SOUTH PLAINS COLLEGE-REESE

VOCATIONAL NURSING PROGRAM

COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: VNSG 1409 Nursing in Health and Illness 2 (Level 2 Adult Health Nursing)

PRE-REQUISITES: Approval of Program Director

SEMESTER/YEAR: Summer 2020

INSTRUCTOR: Mary Backus, BSN, RN-BC

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OFFICE HOURS: By appointment

I. GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

A. <u>COURSE DESCRIPTION (WECM)</u>: VNSG: Continuation of General principles of growth and development, primary health care needs of the patient across the life span, and therapeutic nursing interventions with a special emphasis on medication administration and pharmacology.

B. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME (DECS):

- 1. Identify and discuss medication administration and basic principles of pharmacology.
- 2. Identify medications for each body system; discuss therapeutic actions and responses of medications for each system
- 3. Utilizing information from Adult Health 1, discuss medication use and patient response in each disease process
- 4. Identify side effects, adverse effects of different classifications of medications
- 5. Assist in formulation of a plan of care utilizing the nursing process for medical-surgical conditions.
- 6. Discuss appropriate therapeutic measures for each disease processes.
- 7. See textbook specific objectives for each chapter.

C. COURSE COMPETENCIES:

Grading scale:

A-----90-100

B-----80-89.9

C----75-79.9

D-----70-74.9

F-----69.9 and below

D. ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:

Please refer to SPC Catalog and Vocational Nursing Student Handbook

E. SCANs (Secretaries Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills) and FOUNDATION SKILLS:

C-1,C-2,C-3,C-4,C-5,C-6,C-7,C-9,C-10,C-11,C-12,C-13,C-14,C-15,C-16,C-17,C-18,C-19

F-1,F-2,F-3,F-4,F-5,F-6,F-7,F-8,F-9,F-10,F-11,F-12,F-13,F-14,F-15,F-16,F-17

F. VERIFICATION OF WORKPLACE COMPETENCIES:

No external learning experiences provided. Successful completion of the DECS competency statements at the level specifies by the course (Level Objectives) will allow the student to continue to advance within the program. Upon successful completion of the program, students will be eligible to take the State Board Exam (NCLEX) for Vocational Nurse licensure.

II. SPECIFIC COURSE/INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

- A. MANDATORY TEXTBOOKS:
- 1. Watkins, C. J. (2018). Pharmacology Clear & Simple. (3rd ed). F.A. Davis.
- 2. Williams, L., & Hopper, P. (2019). <u>Understanding Medical Surgical Nursing</u>, (6th ed.), F.A. Davis. ISBN #978-0-8036-6898-0
- 3. Williams, L., & Hopper, P. (2019) <u>Study Workbook for Understanding Medical Surgical Nursing</u>, (6th ed.), F.A. Davis. ISBN #978-0-8036-6900-0
- 4. Venes, D. (Ed.). (2013). <u>Taber's Cyclopedic Medical Dictionary</u> (22nd ed.). Philadelphia: F.A. Davis Company.
- 5. Davis Drug Guide

B. ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Attendance online course

CLASS MEETINGS WILL BE THURSDAYS AT 3:00PM(EXCEPT WEEK 5 WILL BE Wednesday AT 3:00PM)
WEEK ONE WILL HAVE AN ADDITIONAL MEETING ON Wednesday AT 9:00 AM
WEEKS 1-4 UNIT EXAMS WILL BE THURSDAYS @ 2:00 PM
WEEK 5 Wednesday & FRIDAY @ 2:00PM
WEEK 6 MATH EXAM TUESDAY AT 2:00PM, FINAL FRIDAY @ 2:00PM

There are no excused absences in the Vocational Nursing Program. Missing even one lecture/class activity can negatively impact student performance; therefore attendance is mandatory and students are accountable to attend and be on time.

Absences are recorded for the whole day. If you miss the exam or the required class meeting it will be counted as an absence.

As a matter of courtesy and professional behavior, a student who is going to be absent should email or call the course instructor and inform the instructor of the pending absence.

Allowable absences in this class will be one(1) absence. Students should take an absence when they are truly ill (running fever, nausea/vomiting not due to pregnancy, diarrhea or some other communicable disease). A physician's release should be submitted when the student is treated by a physician.

A second absence will be allowed only with a doctor note or court document requiring your attendance.

Students who exceed the allowable absence no longer meet the course criteria and must withdraw.

Tardiness— It is disruptive to students who are on time for a tardy student to enter the class meeting. It also demonstrates a lack of caring and lack of respect to classmates for the tardy student to disrupt class meeting. Students who are - tardy to the start of class meeting and not logged into the meeting by at least 5 minutes after the start are considered tardy. Two tardies count as one absence.

