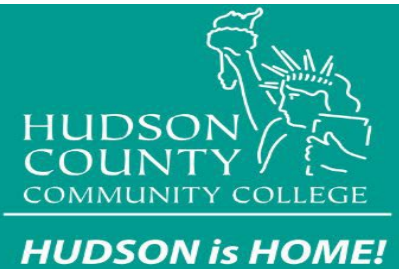




School of Nursing and Health Professions Syllabus



Term:

Credits: 6

Instructor:

Course Code: PNU 101

Office Hours:

Title of Course: PN: Fundamentals of Practice

Office Location:

Days & Times:

Email:

Location:

Phone:

Prerequisites: ENG 101 and MAT 102

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course introduces the student to the art and science of nursing, its history, current trends, and issues. The role of the licensed practical nurse in the health care system promoting wellness and disease prevention is integrated throughout the course. The basic concepts and fundamental skills required by a licensed practical nurse in current practice will be presented using Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs to determine nursing care priorities. The use of critical thinking and the nursing process will be introduced to identify patient problems and meet patients' needs. Subsequent nursing courses will build on the basic concepts and skills introduced in this course. Students will participate in the nursing laboratory and selected clinical experiences (Hospitals and Nursing homes) caring for adult and geriatric patients for the application of basic concepts and fundamental skills.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon completion of this course, the learner will:

1. Describe Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs as they relate to the individual.
2. Describe components of the nursing process.
3. Demonstrate effective verbal, nonverbal, and written communication.
4. Explain ethical principles, professionalism, and legal standards of the nursing profession.
5. Demonstrate the principles and applications of nursing skills.
6. Discuss the relationship of culture and spiritual beliefs to health and illness.
7. Describe the critical thinking process.
8. Identify the use of healthcare technology in client care.

9. Recognize the importance of lifelong learning.

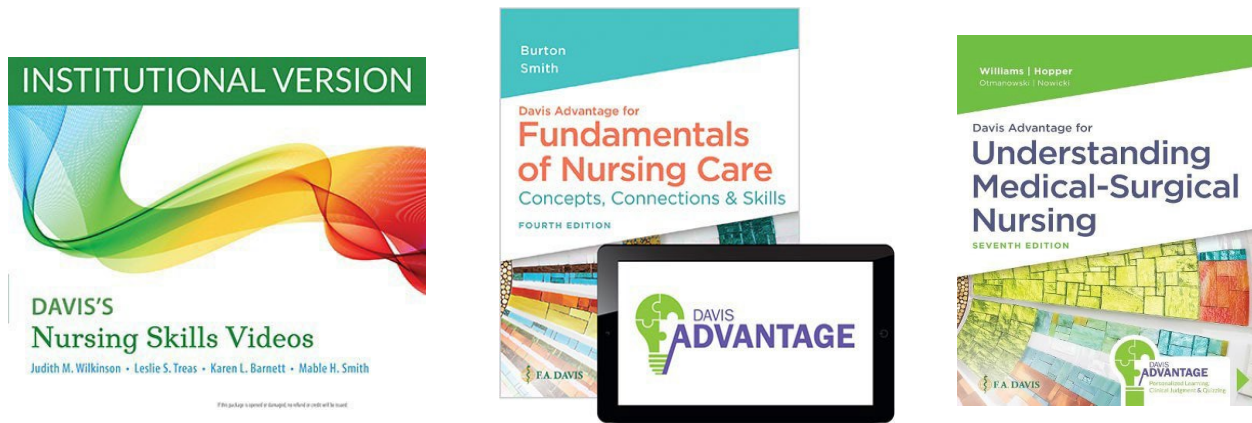
CLINICAL/LAB LEARNING OUTCOMES

The student will be able to:

1. Formulate a plan of care using the nursing process and identify patient problems.
2. Prioritize patient care using Maslow's Hierarchy of needs.
3. Distinguish between professional and non-professional behaviors and communicate effectively through verbal, nonverbal, and written communication.
4. Explain and demonstrate accurately and efficiently the importance of measurements in the quality of care.
5. Utilize current technology to provide quality patient care.
6. Use critical thinking and clinical judgment in clinical decisions to provide quality, safe nursing care.
7. Integrate ethical and legal principles in the health care setting.

TEXTBOOK REQUIRED:

- Burton, M.A. & Smith, D.W. (2023) Davis Advantage for fundamentals of nursing care concepts, connection & skills. 4th ed. FA Davis Company Philadelphia ISBN 978-1-719647786
- Williams, L.S., & Hopper, P.D. (2023).* Davis Advantage for Understanding Medical-Surgical Nursing* (7th ed.). FA Davis. ISBN: 978-1-719644-60-0
- Wilkinson: Davis's Nursing Skills Video



EVALUATION METHODS:

- Exams (4 exams/12% each) 48%
- Quizzes (4 Quizzes/1.25%) 5%

- Comprehensive Final Exam 25%
- Cultural Competency Certificate 5%
- Ethical/Legal Case Study 5%
- Discussion posts (4/3% each) 12%

Clinical Grading: Students must be proficient in drug calculations. Students have two opportunities to pass the drug calculation aspect of their clinical experience with a 90% or better grade. **Failure of the drug calculation test will result in student withdrawal from the course.**

WEEKLY OUTLINE:

| Week | Topic |
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| 1 | The history of nursing health care delivery, settings, and economics |
| 2 | The Nursing Process: Critical Thinking |
| 3 | Safety. medical asepsis and, infection control |
| 4 | Ethnic, cultural and, spiritual aspects of care. |
| 5 | Endocrine |
| 6 | Pharmacology and medications. |
| 7 | Growth and development throughout the lifespan. |
| 8 | Pain Management Rest and Restorative Sleep |
| 9 | Nutrition |
| 10 | Wound Care |
| 11 | Fluid, Electrolyte and Acid base Balance |
| 12 | Respiratory Care |
| 13 | Care of the surgical Patient Surgical Asepsis |
| 14 | Urinary Elimination and care Bowel Elimination and Care Musculoskeletal Care |
| 15 | Comprehensive Final Exam |

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