COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This course focuses on the successful transition of the graduate student nurse into safe clinical practice as a professional nurse. This course prepares students with the necessary NCLEX preparatory skills. It also highlights management and leadership issues impacting health care today. Emphasis is on the student evolving into the role of professional nurse with responsibility for prioritizing nursing actions and judgments related to the delivery of safe and effective client care.

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:
- Compare and contrast the roles and responsibilities of the nurse as a leader in a variety of health care settings.
- Illustrate major economic, political, social, cultural, and environmental factors that affect professional nursing practice.
- Demonstrate NCLEX preparedness
- Integrate evidence-based practice with nursing actions and judgments related to the delivery of safe and effective patient care.
- Evaluate nursing practice challenges involving patient centered 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