

# NURSING (NUR)

## **NUR 300. Core Concepts in Nursing. 3 Credits.**

This course introduces students to core concepts in nursing, and focuses on assessment and nursing interventions to support and protect health.

The delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care is emphasized. Knowledge, attitude and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all preprofessional courses, NUR 304.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 302 NUR 306 NUR 330L NUR 307.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall

## **NUR 302. Nursing Science and Information Literacy. 3 Credits.**

This course examines historical and contemporary nursing science.

Students are introduced to patterns of knowing, clinical reasoning and select disciplinary and interdisciplinary concepts and theories useful in nursing practice. This course also focuses on information literacy and information management in the delivery of quality patient care. Knowledge, attitude and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all preprofessional courses, NUR 304.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 306 NUR 330L NUR 307.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall

## **NUR 304. Health Promotion and Wellness. 3 Credits.**

This course focuses on health promotion, wellness, and disease and injury prevention across the lifespan. Individual prevention strategies and health interventions are explored.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall and Spring

## **NUR 306. Health Assessment. 3 Credits.**

This course focuses on health assessment of individuals across the lifespan. Students are introduced to a holistic approach to assessment taking into consideration bio-psycho-social-spiritual, environmental and cultural aspects. Knowledge, attitude, and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all preprofessional courses, NUR 304.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 330L NUR 307.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall

## **NUR 307. Core Nursing Practicum. 2 Credits.**

This clinical practicum is taken concurrently with NUR 300, 302, 306 and 330L. Students participate in 84 hours of supervised clinical practice in a variety of health care settings.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all preprofessional courses, NUR 304.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 306 NUR 330L.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall

## **NUR 318. Care of Women, Newborns and Families. 2 Credits.**

This course examines topics related to nursing management for women, newborns and families, and emphasizes health promotion, wellness and the illness states of childbearing families. The delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care is emphasized. Knowledge, attitude and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 304 NUR 306 NUR 307 NUR 330L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 320 NUR 323 NUR 324 NUR 325 NUR 326 NUR 340L.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring

## **NUR 320. Care of Children and Families. 2 Credits.**

This course examines topics related to nursing management of infants, children and families, and emphasizes health promotion, wellness and the illness states of these populations. The delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care is emphasized. Knowledge, attitude and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 304 NUR 306 NUR 307 NUR 330L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 318 NUR 323 NUR 324 NUR 325 NUR 326 NUR 340L.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring

## **NUR 323. Women, Children and Families Practicum. 2 Credits.**

This clinical practicum is taken concurrently with NUR 318 and NUR 320. Students participate in 84 hours of supervised clinical practice in a variety of health care settings.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 304 NUR 306 NUR 307 NUR 330L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 318 NUR 320 NUR 324 NUR 325 NUR 326 NUR 340L;

**Offered:** Every year, Spring and Summer

## **NUR 324. Care of Adults with Complex Health Needs I. 3 Credits.**

This course examines concepts of nursing management for adults with complex health care needs. The delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care is emphasized. Knowledge, attitude and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 304 NUR 306 NUR 307 NUR 330L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 318 NUR 320 NUR 323 NUR 325 NUR 326 NUR 340L.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring

## **NUR 325. Adult Care Practicum I. 2 Credits.**

This clinical practicum is taken concurrently with NUR 324. Students participate in 84 hours of supervised clinical practice in a variety of health care settings.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 304 NUR 306 NUR 307 NUR 330L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 318 NUR 320 NUR 323 NUR 324 NUR 326 NUR 340L.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring

**NUR 326. Pathophysiology and Pharmacotherapy I. 3 Credits.**

This course integrates pathophysiology and pharmacotherapy relevant to concurrent junior spring semester nursing courses. Students are introduced to medications used for health maintenance and the treatment of illness. Legal, ethical and regulatory issues also are examined.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 304 NUR 306 NUR 307 NUR 330L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 318 NUR 320 NUR 323 NUR 324 NUR 325 NUR 340L.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring

