

CUMBERLAND COUNTY COLLEGE

Course: PN 103 Advanced Concepts in Medical Surgical Practical Nursing

Credits: 2 credits

Prerequisites

EN 101, BIO 106, PY 101, HS 115, PN 102

Description

Advanced Concepts in Practical Nursing is a capstone course that will allow the student to integrate theory and clinical experiences in the care of the acute care medical surgical patient. Concurrent skill lab and clinical experiences facilitate the application of theory to the principles of client assessment and management of care for the acute medical surgical patient. Using the concepts of professionalism, holism, nursing process, optimal functioning and community based practice students will provide basic care to selected acute care medical surgical clients who require nursing support.

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate clinical competence in meeting the health needs of a chronically ill client.
- Apply the nursing process as a critical thinking model for making clinical decisions for a chronically ill client.
- Demonstrate the role of the practical nurse in collaboration with the Registered Nurse in the care of the chronically ill client.
- Demonstrate therapeutic communication techniques when caring for a chronically ill client.
- Demonstrate evidence based practice in the plan of care of a chronically ill client.
- Integrate information technology in the management of care of a chronically ill client.

Topical Outline

The focus of this course is to build on the concepts of medical surgical practical nursing and learn advanced concepts of medical surgical nursing that will help practical nurses to care for adults who are at risk for more complex alterations in health.

Required Texts and Other Materials

Williams, L. S. & Hopper, P. D. (2015). Understanding Medical Surgical Nursing. (5th ed.). Philadelphia: F.A. Davis.

Karch, A. (2012). Focus on Nursing Pharmacology. (6th ed.). Philadelphia: Lippincott.

Student Assessment

- Examinations
- Quizzes
- Clinical Performance
- Nursing Care Plans
- Threaded Discussions

- Online Competency Evaluation
- Projects
- Online Assignments

Academic Integrity

Plagiarism is cheating. Plagiarism is presenting in written work, in public speaking, and in oral reports the ideas or exact words of someone else without proper documentation. Whether the act of plagiarism is deliberate or accidental [ignorance of the proper rules for handling material is no excuse], plagiarism is, indeed, a “criminal” offense. As such, a plagiarized paper or report automatically receives a grade of **ZERO** and the student may receive a grade of **F** for the semester at the discretion of the instructor.

Available Resources

If you are having difficulty with work in this class, tutoring is available through the Success Center. If you think that you might have a learning disability, contact Project Assist at 856.691.8600, x1282 for information on assistance that can be provided to eligible students.

(List availability of open labs and/or writing center)

Before Withdrawing From This Course

If a student experiences adverse circumstances while enrolled in this course and considers withdrawing, s/he should see an advisor (division or advisement center) BEFORE withdrawing from the class. A withdrawal may cause harmful repercussions to completion rate standards and overall GPA which can limit or eliminate future financial aid in addition to causing academic suspension.