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PHARMACY 471 -- INTEGRATED STUDIES III

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In Integrated Studies III students meet weekly for 2 hours in small discussion groups to explore issues and hone their communication skills. Some sessions will be case-based discussions, whereas in other sessions, the groups will be divided further and these sub-groups will make presentations to their peers. In general, there will be some preparation time (1-2 hours) required of the student prior to the session. Each student is expected to participate actively in each session. A short written assignment at the end of some sessions will be used to help evaluate the student's understanding of the knowledge and skills emphasized in the session.

Grading: Pass/Not Pass

ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION ARE MINIMAL REQUIREMENTS FOR A PASSING GRADE. IN ADDITION, PROVEN WRITTEN COMPETENCY IN FORMATTING A SOAP NOTE WILL BE REQUIRED.

Goals:

1. Facilitate the development of professional skills needed to practice pharmaceutical care.
 - Communication skills
 - a. Spoken
 - i) Small group discussion
 - ii) Argument/debate; formulating and defending opinions
 - iii) Counseling and patient education
 - b. Written
 - i) Drug information responses
 - ii) Formal and informal consultations
 - iii) Ethics scenarios
 - Thinking skills
 - a. Analytical skills
 - b. Critical thinking
 - c. Decision making
 - Problem solving skills
 - a. Problem recognition
 - b. Problem solving
 - c. Implementing resolutions
 - Organizational skills
 - a. Data organization
2. Integrate and apply knowledge and information from various disciplines.
3. Synthesize new information from existing knowledge to solve pharmaceutical care problems.
4. Illustrate the application of course work to pharmaceutical care situations.

5. Nurture a professional attitude and sense of responsibility to the patient.

Tentative Course schedule:

- Week of September 10 – SOAPing, Medical Records
- Week of September 17 – Infant nutrition/oral rehydration
- Week of September 24 – Nutrition Information on the Web
- Week of October 1 – Nutrition in pregnancy
- Week of October 8 – Antioxidants
- Week of October 15 – No class
- Week of October 22 – Weight loss diets
- Week of October 29 – Alternative medicine
- Week of November 5 – Anemia, oral health
- Week of November 12 – No class
- Week of November 19 – No class
- Week of November 26 – Sunburn, bites/stings, SOAP final evaluation
- Week of December 3 – Colds
- Week of December 10 – Contact lens care, glaucoma