

Pharmacology I Syllabus

Course Number: NURS 1000

Semester: Fall 2012

Credit Hours: 1.0

Classroom: S-118

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Course Description:

This course provides the principles of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics.

Prerequisite: Admission to the Nursing Program

NSCC Nursing Program Outcomes

1. Plan and revise nursing care using the nursing process and critical thinking skills.
2. Implement and coordinate nursing care with safety and competent skills.
3. Demonstrate compliance with the Standards of Professional Performance.
4. Function as a contributing member/leader of the health care team.
5. Utilize therapeutic communication with others using appropriate verbal and nonverbal methods.
6. Successfully pass the NCLEX-RN

Semester Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completing this semester, the student will be able to:

1. Identify the components of the nursing process in the delivery of safe and responsible health care.
2. Demonstrate competency in basic nursing skills and understand concepts and rationales for skills performed.
3. Demonstrate professional and caring behaviors according to the ANA standards of nursing practice.
4. Understand the role of the nurse in collaborating with an interdisciplinary team.

5. Engage in basic therapeutic communication techniques using appropriate verbal and nonverbal skills.
6. Familiarize students with the test-taking skills required for completion of the NCLEX-RN

Course Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completing this course, the student will be able to:

1. Identify the components of the nursing process and describe their application to the delivery of medications.
2. Utilize critical thinking skills and the nursing process to assess, plan, implement, and evaluate all aspects of medication administration.
3. Identify major classifications of pharmacotherapy used in the treatment of commonly occurring health challenges.
4. Verbalize and apply the six rights of medication administration.
5. Accurately calculate and prepare medication dosages.
6. Demonstrate accurate understanding and interpretation of orders for medication.
7. Explain correct measures to ensure prevention of medication errors .
8. Display an understanding and application of legal issues associated with medication administration.
9. Demonstrate responsibility and accountability in all phases of the nursing process as it relates to medication administration.
10. Describe legal and ethical principles related to research and practice of medication administration in nursing.
11. Utilize appropriate medical terminology and professional communications skills when discussing aspects of medication administration with members of the health care team.
12. Demonstrate an understanding of the nurse's role in the healthcare team as it relates to the safe and effective delivery of prescribed medications.
13. Demonstrate an understanding of therapeutic communication in the nurse: patient relationship.
14. Communicate with patients in a positive and supportive manner utilizing therapeutic communications tools to further the nurse: patient relationship.
15. Develop familiarity with the structure of NCLEX exam questions formats.

Evaluation of the course content will be based on:

Knowledge:	30%
Comprehension:	30%
Application:	20%
Analysis:	20%

Methods of Evaluation

Homework (including Kaplan modules)	20%
Quizzes	20%
Tests	40%
Final Examination	20%

