

EXPLORING NURSING

NUR 110 Sections 001 and 002

2 Credits

Section 001: Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:50pm; A133 Life Sciences

Section 002: Thursday, 12:40 – 2:30pm; A219 Clinical Center

Spring 2009

Catalog Course Description: Introduction to the bio-psycho-social conceptual model of persons in relation to nursing and health. Core concepts and theoretical foundations that frame the art and science of nursing. Development of the profession from inception into contemporary practice and its relationship to the U.S. healthcare system.

Course Objectives: At the end of this course, students will:

1. Describe the breadth and variety of roles, professional knowledge, and characteristics integral to a baccalaureate prepared nurse.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of concepts relevant to nursing practice.
3. Examine the development of nursing as a profession.
4. Explain the relationship of nursing to other health professions and the health care system.

Prerequisites: None

Co-requisites: None

Professional Standards & Guidelines: The curriculum is guided by the following documents:

American Association of Colleges of Nursing (2008). *The essentials of baccalaureate education for professional nursing practice*. Washington, DC: Author.

American Nurses Association (2001). *Code of ethics for nurses with interpretive statements*. Washington, DC: Author ISBN 1-55810-176-4

American Nurses Association (2004). *Nursing: Scope and standards of practice*. Washington, DC: Author ISBN 1-55810-215-9

American Nurses Association (2003). *Nursing's social policy statement (2nd ed.)*. Washington, DC: Author ISBN 1-55810-214-0

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Note: Times can be arranged to accommodate student schedules.

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Note: Times can be arranged to accommodate student schedules.

Instruction:

a. Required Texts:

- Cresia, J.L., & Parker, B. (2007). 4th ed. *Conceptual foundations: The bridge to professional nursing practice*. Baltimore: Elsevier Mosby.

b. Optional Texts:

c. Required Resources, References, Supplies:

ANGEL Help Line

1.800.500.1554 (24 hrs, 7 days/week)

517.355.2345 (24 hrs, 7 days/week)

www.angel.msu.edu (ANGEL Help link in upper right corner)

Always check with the ANGEL Help Line first!

Evaluation:

a. Learning Assessments and Grading:

The final course grade will weighted as follows:

Mid-term examination: 30%

Final examination: 30%

Quizzes: 20%

Homework and presentations: 20%

Total 100%

b. Course Grading Scale: The standard College of Nursing grading scale will be utilized.

%	GRADE
100-94 %	4.0
93-89%	3.5
84-88%	3.0
83-79%	2.5
75-78%	2.0
74-70%	1.5
65-69%	1.0
<64%	0.0

“Final Course Grades will not be rounded”

***University & College Policies:**

The College of Nursing expects that students will demonstrate professional behavior in all situations. Specific expectations for clinical and other professional venues can be found in the appropriate handbook. You are responsible for reviewing and acting in accordance with the policies and procedures found in the following sources, including the following topics: Professionalism, Academic Integrity, Accommodations for Students with Disabilities, Disruptive Behavior, Attendance, Compliance, and Progression.

- CON Student handbook <http://nursing.msu.edu/handbooks.asp>
- MSU Spartan Life Student Handbook and Resource Guide
<http://www.vps.msu.edu/SpLife/index.htm>
- Information for Current Students—including Rights, Responsibilities and Regulations for Students <http://www.msu.edu/current/index.html>
- Academic Programs <http://www.reg.msu.edu/UCC/AcademicPrograms.asp>

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Additional Course Information

Additional Course Description: This 2 credit course provides key foundational concepts of health care and nursing. Theoretical foundations that frame the art and science of nursing will be introduced with relation to current health care issues. Practical skills and strategies for success in the nursing program and profession will be explored.

Additional Course Objectives: None

Instruction:

- a. Methodology: This course will utilize large group discussions, didactic interaction, audio-visual materials, and written examinations, quizzes and student presentations.

Course Policies:

A. **Policies:**

Refer to MSU Spartan Life Handbook and College of Nursing BSN Handbook for Policies regarding:

1. Academic Dishonesty
2. Taping and communication devices
3. Weather
4. Protection of property/computers
5. Protection of Scholarship and grades
6. SIRS
7. Clinical Attire/dress code
8. Disabled Student

B. **Attendance**

Attendance is required for all classes, unless prior arrangements have been made with course faculty. Classes are the entire time scheduled. Any unexcused absence may result in a decrease in the final course grade.