**NUR 330L. Holistic Nursing Integration Lab I. 2 Credits.**

This integrated campus laboratory experience provides the opportunity to develop nursing knowledge and attitudes, and to practice skills relevant to concurrent junior fall semester nursing courses. Students participate in learning modalities such as guided practice, clinical simulation and problem-based learning activities to develop clinical reasoning. (5 hrs./week, 70 hrs./semester)

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all preprofessional courses, NUR 304.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 306 NUR 307.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall

**NUR 340L. Holistic Nursing Integration Lab II. 2 Credits.**

This integrated campus laboratory experience provides the opportunity to develop nursing knowledge and attitudes, and to practice skills relevant to concurrent junior spring semester nursing courses. Students participate in learning modalities such as guided practice, clinical simulation, and problem-based learning activities to develop clinical reasoning. (5 hrs./week, 70 hrs./semester)

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 300 NUR 302 NUR 304 NUR 306 NUR 307 NUR 330L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 318 NUR 320 NUR 323 NUR 324 NUR 325 NUR 326.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring

**NUR 360. History of Health Care and Modern Nursing. 3 Credits.**

This elective course explores the history of health care and modern nursing from ancient times to current practices in the U.S. Students critically examine the social, political and economic forces that have influenced the development of health care and modern nursing.

**Offered:** As needed

**NUR 366. Communication Skills in Clinical Practice. 3 Credits.**

This elective course focuses on communication skills to interact more effectively with clients across the lifespan. Emphasis is placed on understanding and practicing various therapeutic methods of communication. Topics include family dynamics, life stages of development and establishing healthy provider-client relationships and boundaries. Open to health science, non-nursing majors.

**Offered:** As needed

**NUR 367. Summer Clinical Internship. 1 Credit.**

This elective course is designed for nursing students who have completed junior year nursing courses. Students must apply for this competitive 10-week summer internship during the mid-spring semester of their junior year. Accepted interns receive a modest salary and a 2-credit tuition scholarship.

**Offered:** As needed

**NUR 380. Health Promotion and Wellness. 3 Credits.**

This course focuses on health promotion, wellness and disease and injury prevention across the lifespan. Individual prevention strategies and health interventions are explored. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall Online

**NUR 382. Nursing Science and Information Literacy. 3 Credits.**

This online-only course examines historical and contemporary nursing science. Students are introduced to patterns of knowing, clinical reasoning and select disciplinary and interdisciplinary concepts and theories useful in nursing practice. This course also focuses on information literacy and information management in the delivery of quality patient care. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring Online

**NUR 390. Special Topics in Nursing. 3 Credits.**

Because this is a unique course offered on a term basis, course descriptions are not available until scheduled.

**NUR 400. Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing. 3 Credits.**

This course examines concepts of nursing management for individuals with psychiatric-mental health needs across the lifespan. The delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care is emphasized. Knowledge, attitude and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all 300 level nursing courses.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall and Summer

**NUR 401. Psychiatric-Mental Health Practicum. 2 Credits.**

This clinical practicum is taken concurrently with NUR 400. Students participate in 84 hours of supervised clinical practice in a variety of health care settings.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all 300 level nursing courses.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall and Summer

**NUR 408. Research and Evidence-Based Nursing Practice. 2 Credits.**

This course focuses on research related knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary for evidence based decision making in clinical practice. Students learn the basic elements of research, and further develop scientific literacy, and enhance information fluency.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all 300 level nursing courses.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall and Spring

**NUR 424. Care of Adults with Complex Health Needs II. 3 Credits.**

This course examines concepts of nursing management for adults with complex, high-acuity health care needs requiring sophisticated patient care technologies. The delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care is emphasized. Knowledge, attitude and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all 300 level nursing courses.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall and Summer

