NURS 122: Supplemental Summer Clinical Practicum (2 Credits)

COURSE DESCRIPTION
NURS 122 is an optional course, to be taken during the summer. It is a multi-level course offered to students having completed NURS113 Foundational Concepts of Nursing, and others having completed NURS125 Nursing in Health and Illness I or NURS 225 Nursing in Health and Illness II, the first and second courses respectively in medical surgical nursing. It allows for flexibility to better meet the individual needs of our diverse multi-cultural student population. This concept coincides with national trends in nursing education to establish courses that will enhance nursing student success. The course was designed to promote continuity of patient care and reinforcement of clinical skills by being offered on three consecutive, eight hour days. This course will not contain a formal lecture component, extensive written assignments or exams so that students can focus on the clinical experience and have an opportunity to take this course without the demands of a heavy academic load.

Pre-requisites: NURS 113, NURS 121

Course Outcomes
At the completion of this course, the student will be able to apply the nursing process and provide safe, ethical nursing care to patients who have disruptions in physical and/or psychosocial health concerns. The student will:
1. Accurately perform a physical assessment.
2. Accurately assess and record temperature, blood pressure, pulse and respirations of assigned patients.
3. Implement the nursing process in caring for patients of varying acuity levels on a medical-surgical unit.
4. Demonstrate safe care of patients with aseptic technique, wound care, finger stick blood glucose monitoring (when possible) and foley catheters.
5. Students who have completed NURS125 and NURS225 can manage intravenous fluids.
6. Safely administer oral, IM and SQ medications under the guidance and supervision of the Clinical Instructor. Students who have completed NURS125 and NURS225 will administer IVPB’s.
7. Accurately document nursing observations and care according to hospital policy.
8. Evaluate patient outcomes and revise care plans as needed.
9. Demonstrate increasing ability to organize and prioritize patient care.

Program Outcomes (EOPSLO’s: End of Program Student Learning Outcomes)
1. Maintain legal, ethical, evidence-based and professional standards in nursing.
2. Utilize clinical reasoning in practice.
3. Practice patient centered care.
4. Demonstrate teamwork and collaboration.
5. Effectively use current technology and informatics.
6. Ensure a safe environment for patient, self, and others.

Evaluation Methodology
- 3 Concept Maps (P / F)
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- Weekly Clinical Evaluation
- Students will be given a Final Clinical Evaluation. Students are graded using a graduated scale throughout the Nursing Program. Students must receive a satisfactory performance rating to pass the course.