Nursing Practice 3: Promoting Health and Healing – NURS 215
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program

Nursing Practice Course Outline

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2008
OUTLINE EFFECTIVE DATE: September 2018
COURSE OUTLINE REVIEW DATE: March 2023

GENERAL COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This nursing practice experience provides opportunities for learners to develop caring relationships with individuals and families for the purpose of health promotion while coming to understand their health and healing processes when experiencing more complex health challenges, both episodic and chronic. Learners will have opportunities to practice nursing approaches that accompany this understanding. Learners work with families and individuals in the home and community, in agencies, and in care facilities to incorporate concepts and learning from all the courses in this semester into their nursing practice. The community and society are considered as contextual influences on the promotion of health for the individual and the family.

Program Information: This course is required for the second year of the BSN Program. The materials in this course represent a component of a four year BSN program.

Delivery: This course is delivered in College and practice settings.

COTR Credits: 8

Hours for this course: 211 hours

Typical Structure of Instructional Hours:

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Practicum Hours (if applicable):

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*Other Contact Hours: Formative and summative evaluation interviews
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Valid from: September 2018 – March 2023

COURSE PREREQUISITES AND TRANSFER CREDIT:

Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of the first year of the BSN program.

Corequisites: NURS 210, 213 and BIOL 218

Flexible Assessment (FA):
Credit can be awarded for this course through FA □ Yes ☑ No

Transfer Credit: For transfer information within British Columbia, Alberta and other institutions, please visit http://www.cotr.bc.ca/Transfer.

Students should also contact an academic advisor at the institution where they want transfer credit.

Prior Course Number: N/A
Textbooks and Required Resources:

Textbook selection varies by instructor and may change from year to year. At the Course Outline Effective Date, the following textbooks were in use:

There are no specific texts for NURS 215. As this course provides learners with the opportunity to integrate their learning from other semester three courses, the texts needed for NURS 210, NURS 213 and BIOL 218 will be used as required in NURS 215.

Equipment required for nursing practice; e.g. stethoscope, pen light and nursing uniform.

Please see the instructor’s syllabus or check COTR’s online text calculator http://www.cotr.bc.ca/bookstore/cotr_web.asp?IDNumber=164 for a complete list of the currently required textbooks.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon the successful completion of this course, learners should be able to

- demonstrate safe nursing practice through active participation and construction of knowledge, skills, professionalism, and ethics;
- involve patient and/or family when designing and implementing care;
- demonstrate awareness of scope of practice in a nursing practice setting;
- demonstrate effective communication and collaboration with the interprofessional health care team when making decisions to ensure patient-centred care;
- utilizes assessment data from a variety of interprofessional team members when providing care for patients with chronic and episodic health challenges; and
- integrate knowledge and skills for effective communication and collaboration in interprofessional and intraprofessional practice.

COURSE PROCESS:

Learners develop professional nursing practice, critical thinking, and critical reflection. Practice experiences are supported by praxis seminars which provide opportunities to examine theories and concepts for discussion, exploration, and integration. Praxis involves the examination of the dynamic interplay between theory and practice. Through praxis, learners have opportunities to actively participate in the construction of their own knowledge. Praxis is actualized by critical reflection, journaling, and active participation in nursing practice seminars. Faculty also foster exploration of the role of the nurse in relation to the promotion of health and healing.

Learners engage in a variety of learning activities within the context of nursing practice. Some activities occur in the nursing laboratory where learners have opportunities to develop health assessment skills that enable them to provide safe nursing care.
COURSE CONCEPTS:

Concepts for consideration/integration into practice and praxis seminars reflect those covered in other courses and include, but are not limited to, the following:

CLIENT
- Constitutedness
- Family
- Hardiness
- Individual
- Pathophysiology
- Personal Meaning
- Resilience
- Situatedness
- Vulnerability

CONTEXT
- Community
- Environment
- Family
- Legalities
- Morals, Values and Beliefs
- Spirituality
- Transitions and Change

HEALTH AND HEALING
- Comfort
- Epidemiology
- Healing
- Healing Initiatives
- Illness
- Primary Health Care
- Suffering

INQUIRY
- Diagnostics
- Praxis
- Teaching and Learning
- Ways of Knowing

NURSE
- Accountability
- Decision Making
- Leadership
- Nursing Ethics
RELATIONAL PRACTICE

- Capacities
- Caring
- Collaboration
- Perception
- Power/Power Relations
- Relationship

*See instructor’s syllabus for the detailed outline of weekly readings, activities and assignments.*

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EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT (Face-to-Face Delivery):

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<td>Concept Assignment</td>
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<td>Decision-Making for Nursing Practice Assignments</td>
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<td>Practice Appraisal Form (Midterm)</td>
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<td>Practice Appraisal Form (Final)</td>
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*Please see the instructor syllabus for specific classroom policies related to this course, such as details of evaluation, penalties for late assignments, resubmission of assignments, and use of electronic aids.*

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ATTENDANCE AND ASSIGNMENT REQUIREMENTS:

See COTR Nursing Program Admission and Progression Policies

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT INFORMATION/POLICIES:

1. All learning experiences are mandatory. Students who are unable to attend a scheduled learning event must notify the instructor at the earliest possible opportunity.

2. Absence from learning experiences, for any reason, may preclude the student being able to meet the requirements for that course. Students who have missed 10% or more of their clinical practice experiences will be evaluated for their eligibility to remain in the program. *(Clinical courses only)*

3. All assignments must be submitted by the contract date. Assignments in clinical courses will be graded as either satisfactory or unsatisfactory based on assignment evaluative criteria. Extensions will be considered on an individual basis when legitimate circumstances support the student’s request, provided the extension is negotiated 48 hours in advance of the due date.

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EXAM POLICY:

There are no exams in this course.
COURSE GRADE:

Course grades are assigned as follows:

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<td>NCG</td>
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Clinical courses are graded COM/NCG. Clinical courses grades are not included in a student’s GPA. To achieve a COM, students must:
- Complete all evaluative components of this course
- Achieve a level of “satisfactory” on the practice appraisal form

ACADEMIC POLICIES:

See [www.cotr.bc.ca/policies](http://www.cotr.bc.ca/policies) for general college policies related to course activities, including grade appeals, cheating and plagiarism.

COURSE CHANGES:

Information contained in course outlines is correct at the time of publication. Content of the courses is revised on an ongoing basis to ensure relevance to changing educational, employment and marketing needs. The instructor endeavours to provide notice of changes to students as soon as possible. The instructor reserves the right to add or delete material from courses.