FUNDAMENTALS OF NURSING
Course Syllabus

Course Number: OHLAP
Credit: No

OCAS Code: None
Course Length: 172 Hours
Career Cluster: Health Science
Career Pathway: Therapeutic Services
Career Major(s): Practical Nurse

Pre-requisite(s): Block 1 Courses (Long Term Care Nurse Assistant, Anatomy, and Medical Terminology)

From Block 2, Concepts of Nursing (may be taken concurrently)

Course Description: This course is an introduction to nursing care. Topics include utilizing the nursing process, performing assessment/data collection, and providing patient education. Principles and skills of nursing practice, documentation, and an introduction to physical assessment/data collection are taught. Special topics covering the care of the geriatric patient, the dying patient, the oncology patient, the pre/postoperative patient, and the management of pain are included in the course. Emphasis will be placed on developing critical thinking skills, demonstrating professionalism by maintaining confidentiality, recognizing legal/ethical responsibilities, acting as a patient advocate, maintaining positive patient/colleague relationships, and by implementing appropriate standards of care.

Textbooks:


Mosby’s Diagnostic and Lab Test Reference, 12th Edition, Elsevier
Course Objectives:

A. Utilize the nursing process to gather data regarding patient’s medical status.¹
B. Analyze data related to patient’s medical status.¹
C. Utilize the nursing process to contribute to the patient’s plan of care.¹
D. Utilize the nursing process when making decisions related to patient care.¹
E. Utilize the nursing process to safely demonstrate nursing skills needed to promote patient wellness.¹
F. Utilize the nursing process to evaluate patient’s responses to nursing actions.¹
G. Discuss documentation guidelines.¹
H. Perform aspects of the patient’s complete physical examination.¹
I. Use correct aseptic or sterile techniques.¹
J. Identify safety issues related to patient care.¹
K. Provide wound care in a variety of patient situations.¹
L. Implement nursing actions to prevent complications of immobility.¹
M. Provide nursing care for the patient before, during and after a therapeutic procedure and/or surgery.¹
N. Identify nursing care needed for the dying patient.¹
O. Explain nursing care needed for the geriatric patient.¹
P. Discuss nursing care for the patient in pain.¹
Q. Demonstrate techniques for obtaining specimens needed for diagnostic testing.¹
R. Provide pre-operative, intraoperative, and postoperative care.¹

¹ ODCTE Objective

All unmarked objectives are TTC instructor developed.

Certification for Advanced Unlicensed Assistants - Some individuals may be eligible to establish that they have had equivalent training, based on completion of formal classroom, laboratory, and clinical training. Such training may have been obtained in a nursing education program, in the military, in a
similar program in another state, or through inservice training. An application packet for equivalency evaluation is available from the Oklahoma Board of Nursing.

Teaching Methods:
This course will be taught in the classroom, lab and various other settings. A variety of instructional tools will be utilized, including lecture, independent study/practice, guided study/practice, audio/visual, and computer and web based applications.

Grading Procedures:
Students are graded based on performance of activities, such as labs, worksheets, study guides, quizzes and exams. Each course must be passed with eighty (80) percent which correlates to the district grading scale of a “B”. Courses may have higher requirements for certain items within the course. The district grading scale is as follows:

A = 90-100%
B = 80 -89%
C = 70-79%
D = 60-69%
F = below 59%

Description of Classroom, Laboratories, and Equipment:
Tulsa Technology Center campuses are owned and operated by Tulsa Technology Center School District No. 18. All programs provide students the opportunity to work with professionally certified instructors in modern, well-equipped facilities.

Available Certifications/College Credit
The student may be eligible to take state, national or industry exam after completion of the program. Tulsa Tech students may be able to earn college credit based on their knowledge gained at Tech. The process of earning credit through Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) will be determined after completion with Tech and based on certification, credential or knowledge of the subject. See program counselor for additional information.

College Credit Eligibility:
All Tulsa Tech students (high school and adult) may have the opportunity to receive college credit upon completion of their program. Our College Relations office will work with students regarding the benefits of Prior Learning Assessments (PLA) toward an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree or a technical college certificate at area colleges. For more details call the College Relations office at 918.828.5000.