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## **General Syllabus**

### **HLTH 1013 Health Career Concepts**

Credit Hours: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Lab Hours: 0

Effective Catalog: 2018-2019

#### **I. Course Information**

##### **A. Catalog Description**

Introduces students to concepts necessary to become professional and successful employees in the healthcare area. Concepts presented include communication skills in the healthcare area, professional and workplace behavior, legal/ethical guidelines, critical thinking, culture, needs/motivation, lifelong learning, interdisciplinary teams/groups, healthcare today, and professional development.

#### **II. Student Learning Outcomes**

##### **A. Subject Matter**

Upon completion of this course, the student will:

1. Understand the need for professionalism in the workplace,
2. Have the skills required to interview for healthcare positions,
3. Understand components of different career fields related to care of the sick, elderly, and injured,
4. Understand legal/ethical issues encountered in the healthcare field,
5. Understand the healthcare needs of multi-cultural groups, and
6. Have the ability to work in groups and use critical thinking skills

##### **B. University Learning Outcomes**

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

###### **Analytical Skills**

**Critical Thinking Skills:** Students will use critical thinking skills to analyzing problems and justifying their solutions.

###### **Communication Skills (written and oral)**

Students will communicate proficiently both in written and oral form, and use

therapeutic communication skills.

**Ethics**

Students will understand the University of Arkansas – Fort Smith Standards of Conduct and Academic Honesty policies and apply these standards to their professional role.

**Global and Cultural Perspectives**

Students will develop an awareness of their discipline in a global environment.

**III. Major Course Topics**

- A. History of Health Care
- B. Healthcare Systems
- C. Careers in Health Care
- D. Qualities of Successful Healthcare Worker
- E. Communication Skills
- F. Culture of Health Care Professions
- G. How to acquire and keep a job in the health professions
- H. Infection Control
- I. Legal/Ethical Responsibilities
- J. Nutrition and Diets
- K. Safety in the workplace