CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 90.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This course focuses on the nursing care of the pediatric patient and family unit. The concepts of growth and development related to the pediatric patient will be examined. Use of evidence-based practice is integrated to provide the student with current trends to apply in clinical reasoning. An emphasis is on the nursing student evolving into the role of the professional nurse and the responsibilities this entails. The student's application of the nursing process is enhanced in managing care of the pediatric patient and family.

PREREQUISITE: ENG 119, BIO 155, BIO 240, BIO 250, BIO 295, PSY 101, NUR 110, NUR 118, NUR 112, NUR 119, NUR 114, NUR 116, NUR 210, NUR 212

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Integrate the roles and responsibilities of the nurse as a caregiver and member of the multidisciplinary team in the pediatric setting
- Integrate teamwork, safety, and advocacy into the care of diverse pediatric patients
- Implement evidence-based practice (EBP) for determining quality and safe practice in the pediatric setting.
- Apply patient centered care during clinical experience to diverse patients
- Identify the variations in the patient's unique needs when providing pediatric nursing 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.

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