced Transcultural Nursing 3
Program planning to promote the health of diverse populations will be based on epidemiological data, theory and research. Students will select a specific age group or health problem within a population/cultural group to study in depth. Prereq: NURS 608.

625 Advanced Parish Nursing 3
Emphasis is placed on the mind-body-soul connection with health and healing. Strategies for designing, implementing and evaluating a parish nurse program, along with administrative implications are explored. Prereq: NURS 616, 618.

626 Ethical Considerations of Parish Nursing 3
Ethical and legal considerations unique to an advanced parish nursing practice are evaluated and protocols recommended. Theoretical applications, research findings, and policy and legal principles are utilized. Parameters of advanced nursing practice in parish settings will be delineated. Prereq: NURS 602.

630 Advanced Community Assessment 3
Epidemiologic techniques, reporting, and research will be presented. Emphasis is placed on disease prevention and control. Health problems of national and international significance will be examined and strategies for solutions and/or management will be proposed. Prereq: STAT 330.

631 Advanced Pharmacology I 2
Information relative to therapeutic management guidelines for treatment of selected disease processes. Drug information by classification and basic principles of pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics, clinical uses, mechanisms of action, contraindications, adverse reactions, and client education implications.

632 Advanced Pharmacology II 2
Continuation of information relative to therapeutic management guidelines for treatment of selected disease processes. Drug information by classification and basic principles of pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics, clinical uses, mechanisms of action, contraindications, adverse reactions, and client education implications. Prereq: NURS 631.

633 Family Primary Care I:
Assessment and Management 3
Clinical decision making skills are fostered in the diagnosis, management, monitoring and evaluation of common acute, emergent, and chronic health conditions. Selected case studies of clients will be examined in relation to problems, diagnoses, plans, and evaluations. Prereq: NURS 612P, 616.

633P Practicum II: Family Primary Care I 4
Clinical opportunities for application of recently learned skills and extended clinical experiences in advanced health assessment. Theory, research and didactic learning experiences are incorporated and supervised by a health care provider with expertise in the area of specialization. Prereq: NURS 631, 633.
634 Family Primary Care II: Assessment and Management 3
Clinical decision making skills are fostered in the diagnosis, management, monitoring and evaluation of common acute, emergent, and chronic health conditions. Selected case studies of clients will be examined in relation to problems, diagnoses, plans, and evaluations. Prereq: NURS 633.

634P Practicum III: Family Primary Care II 4
Clinical opportunities for application of clinical experiences in advanced health assessment. Theory, research and didactic learning experiences are incorporated in the student practice and supervised by a health care provider with expertise in the area of specialization. Prereq: NURS 632, 634.

640 Adult Nursing I 3
Evaluation and synthesis of advanced pathophysiology concepts applied to nursing and health related theories, and research related to client outcomes. Health and illness phenomena, symptom management, and nursing interventions will be reviewed. Prereq: NURS 612, 616.

640P Advanced Nursing Practicum I 3-6
Clinical opportunities for application of clinical experiences in a primary care setting. Theory, research and didactic learning experiences are incorporated in the students practice and supervised by a health care provider with expertise in the area of specialization. Prereq: NURS 640.

641 Adult Nursing II 3
Continuation of Adult Nursing I. Emphasis on clinical decision-making, teaching/learning theory and formulation of researchable questions for advanced nursing practice as an adult CNS. Prereq: NURS 640.

641P Advanced Nursing Practicum II 3-6
An extended practicum time allowing the student a chance to more fully integrate skills and knowledge learned through the graduate program. Emphasis will continue on consultation, program planning, education, health promotion, and prevention of disease/illness. Prereq: NURS 641.

710 Health Promotion and Disease Prevention 2
Critically examines patterns of health behaviors, risk assessment, lifestyles, developmental stages, sociocultural, psychological, and spiritual contributions to well-being. Includes data-based assessment and management of preventive health services and common acute and chronic conditions. Prereq: Graduate standing.

712P Assessment Practicum 6
In this course the student integrates health history, physical examination and laboratory evaluations in a plan for management of client needs. Prereq: NURS 612.

720 Advanced Practice Roles 2

730 Clinical Applications 3
Student designs individualized study in an area of focus. Options include extension of a scholarly study, extended clinical practice, intensive study of specialized treatment modality and other appropriate foci. Prereq: NURS 634.

733P FPC: Residency I 8
Student synthesizes skills acquired in previous didactic and clinical courses to provide diagnosis, treatment, and management of an increasingly varied group of clients. Prereq: NURS 633.

734P FPC: Residency II 8
Student synthesizes skills acquired in previous didactic and clinical courses, in particular NURS 733P, to provide diagnosis, treatment, and management of an increasingly varied group of clients. Prereq: NURS 634, 733P.

735P Role Integration 8
Focus is on the role of the advanced practice nurse in the primary care setting. Prereq: NURS 733P.