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NRSG 147.01: Practical Nursing NCLEX Review

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DEPARTMENT OF NURSING-Practical Nursing Program
Course Syllabus
Fall 2013

NUR 147 NCLEX Review Course

COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE: NUR 147 NCLEX Review Course
DATE REVISED: 8/13
SEMESTER CREDITS: 2
CLASS MEETING: Tuesday 11:10 AM- 1:00 PM
CONTACT HOURS PER SEMESTER: 32

Prerequisites:

Health core prerequisites, admission to the Practical Nursing Program and successful completion of first semester PN course work.

Faculty Information and Contact:

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Course Description:

This study/review course will prepare students with opportunity to be sit for the NCLEX-PN examination at the conclusion of their academic studies for Practical Nursing. This course assists students in being emotionally, didactically and technically prepared to take this examination. Students will review how to prepare to take this examination through a series of sample tests, quizzes and group discussions. A variety of core content subject matter will be covered to allow the student to be prepared to take the comprehensive examination. At the conclusion of this course, the student will take a comprehensive predictability exam to allow the student areas of strength and areas of growth.

Student Performance Outcomes:

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Identify and discuss the history and methodology of the NCLEX-PN examination.
2. Identify and discuss methods to prepare to take the NCLEX examination using productive techniques such as study habits, sleep patterns, and nutritional needs before the examination.
3. Complete several sample examinations in and out of the classroom setting.
4. Identify areas of academic strength and weakness to facilitate study patterns.
5. Discover a higher level of confidence in test taking skills.
6. Identify, discuss and apply tools and strategies for preparing for the NCLEX-PN.

7. Identify and discuss a more focused knowledge base of basic scientific, legal, cultural, humanistic principles along with nursing procedures that apply to all patients in any clinical setting.
8. Identify the nursing process with regard to a holistic response during review of clinical areas to be tested on including fundamentals, medical-surgical and other nursing care topics.
9. Complete a comprehensive NCLEX-PN examination with predictability results.

Student performance assessment methods and grading criteria:

1. To achieve a passing grade in this course, students must complete the following.
 - Sample NCLEX-PN examinations over a variety of clinical areas. Students are expected to take on their own time, multiple ATI pre/posttests/practice assessments electronically. Scores are not the focus, rather practice time using ATI testing materials outside of the classroom to offer further preparation for students. Topic areas and due dates are found on the course outline. ATI progress will be monitored on-line by the instructor. **I do not accept late work.**
 - Comprehensive NCLEX-PN Predictability examination by ATI in a proctored setting. Date for this proctored exam is TBA. This exam is required to receive a credit grade for this class.
 - Maintain an attendance rate of **no more than 2 class sessions missed**. Please call faculty for this course ahead of time to offer notification.
 - Professionalism Rubric will be part of the grading process. Missing class may affect your professionalism grade in this class.

Breakdown of Grade:

This is a credit/no credit course, if you have the required attendance, participate in class discussions, submit your ATI practice assignments on time, and take the comprehensive predictability test when scheduled you will receive a passing grade. Lack of completion of the any of the above stated requirements will result in a nonpassing grade.

Attendance Policy:

1. Regular attendance is expected at each class meeting. However, life can present unforeseen obstacles making attendance challenging. It is pertinent to consider circumstances mitigating absence. In the event of a student being unable to attend class, prior notification to the faculty is appreciated and requested. Communication is really the best policy. **Students can miss no more than 2 class sessions, when a student is at 3 absences, a no credit grade will be issued.**

Academic Conduct:

All Students must practice academic honesty. Academic misconduct, including plagiarism and classroom misconduct is subject to an academic penalty by the course instructor(s) and /or a disciplinary sanction by the University. All students need to be

familiar with the Student Conduct Code. The student code is available on Moodle and on the University website. Students are encouraged to view the student conduct code. If you are a student that is in need of disability services, please see me immediately after the first class meeting to discuss necessary documentation.

Students with Disabilities:

Students with disabilities may request reasonable modifications by contacting me. Please be prepared to submit the appropriate paperwork. The University of Montana assures equal access to instruction through collaboration between students with disabilities, instructors, and Disability Services for Students (DSS). "Reasonable" means the University permits no fundamental alterations of academic standards or retroactive modifications. For more information, please consult <http://www.umt.edu/disability>.

Assignments:

Students will take sample tests throughout this course with a comprehensive predictability NCLEX exam (required) at the end of this course.

Students are expected to take sample NCLEX type exams on their own time using ATI materials to further student awareness of strengths and areas of growth. On-line progress will be monitored by the instructor.

All assignments are due at the time and due date indicated. Due dates and times will be listed on the course outline and on Moodle. It is the student's responsibility to complete these on time. I do not send out reminders. Late work, including exams, will NOT be accepted. IT MUST BE HANDED IN DURING THE FIRST 10 MINUTES OF CLASS ON THE DAY IT IS DUE. Emergencies and extenuating occurrences will be handled on an individual student basis. Please speak to the instructor BEFORE the due date if you suspect you may not be able to complete the work on time. Faculty has the final decision on whether or not to accept late assignments and circumstances must be extenuating. Repeated requests for extensions on course work due dates will affect your professionalism grade and potentially your final grade for the class. An assignment that is more than 24 hours late, regardless of prior notification, will have a minimum 10% reduction to the final grade for that assignment.

Recording of Classes:

Lecture recording is not allowed without prior consent of the instructor. In blended classes or distance learning classes, recorded lectures are not allowed to be re-broadcast in any way and any material discussed, in face to face classes or in on-line discussion groups, is considered confidential. If a student breaks this policy, it will be considered academic misconduct.

Required Course Materials:

ATI Testing Materials (these are materials that you purchased the first semester of the program.) These materials are required for successful completion of this course. If you have not purchased these, they need to be purchased for class.

Please note that activities may need to change dependant on congruent course content and student/faculty needs.

Remember one thing, this course is meant to be fun, productive and help you to pass your NCLEX on the first attempt. At the MC UM we are very proud of our passing rates! Our current PN NCLEX pass rate is 100%!!!! So, please come to class, have fun, ask questions and let your faculty know what we can do to help. This class will also help in test taking for other nursing classes that you are currently enrolled in or anticipate enrolling in in the future.

Professionalism: Professional behavior is expected from each student toward faculty, fellow students as well as any other guest speakers in the class. It is incorporated in to the grade for this class.