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General Syllabus

NURS 3234 Nursing Care of Women

Credit Hours: 4 Lecture Hours: 2 Laboratory or other types of Hours: 6

Prerequisite(s): NURS 3225 Nursing Fundamentals and admission to BSN program

Prerequisite(s) or corequisite(s): NURS 4336 Nursing Care of the Adult II or NURS 3339 Adult Medical Surgical Nursing

Effective Catalog: 2023-2024

I. Course Information

- **A.** Catalog Description: Focuses on the care of women along the health and illness continuum. Students apply the nursing process to address care of the normal pregnancy, high-risk pregnancy, and women's health issues and healthy and high-risk newborns. This course includes 90 hours in the clinical setting.
- **B.** Additional Course Description: The course will be presented utilizing multiple teaching/learning strategies.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Utilize critical thinking in addressing the care of the normal pregnancy; high-risk pregnancy; care of the healthy newborn and women's health issues.
- 2. Integrate the use of nursing research in the care of the normal pregnancy; high-risk pregnancy; care of healthy newborn and women's health issues.
- 3. Engage in various forms of age-appropriate communication to address care of the woman and pregnant client throughout the lifespan.
- 4. Promote leadership and management responsibilities while applying the nursing process to address care of women throughout the lifespan.
- 5. Advocate health promotion activities in the nursing care of women.
- 6. Promote the role of the professional nurse in interacting and caring for women.

B. University Learning Outcomes:

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Analytical Skills

Critical Thinking Skills

Students will identify problems/issues and develop solutions/ analysis.

Communication Skills (written and oral)

Students will communicate proficiently.

Ethical Decision Making

Students will model ethical decision-making processes in nursing and health care related settings.

Global and Cultural Perspectives

Students will reflect upon cultural differences and their implications for interacting with people from cultures other than their own.

III. Major Course Topics

- A. Introduction to Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Cultural Diversity
- B. Nursing Care of Pregnant Women and Complications of Pregnancy
- C. Nursing Care of Women during Childbirth and Complications of Labor and Birth
- D. Nursing Care of Women during Postpartum and Complications of Postpartum
- E. Nursing Care of the Newborn and Newborn Complications
- F. Women's Health Issues