CREDIT HOURS:  2.00

CONTACT HOURS:  30.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course establishes the metaparadigm concepts: client/patient, health, environment, and nursing. The course explores historical and contemporary nursing practice and health care delivery systems. Students are initially exposed to critical thinking and the nursing process, legal and ethical issues in nursing practice, communication strategies, safety and infection control, cultural concepts and culturally responsive care, loss and grief, as well as, factors promoting physiological and psychosocial health through client/patient education that are integrated throughout the curriculum during this course. In level I, first year, first semester of the Nursing Program, emphasis is on the nursing student as a caregiver and the responsibilities this entails.

PREREQUISITES:  ENG 119, BIO 240, BIO 250, BIO 295, PSY 101; Admission to the Nursing Program.

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:
1. Describe metaparadigm concepts.
2. Identify effective communication skills.
3. Use the nursing process to meet the health needs of clients.
4. Consider variables when providing care.
5. Describe caring constructs.
6. Describe effective teaching and learning principles.
7. Describe roles of health care team members.
8. Consider knowledge from nursing and general education courses when planning care.

ASSESSMENT METHODS:

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.
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COURSE SYLLABUS

GRADING SCALE:
90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E