

COURSE TITLE: VNSG 1409 Nursing in Health and Illness II (Level II Medical Surgical Nursing)

PRE-REQUISITES: VNSG 1400

SEMESTER/YEAR: Summer 2016

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I. GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION (WECM): Continued study in the principles of growth and development, primary health care needs of the patient across the life span, disease processes and therapeutic nursing interventions.

B. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME (DECS):

1. Compare and contrast normal body functions with that of pathological variations.
2. Identify disease process by definition, assessment and diagnostics.
3. Assist in formulation of a plan of care utilizing the nursing process for medical-surgical conditions.
4. Provide patient/family education.
5. Demonstrate use of nursing process in regard to drug therapy
6. Discuss normal aging, system changes, common disease processes, lifestyle changes, common issues and needs during the aging process.
7. Discuss the principles of nutrition, the digestive process, food nutrients, diet therapy and diet modifications.
8. See textbook specific objectives for each chapter.

C. COURSE COMPETENCIES:

Grading scale:

A-----90-100

B-----80-89.9

C-----77-79.9

D-----70-76.9

F----- 69.9 and below

D. ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:

Please refer to SPC Catalog and Vocational Nursing Student Handbook

- E. SCANS (Secretaries Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills) and FOUNDATION SKILLS:
 C-1,C-2,C-3,C-4,C-5,C-6,C-7,C-9,C-10,C-11,C-12,C-13,C-14,C-15,C-16,C-17,C-18,C-19
 F-1,F-2,F-3,F-4,F-5,F-6,F-7,F-8,F-9,F-10,F-11,F-12,F-13,F-14,F-15,F-16,F-17
- F. VERIFICATION OF WORKPLACE COMPETENCIES:
 No external learning experiences provided. Successful completion of the DECS competency statements at the level specified by the course (Level Objectives) will allow the student to continue to advance within the program. Upon successful completion of the program, students will be eligible to take the State Board Exam (NCLEX) for Vocational Nurse licensure.

II. SPECIFIC COURSE/INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

A. MANDATORY TEXTBOOKS:

1. Williams, L, Hopper, P, Understanding Medical Surgical Nursing, 5th Ed., Davis, ISBN #978-0-8036-4068-9
2. Watkins, C, Pharmacology Clear & Simple, 2nd Ed., Davis, ISBN #978-0-8036-2588-4.
3. Williams, L, Hopper, P, Student Workbook for Understanding Medical Surgical Nursing, 5th Ed., Davis, ISBN # 978-0-8036-4069-6
4. Leeuwen A, Davis’s Comprehensive Handbook of Laboratory Diagnostic Tests with Nursing Implications, 6th Ed., Davis, ISBN # 978-0-8036-4405-2
5. Vallerand A, Davis’s Drug Guide for Nurses, 14th Ed., Davis, ISBN # 978-0-8036-3976-8

B. ATTENDANCE POLICY:

There are no excused absences in the Vocational Nursing Program. Roll is taken for each class. A student who is not present when roll is checked is “absent.” A student must sign in for each class; if a student fails to sign in, the student is marked “absent.” Students are not allowed to disrupt the class for tardiness. A tardy student may come into the classroom following a break. The student must sign in, but the student will still be counted absent. A student who leaves before the end of class is counted absent.

A student who misses more than 2 class days in this semester cannot meet the Course Objectives and must withdraw from the VNP with a “F.”

C. GRADING POLICY /METHODS OF EVALUATION: VNSG 1400

UNIT EXAMS-----	50%
FINAL EXAM-----	30%
QUIZ/CLASS ACTIVITIES-----	10%
GROUP PRESENTATION-----	10%

1. In the interest of consistency, all grades will be calculated as outlined in the student handbook (no rounding of grades)
2. Exam grades will be posted numerically on Blackboard.
3. Quiz grades and the group presentations will be posted on Blackboard. Missed quizzes or group presentations will result in a grade of “0.”
4. The FINAL EXAM grade will NOT be posted on Blackboard
5. The Numeric Final Course grade will NOT be posted on Blackboard
6. The Final course grade is posted to CampusConnect as a letter grade and is the “official” grade of the course; this is the grade transcribed.
7. Please refer to your SVN handbook for additional comments about grades.
8. Each student is responsible for knowing their current average for all classes.