- NUR 425. Adult Care Practicum II. 2 Credits.**  
This clinical practicum is taken concurrently with NUR 424. Students participate in 84 hours of supervised clinical practice in a variety of health care settings.  
**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all 300 level nursing courses.  
**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 426 NUR 430L.  
**Offered:** Every year, Fall and Summer
- NUR 426. Pathophysiology and Pharmacotherapy II. 2 Credits.**  
This course integrates pathophysiology and pharmacotherapy relevant to concurrent senior fall semester nursing courses. Students are introduced to medications used for health maintenance and the treatment of illness. Legal, ethical and regulatory issues also are examined.  
**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all 300 level nursing courses.  
**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 430L.  
**Offered:** Every year, Fall and Summer
- NUR 428. Community and Public Health Nursing. 3 Credits.**  
This course focuses on concepts of community and public health nursing. Emphasis is on primary, secondary and tertiary prevention and nursing management for individuals, groups and populations with health problems in community settings. The delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care is emphasized. Knowledge, attitude and skill acquisition opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in clinical practicum.  
**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.  
**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 429 NUR 432 NUR 433 NUR 450L NUR 454.  
**Offered:** Every year, Spring
- NUR 429. Community and Public Health Nursing Practicum. 2 Credits.**  
This clinical practicum is taken concurrently with NUR 428. Students participate in 84 hours of supervised clinical practice in a variety of health care settings.  
**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.  
**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 428 NUR 432 NUR 433 NUR 450L NUR 454.  
**Offered:** Every year, Spring
- NUR 430L. Holistic Nursing Integration Lab III. 2 Credits.**  
This integrated campus laboratory experience provides the opportunity to develop nursing knowledge and attitudes, as well as to practice skills relevant to concurrent senior fall or summer semester nursing courses. Students participate in learning modalities such as guided practice, clinical simulation and problem-based learning to develop clinical reasoning. (5 hrs./week, 70 hrs./semester)  
**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: all 300 level nursing courses.  
**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426.  
**Offered:** Every year, Fall and Summer
- NUR 432. Contemporary Issues and Roles in Nursing. 3 Credits.**  
This course analyzes trends and issues in contemporary health care and their effect on the consumer, the nursing profession and society. It incorporates social intelligence, diversity awareness, creativity and sensitivity required for leadership roles and management functions in dynamic health care environments. Knowledge, attitude and skill opportunities are provided in campus lab and applied in a variety of health care settings.  
**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.  
**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 428 NUR 429 NUR 433 NUR 450L NUR 454.  
**Offered:** Every year, January and Spring
- NUR 433. Capstone Practicum. 2 Credits.**  
This capstone practicum facilitates the transition from nursing student to professional nurse. Synthesis of knowledge from all course work is integrated into the delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care. Students participate in 84 hours of supervised clinical practice in a variety of health care settings.  
**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.  
**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 428 NUR 429 NUR 432 NUR 450L NUR 454.  
**Offered:** Every year, Spring and Summer
- NUR 434L. Capstone Seminar Lab. 1 Credit.**  
This capstone seminar provides the opportunity for students working in small faculty-mentored groups to complete a capstone project that demonstrates synthesis of program learning outcomes, and American Association of Colleges of Nursing Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice. Students participate in 35 hours of a seminar lab in which they create and disseminate evidence-based capstone projects. For accelerated nursing students only.  
**Offered:** Every year, Summer
- NUR 440L. Holistic Nursing Integration Lab IV. 2 Credits.**  
This integrated campus laboratory experience provides the opportunity to develop nursing knowledge and attitudes, and to practice skills relevant to concurrent senior summer semester nursing courses. Students participate in learning modalities such as guided practice, clinical simulation and problem-based learning activities to develop clinical reasoning. Students also prepare for the nursing licensure examination (NCLEX-RN ©) with emphasis on content review, transition into professional nursing practice and computer-simulated test taking using web-based technology. For accelerated nursing students only. (5 hrs./week, 70 hrs./semester)  
**Offered:** Every year, Summer

