

COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE: NURS 9406 Nursing Care Of Adults III

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is a continuation of Nursing Care of Adults I and II, and focuses on the nursing care of clients with cardiac and neurologic disorders, cancer and the critically ill. There is also a focus on development of basic management skills to provide nursing care for groups of clients. Finally the student will explore the transition from student to practicing nurse. The emphasis is on the role of the A. D. N. nurse, as manager of client care and member within the profession of nursing.

PREREQUISITES:

MATH 1204 College Algebra or
MATH 1103 Survey of College Math
BIOL 2214 Anatomy and Physiology I
BIOL 2224 Anatomy and Physiology II
MBIO 2014 General Microbiology
ENGL 1013 English Composition I
ENGL 1023 English Composition II
PSYC 2003 General Psychology
PSYC 2103 Human Growth and Development
XXXX 0000 College Level Transferable Elective

NURS 9108 Fundamentals of Nursing
NURS 9203 Nursing Care of Older Adults
NURS 9206 Nursing Care of Adults I
NURS 9305 Nursing Care of Adults II
NURS 9306 Nursing Care of Childbearing/Childrearing Families

COREQUISITES:

CISQ 1103 Introduction to Computer Information **or**
OFSM 1013 Keyboarding

NURS 9404 Nursing Care of Persons with Psychosocial Stressors

CREDIT HOURS:

6 credit hours

CLASSROOM HOURS:

3 hours per week

CLINICAL HOURS:

135 hours per semester

TARGET AUDIENCE AND TRANSFER:

Students apply for and are selected for admission into the Nursing Program. While licensure as a Registered Nurse is an end-goal for some individuals, all AAS Nursing graduates are eligible to seek advanced placement towards a BSN degree at most colleges and universities.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Following completion of this course the student:

As a direct care provider will:

1. Describe pathophysiology, etiology and clinical manifestations of selected health related problems, which interfere with man's ability to meet his biopsychosocial needs or accomplish development tasks.
2. Describe the medical treatment modalities for selected health related problems.
3. Describe appropriate promotion maintenance and restorative nursing behaviors for selected health related problems.
4. Relate the findings of diagnostic procedures to the pathophysiological processes underlying selected health-related problems.
5. Identify biopsychosocial stressors that are present in adult clients with selected health-related problems in acute care settings.
6. Integrate relevant principles and concepts from supporting general education and nursing courses as they apply to selected health-related problems in the adult client.
7. Identify legal and ethical issues related to adult clients with cardiac and neurological disorders, cancer, adult clients who are critically ill or in emergency situations.
8. Utilize the nursing process in caring for adult clients with selected health-related problems.

As a manager of client care will:

9. Collaborate with other members of the health care team while planning care and implementing care for adult clients.
10. Demonstrate critical thinking, decision making skills, and prioritizing while directing other members of the health care team to provide care to groups of clients.
11. Delegate to appropriate nursing team members selected technical aspects of nursing care for adult clients in groups.

As member within the profession of nursing will:

12. Practice within the legal and ethical framework of nursing.
13. Seek continuing education and/or higher levels of educational opportunities to fulfill self-identified professional needs.

TEXTBOOKS:

1. Monahan, F. & Neighbors, M. (1998). Medical-Surgical Nursing Foundations for Clinical Practice, 2nd Edition, Saunders
2. Atwood, S., Stanton, C. & Storey, J. Introduction to Basic Cardiac Dysrhythmias, Mosby Lifeline
3. Pagana, K. & Pagana, T. (1997). Diagnostic and Laboratory Test Reference, 3rd Edition, Mosby
4. Zerwekh, J. & Claborn, J. (1997). Nursing Today: Transitions and Trends, 2nd Edition, Saunders
5. Abrams, A. (1998). Clinical Drug Therapy: Rationale for Nursing Practice, 5th Edition, Lippincott

COURSE CONTENT UNITS:

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| UNIT I | A | Nursing Care of the Client in Emergency Conditions |
| | B | Nursing Care of the Critically Ill Client |
| | C | Nursing Management and Leadership Skills |
| | D | Role Transition |
| UNIT II | A | Nursing Care of Clients with Cardiac Disorders |
| UNIT III | A | Nursing Care of Clients with Immune System Compromises |
| | B | Nursing Care of Clients with Cancer |
| UNIT IV | A | Nursing Care of Clients with Neurological Disorders |

TEACHING METHODS:

This course will include the following methods/approaches to teaching:

1. Lecture
2. Class Discussion
3. Audio-Visuals
4. Experiences in Clinical Areas
5. Post-Conferences in Clinical Areas
6. Independent and Observational Experiences
7. Field Trip