

M: Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

This course is intended to foster the students' understanding of their clients' personal meaning of a variety of increasingly complex episodic health challenges. It provides students with further opportunities to:

- § explore nurses' work in relation to clients' experiences with health and healing
- § integrate theoretical knowledge within a caring context
- § learn to practice safely through their ability to perform more complex nursing practice skills, further developing critical thinking, decision-making, and organizational, interpersonal and psychomotor skills
- § become increasingly self-directed

N: Course Content:

This course consists of a seminar component and a laboratory component. In the seminar component, clients' experiences with complex episodic health challenges and the nurses' role in promoting health and healing are the focus of discussion.

An outline of concepts and essential content is presented below. Concepts are addressed in relation to four foundational concepts (ways of knowing, personal meaning, time/transitions, and culture/context) integrating the metaconcepts, health promotion and caring. Content related to the foundational concepts varies depending on the interests, choices and experiences of course participants. Course concepts are addressed through learning activities that are intended to actively engage students in integrating nursing practice skills.

Acute pain

Abuse

- § self
- § others
- § system

Anxiety/fear

Control

- § balance/imbalance
- § empowerment
- § ethical dilemmas
- § loss of control
- § technology

Courage

Healing

Resilience/Hardiness

Suffering

- § personal situation
- § socially created situations

Transition

- § altered cellular growth
- § trauma

Trust

Unpredictability

Vulnerability

- § fatigue
- § invasion
- § violation

In the laboratory portion of the course, a variety of nursing practice skills commonly used in caring for clients with episodic health challenges are addressed.

O: Methods of Instruction

Using an interactive format for simulations, paradigm cases, and other learning experiences participants gain an experiential knowledge of the course concepts in reference to episodic health challenges. Students integrate knowledge from clients' (individual and family) lived experiences, nursing theory, nurses' role, pathophysiology, and pharmacology in coming to understand these challenges. Through personal experience, participants have opportunities to develop nursing practice skills including critical thinking, clinical decision-making, organizational, interpersonal, and psychomotor skills.

P: Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students

1. Planned Praxis Experience

- § Personal experience
- § Resource family
- § Generative family
- § Family experiencing complex episodic health challenge
- § Nursing practice experience

2. A list of recommended textbooks and materials is provided for students at the beginning of each semester.

3. Other Resources

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