**NUR 450L. Holistic Nursing Integration and Transition Into Practice Lab. 3 Credits.**

This integrated campus laboratory experience provides the opportunity to develop nursing knowledge and attitudes, and to practice skills relevant to concurrent senior spring semester nursing courses. Students participate in learning modalities such as guided practice, clinical simulation and problem-based learning activities to develop clinical reasoning. Students also prepare for the nursing licensure examination (NCLEX-RN ©) with emphasis on content review, transition into professional nursing practice, and computer-simulated test taking using web-based technology. For traditional BSN students only. (7.5 hrs./week, 105 hrs./semester)

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 428 NUR 429 NUR 432 NUR 433 NUR 454.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring

**NUR 454. Nursing Capstone. 3 Credits.**

This nursing capstone course is designed to provide a framework within which the student intentionally reflects upon and integrates the experiences that represent the meaning of their collegiate learning. Each student will design a final signature work which demonstrates a scholarly representation of those experiences. For traditional BSN students only.

**Prerequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 400 NUR 401 NUR 408 NUR 424 NUR 425 NUR 426 NUR 430L.

**Corequisites:** Traditional BSN Program: Take NUR 428 NUR 429 NUR 432 NUR 433 NUR 450L.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring

**NUR 461. Community Health Internship. 3 Credits.**

This elective course provides nursing students a preceptored experience in a public or private community health agency. Participation requires a high level of self-direction, and independent decision making. Students are responsible for seeking out a community placement in collaboration with nursing faculty. The experience is designed to meet the interests and preparation of the student and the needs of the agency. Students devote a minimum of 45 hours fieldwork and attend campus seminars.  
**Offered:** As needed

**NUR 475. Research and Evidenced-based Practice Fieldwork Experience. 1 Credit.**

This course facilitates the student's ability to synthesize knowledge learned in concurrent semester course work. Students demonstrate competency by developing, implementing and evaluating an outcomes-based project in a clinical setting. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Prerequisites:** Take NUR 478.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring Online

**NUR 477. Community and Public Health Nursing Fieldwork Experience. 1 Credit.**

This course facilitates the student's ability to synthesize the knowledge learned in concurrent semester course work. Students demonstrate competency by developing, implementing and evaluating an outcomes-based project in a clinical setting. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Prerequisites:** Take NUR 484.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall Online

**NUR 478. Research and Evidence-Based Nursing Practice. 2 Credits.**

This course focuses on research-related knowledge, attitudes and skills necessary for evidence-based decision making in clinical practice. Students learn the basic elements of research, further develop scientific literacy and enhance information fluency. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring Online

**NUR 479. Contemporary Issues and Roles in Nursing Fieldwork Experience. 1 Credit.**

This course facilitates the student's ability to synthesize the knowledge learned in concurrent semester course work. Students demonstrate competency by developing, implementing and evaluating an outcomes-based project in a clinical setting. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Prerequisites:** Take NUR 486.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring Online

**NUR 480. Interprofessional Practice and Quality Improvement. 3 Credits.**

This course describes and applies quality improvement methods to address problems identified in practice and actions needed to effect a positive change for care. The process and significance of interprofessional practice and collaboration in the delivery of patient care and in engagement with performance improvement are described. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Offered:** Every year, Summer Online

**NUR 482. Health Disparities in Vulnerable Populations. 2 Credits.**

Students analyze the impact of social determinants of health and health disparities on selected vulnerable populations. Health policy and advocacy for vulnerable populations also are examined. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Offered:** Every year, Summer Online

**NUR 484. Community and Public Health Nursing. 3 Credits.**

This course focuses on concepts of community and public health nursing. Emphasis is on secondary and tertiary prevention and nursing management for individuals, groups and communities with health problems in community settings. The delivery of safe, evidence-based, holistic, patient-centered care is emphasized. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Offered:** Every year, Fall Online

**NUR 486. Contemporary Issues and Roles in Nursing Practice. 3 Credits.**

This course analyzes trends and issues in contemporary health care and their effect on the consumer, the nursing profession and society. It incorporates social intelligence, diversity awareness, creativity and sensitivity required for leadership roles and management functions in dynamic health care environments. Open to RN-BSN students only.

**Offered:** Every year, Spring Online

**NUR 490. Special Topics in Nursing. 3 Credits.**