

NURS 205-Transition to Professional Nursing Practice

Course Description

NURS 205: Transition to Professional Nursing Practice Facilitates the entry of the graduate into the profession of nursing, including trends in the scope of practice and roles of the nurse in an ever-changing health care delivery system. Includes discussion of professional nursing organizations, accountability in nursing practice, identification of socio-political factors influencing professional nursing, and evidence-based practice. Legal and ethical responsibilities related to nursing practice are further considered. Aspects of nursing leadership and healthcare management are reviewed. Must be taken during final semester of the program.

PREREQUISITE(S): Admission to the nursing program or the consent of the program coordinator. **COREQUISITE(S): NURS 240.** *One hour each week.*

1 semester hour

Course Outcomes

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

1. Identify models of professional development as they relate to nursing practice.
2. Apply concepts of professional and non-professional behavior within clinical nursing practice.
3. Consider academic and professional options for advancing clinical nursing practice.
4. Integrate legal and ethical concepts into professional nursing practice.
5. Incorporate principles of evidence-based practice, resource management and safety into professional nursing practice.
6. Examine leadership and health care management principles as they apply to nursing practice.

Program Outcomes

1. Maintain legal, ethical, evidence-based, and professional standards of 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

Process for Determining Grade

Exams	Points
Practice Comprehensive Predictor A	20
Practice Comprehensive Predictor B	20
Standardized Proctored Comprehensive Predictor	60
EXAM points possible	100
EXAM points needed for 75%	75
<i>TOTAL COURSE POINTS</i>	180

Assignments	Points
Online discussions (10x5 pts each)	6
Resume Writing	20
Continuing Education in Written Assignment	10
ASSIGNMENT points possible	80
ASSIGNMENT points needed for 75%	60