C. GRADING POLICY /METHODS OF EVALUATION: VNSG 1401
UNIT EXAMS------ 70%

- 1. In the interest of consistency, all grades will be calculated as outlined in the student handbook (no rounding of grades)
- 2. Exams will be reviewed—once graded—any adjustments will have a reason emailed to the students
- 3. The Final course grade is posted to MySPC as a letter grade and is the transcript grade.
- 4. Please refer to your SVN handbook for additional comments about grades.
- 5. Each student should know their current average for all classes.
- 6. Students must earn a "C" (75) or better in this class for progression.
- 7. Students have the opportunity to review all grades as they are recorded. Should the student have any questions about a specific grade or specific test question, the student must discuss this with the instructor within 48 hours of notification of graded assignment. Once the 48 hours have passed without the student questioning the grade or question, the assigned grade is final and may not be challenged at the end of the course. The Final Exam may not be reviewed. Email to set up a one on one time to review your UNIT tests if needed..
- 8. 6 unit exams, 1 math exam, 2 quizzes and miscellaneous assignments(averaged together for one exam grade) and 1 Final exam grade

D. **EXAMINATION POLICY:**

- 1. See Lecture/Exam Schedule. Each unit exam will include at least 2 dosage calculation questions.
- 2. All exams are comprehensive in nature—this means that material previously covered in the course may appear on any exam since the student is expected to retain information and not "dump" information.
- 3. Course grade will be determined by unit exams, pop quizzes, math exams, projects, "other" as deemed necessary, and the comprehensive final
- 4. I expect integrity while testing. Your knowledge can mean life or death to a human being. Cheating will not be tolerated. You cannot expect to pass NCLEX or take care of patients if you did not learn the information.

E. MISSED EXAM/MAKEUP WORK:

Students are expected to take all examinations for each nursing course. There are **NO MAKE UP EXAMS** for this course. Since the Final exam is comprehensive (meaning that it covers the entire course), the Final Exam grade will be used for the missed exam grade **FOR THE FIRST MISSED EXAM ONLY.** Should any additional exam be missed, a grade of "0" will be recorded.

NO exams will be given prior to the originally scheduled exam. Please do not ask.

If pop tests, class assignments, or other work is missed, there is no makeup work for these—the grade recorded is "0"

- F. ASSIGNMENT and class meeting POLICY:
- 1. All students should read the assigned chapters prior to the class lecture
- 2. ALL students must attend the weekly class meeting
- 3. Each student will complete a Medication Map (more information on the Med Map on Black Board)
- 4. Each student must watch all recorded lectures.

III. COURSE CONTENT:

- 1. Review of Medication Administration and Pharmacology (covered in EMA in Level 1)
- 2. Fluid and Electrolytes
- 3. Care of Patients in Pain

- 4. Care of Patients with Cancer
- 5. Immune Disorders
- 6. Cardiovascular Disorders
- 7. Hematologic and Lymphatic Disorders
- 8. Respiratory Disorders
- 9. Gastrointestinal Disorders
- 10. Urinary System Disorders
- 11. Endocrine Disorders
- 12. Reproductive and Genitourinary Disorders
- 13. Musculoskeletal Disorders
- 14. Neurologic and Sensory Disorders
- 15. Integumentary Disorders

IV. COURSE EXIT REQUIREMENTS:

1. Must pass the course with a minimum of 75 average.

Campus Concealed Carry syllabus statement:

Campus Concealed Carry - Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in South Plains College buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and South Plains College policy, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations. For a list of locations, please refer to the SPC policy at: (http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human resources/policy procedure/hhc.php)

Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all South Plains College campuses. Report violations to the College Police Department at 806-716-2396 or 9-1-1.

Students with Disabilities Statement:

Students with disabilities, including but not limited to physical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in this class should notify the Disability Services Office early in the semester so that the appropriate arrangements may be made. In accordance with federal law, a student requesting accommodations must provide acceptable documentation of his/her disability to the Disability Services Office. For more information, call or visit the Disability Services Office at Levelland (Student Health & Wellness Office) 806-716-2577, Reese Center (Building 8) 806-716-4675, or Plainview Center (Main Office) 806-716-4302 or 806-296-9611.

South Plains College strives to accommodate the individual needs of all students in order to enhance their opportunities for success in the context of a comprehensive community college setting. It is the policy of South Plains College to offer all educational and employment opportunities without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, disability or age.

It is the intent of South Plains College to be in full compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 503, 504), the Vietnam Era Veterans Assistance Act of 1974, Texas Statutes 6252-14-V.A.T.S. and 6252-16-V.A.T.S., and Executive Orders 11246 and 11758

Title IX Pregnancy Accommodations Statement

4.1.1.4 Title IX Pregnancy Accommodations Statement (updated 6/2019)

If you are pregnant, or have given birth been within six months, under Title IX you have a right to reasonable accommodations to help continue your education. Students who wish to request accommodations must contact the Health and Wellness Center at 806-716-2529 to initiate the process.

VNSG 1409
Adult Health Level 2
By signing below, I agree that I have reviewed the syllabus for Adult Health Level 2 and understand the course requirements. I have been given the opportunity to ask any questions that I may have prior to the start of the course.
Print Name
Signature

