

NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY NSG 106 – COMPETENCIES FOR NURSING PRACTICE (2 CR.)

Course Description

Focuses on the application of concepts through clinical skill development. Emphasizes the use of clinical judgment in skill acquisition. Includes principles of safety, evidence-based practice, informatics and math computational skills. Prepares students to demonstrate competency in specific skills and drug dosage calculation including the integration of skills in the care of clients in simulated settings. Provides supervised learning experiences in college nursing laboratories, clinical/community settings, and/or simulated environments. Lecture 1 hour. Laboratory 3 hours. Total 4 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

The purpose of this course is to teach novice students the basic nursing skills needed to care for clients in the clinical setting.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

Prerequisites: MTE 1-5 and BIO 141 and BIO 142 or BIO 231 and 232. ENG 111, PSY 230, SDV 101 or 100
Co-requisites: BIO 150 or BIO205, NSG 100 and NSG 130, NSG 200

Course Objectives

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate the use of therapeutic communication, caring behaviors and client self-determination, in the implementation of clinical skills in the lab setting.
2. Report patient safety issues and risks related to skill completion in a laboratory setting.
3. Summarize the components of clinical reasoning, evidence-based practice and the nursing process in the implementation of clinical skills.
4. Demonstrate professionalism and professional behaviors
5. Compute drug dosage calculations with 90% accuracy.
6. Perform required skills safely and accurately.

Major Topics to be Included

1. Safety
2. Drug Dosage Calculations
3. Infection
4. Mobility
5. Functional Ability
6. Tissue Integrity
7. Urinary Elimination
8. Bowel Elimination
9. Gas Exchange
10. Nutrition
11. Medication Administration