9. Students must earn a “C” or better in this class for progression.
10. Students have the opportunity to review all grades as they are recorded. Should the student have any questions about a specific grade or specific test question, the student must discuss this with the instructor within 48 hours of notification of grade assignment. Once the 48 hours have passed without the student questioning the grade or question, the assigned grade is final and may not be challenged at the end of the course. The Final Exam may not be reviewed.

D. EXAMINATION POLICY:

1. See Lecture/Exam Schedule.
2. Presentation of material includes class lectures, discussion, and handouts.
3. All exams are comprehensive in nature—this means that material previously covered in the course may appear on any exam since the student is expected to retain information and not “dump” information.
4. Course grade will be determined by unit exams, quizzes, homework, group project and the comprehensive final.
5. No hats, caps, blankets, jackets, backpacks, books, food, water, cell phones, or pagers are allowed in the classroom during exams.
6. All cell phones and pagers should be in your locker or vehicle during classes.

E. MISSED EXAM/MAKEUP WORK:

Students are expected to take all examinations for each nursing course. There are **NO MAKE UP EXAMS** for this course. Since the Final exam is comprehensive (meaning that it covers the entire course), the Final Exam will be the missed exam **FOR THE FIRST MISSED EXAM ONLY.** Should any additional exam be missed, a grade of “0” will be recorded.

NO exams will be given prior to the originally scheduled exam. Please do not ask. For Test Security, no hats, caps, backpacks, purses, blankets or jackets may be worn during testing. **ALL CELL PHONES AND PAGERS SHOULD BE IN YOUR LOCKER OR VEHICLE DURING CLASS.**

F. ASSIGNMENT POLICY: Students are responsible for reviewing and printing the CLASS SCHEDULE from Blackboard.

G. CLASSROOM RULES:

- a. **ALL CELL PHONES, LAPTOPS, RECORDING DEVICES, AND PAGERS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE CLASSROOM AND SHOULD BE IN YOUR LOCKER OR VEHICLE DURING CLASS.** Penalties will apply to the student who chooses to SNEAK in their phone to class.
- b. Only bottled water with screw top is allowed in the classroom. Snacks, food, and other beverages are to be left in the student’s locker or consumed in the designated eating area of the building.
- c. The classroom is a learning environment and is set for the student to learn and ask questions. If any student becomes disruptive or disrespectful in class, being towards another student or the instructor, they will be asked to leave and take an absence for the day.

III. COURSE OUTLINE

- A. REQUIRED READINGS: The student is responsible for understanding and completing the Learning Objectives and the Key Terms at the beginning of each chapter before class.
- B. LECTURE: It is the student’s responsibility to be present during lecture, take notes, and print out the power point presentation and worksheets. The worksheets provided on Blackboard should be utilized during lecture and to help the student study.
- C. QUIZZES: Quizzes will be given either before lecture starts or after lecture. Quizzes are provided to help test the knowledge of the student and help guide them to their strengths and weaknesses of the material.
- D. GROUP PRESENTATION: The student is responsible for participating in a group presentation and collaborating with other students in group to complete the presentation. The student must utilize the “Group Presentation” rubric to help complete the presentation and the rubric will be utilized to give final grade of

presentation. At the end of presentation every student will participate in an evaluation of their group members. The group member evaluation will be incorporated in the final "Group Presentation" grade. If there is a member of a group not able to participate the group members that remain will need to complete the work necessary for the presentation.

IV. COURSE CONTENT: This intermediate course covers disease processes, nursing care, and medication in specific body systems. Content includes:

1. Fluid and Electrolytes
2. Cardiovascular
3. Hematologic disorders
4. Respiratory disorders
5. Genitourinary and Reproductive System
6. Mental Health

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT STATEMENT

"Students with disabilities, including but not limited to physical, psychiatric or learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in this class should notify the Special Service Office early in the semester so that appropriate arrangements may be made." In accordance with federal law, a student requesting accommodations must provide acceptable documentation of his/her disability to the Coordinator of Special Services. For more information, call or visit the Disability Services Office at Levelland Student Health & Wellness Center 806-716-2577, Reese Center (also covers ATC) Building 8: 806-716-4675, Plainview Center Main Office: 806-716-4302 or 806-296-9611, or the Health and Wellness main number at 806-716-2529.

1409 SYLLABUS CONTRACT

By signing below, I agree that I have read and understand the syllabus for VNSG 1409. I also acknowledge that I have been given an opportunity to ask questions.

Signature _____

Date _____