

# NURSING/BSN (NURS)

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**NURS 3244 Issues and Trends in Nursing 2 Credits (2 Lec, 0 Lab)**

This course provides registered nurses with an overview of the evolution of nursing as a profession. Examine changes in the U.S. healthcare delivery system, the importance of information technology, and measures that promote quality, safety, and better health outcomes in patient care. Consider major issues and trends in contemporary nursing and healthcare practice, including the influence of socioeconomic, ethical, legal, and political variables and professional values.

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 3350 Transition to Baccalaureate Nursing 3 Credits (3 Lec, 0 Lab)**

This course requires synthesis of previous knowledge and skills to provide the foundation for development of the baccalaureate prepared nursing roles as a provider of patient centered care, patient safety advocate, member of the interdisciplinary team, and member of the profession. Discussion includes examination of historical aspects of healthcare and nursing as a profession, analysis of nursing theory, application of clinical judgment, legal and ethical standards, professionalism, teamwork, and collaboration.

Prerequisite(s): MATH 1342, BIOL 1322, and CHEM 1305/CHEM 1105 OR CHEM 1311/CHEM 1111

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 3351 Research & Evidence-Based Nursing Practice 3 Credits (3 Lec, 0 Lab)**

This course requires scholarly exchange to prepare the baccalaureate nurse to understand the language of research and the scientific process through evaluation of quantitative, qualitative, and mixed method research methodology as a foundation for evidence-based practice in the healthcare setting. This course will investigate research methods and findings and promote appraisal skills to support evidence-based, patient-centered care, quality improvement, and safety outcomes.

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 3353 Informatics & Technology in Healthcare 3 Credits (3 Lec, 0 Lab)**

This course establishes the role of electronic information infrastructure in the delivery of care within the institution and inter-disciplinary care team. Focus of this course includes the utilization of informatics to access data to enhance quality and continuity of care in a variety of healthcare settings.

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 3432 Community Health Nursing 4 Credits (3 Lec, 7 Lab)**

This course introduces the registered nurse to concepts of community health utilizing the population-focused nursing process. Includes levels of disease prevention, principles of epidemiology, community assessment, environmental health, disaster preparedness, and professional nursing roles and inter-professional collaboration in various community settings. Emphasis is on health promotion, risk reduction, and disease management across the lifespan in selected community settings.

Practice experience is required and can be completed in the community.

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 4314 Theoretical Principles of Nursing 3 Credits (3 Lec, 0 Lab)**

This course examines the theoretical and conceptual bases of nursing to encourage the student to critique, evaluate and utilize appropriate nursing theory within their own practice. Focus will be on a variety of theories from nursing.

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 4326 Legal & Ethical Considerations in Nursing 3 Credits (3 Lec, 0 Lab)**

This course for the registered nurse (RN) synthesizes ethical/legal concepts required for examination of sound decision making in clinical practice and legal responsibility. The focus is on value clarification, application of ethical theory, ethical decision-making models, and professional ethical standards. Emphasis is on ethical obligations of professional nurses in their roles as citizens, members of a profession, providers of care, and designers and managers of care.

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 4341 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan 3 Credits (3 Lec, 0 Lab)**

This course introduces the registered nurse to the concept of wellness across the lifespan. Students will examine the concepts of health and wellness, the determinants of health behavior, national health status, the history of health education and health promotion. The student will recognize health promotion as an important foundation for population-based health care.

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 4358 Public & Global Health Policy 3 Credits (3 Lec, 0 Lab)**

This course explores the policies that influence healthcare in the U.S. and global healthcare delivery systems. Topics include healthcare policy development, quality assurance and quality improvement, legislative advocacy, disaster preparedness, bio-terrorism, emerging infectious diseases, environmental health, levels of prevention, and the national health initiatives.

Course Type: Academic

**NURS 4457 Leadership & Management 4 Credits (3 Lec, 1 Lab)**

This course explores leadership and management theories, resource allocation, the nurse as a change agent, member of the profession, communication, and quality improvement in the healthcare setting.

Course Type: Academic