C. **Homework assignments-**

Some homework assignments will be assigned in class. If you did not attend class, you may NOT submit the assignment. All points will go towards a final grade. Assignments will not be accepted after the due date. Emergency situations must be discussed with faculty. A healthcare provider's note or documentation may be requested. Do not send messages to faculty through Angel—see communication below.

D. **Quizzes**

Quizzes will be given throughout the semester.

Quizzes will be posted on Angel website for 5 days following class. Access through <https://angel.msu.edu>, click lessons tab, select quiz. The quizzes are time limited (15 min.), so open only when you are available to complete them. There is one opportunity to access the quiz, so, it cannot be closed and completed at a later time. The quizzes will open at 3pm after the Thursday class and close at midnight the following Tuesday.. Quizzes cannot be made-up. Do not access quizzes before open-it will count as a quiz grade (0).

E. **Examinations**

Examinations will be given during course periods. Students arriving late will have the scheduled time for completion of the exam. All students are expected to take examinations on the date scheduled, unless prior arrangements are made with the course faculty. For emergency situations, students are to contact faculty as soon as possible. **If unable to contact faculty, call Student Services office (353-4827) and leave a message regarding the reason for absence.** It is the student's responsibility to reach faculty as soon as possible following the examination. When warranted, arrangements to take an alternate examination will be made at that time.. Health provider's statements may be required. Questions regarding examination grades must be put forward within two weeks of the exam date.

F. **Communication:**

Section faculty can be contacted most directly by e-mail or through individual office phone (see page one). Send all electronic communication to faculty through **Outlook only**. If necessary, appointments may be made individually with faculty to discuss specific concerns. **Questions regarding specific content are to be directed to appropriate faculty listed on course calendar.** Information, assignments and announcements will be posted electronically on the MSU Angel site for NUR110. **Angel will not be used for communication with faculty.**

G. **Student Faculty Relationship:**

Any concerns or issues that arise should be discussed with lead faculty as soon as possible. They can be reached via e-mail or phone listed on first page of syllabus. It is expected that a professional, courteous, positive demeanor will be exhibited to peers, faculty and College of Nursing staff with each encounter. It is expected that you will be on time to class. If for some reason you have to be late or leave early, the course chair should be notified and plans will be made so you will not disturb the entire class., **Talking, reading the newspaper, cell phone use, and sleeping are unacceptable, and you will asked to leave the room.** I pods, earphones of any type, recording devices and laptops are **NOT** permitted in class. Cell phones are to be turned off.

Faculty are open to feedback, ideas, and concerns. For in-depth discussions, scheduled meeting is suggested. See contact information for email access.

Academic Integrity:

Academic Honesty: [Article 2.3.3](#) of the Academic Freedom Report states: "The student shares with the faculty the responsibility for maintaining the integrity of scholarship, grades, and professional standards." In addition, the College of Nursing adheres to the policies on academic honesty specified in General Student Regulation 1.0, *Protection of Scholarship and Grades*; the all-University Policy on *Integrity of Scholarship and Grades*; and Ordinance 17.00, Examinations. (See [Spartan Life: Student Handbook and Resource Guide](#) and/or the MSU Web site www.msu.edu.)

Therefore, unless authorized by your instructor, you are expected to complete all course assignments, including homework, lab work, quizzes, tests and exams, without assistance from any source. You are expected to develop original work for this course; therefore, you may not submit course work you completed for another course to satisfy the requirements for this course. Also, you are not authorized to use the www.allmsu.com Web site to complete any course work in this course. Students who violate MSU rules may receive a penalty grade, including but not limited to a failing grade on the assignment or in the course.

Please read each part of the following site to fully understand your responsibilities and the position of the University regarding:

- cheating,
- plagiarism,
- MSU regulations, ordinances and policies regarding academic honesty and integrity
- Academic integrity links
<http://www.msu.edu/unit/ombud/honestylinks.html>

Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated in the College of Nursing. Any student involved in academic dishonesty will be reported to the Office of Academic Affairs and the Office of Student Services in the College of Nursing and a grade of 0.0 may be issued for the course.

Lectures, quizzes and examinations must remain the property of the College of Nursing and must not be copied from the Internet for use with others. **Any quiz or exam should not be printed. Printing an exam or quiz will be considered academic dishonesty.** According to university policy, consequences for academic dishonesty may include failure of the course, expulsion from the major, or expulsion from the university. You are advised to complete and submit your own work. The exams are NOT group projects and must not be shared with other students in any way.

Online discussions and other course activities are confidential and should not be shared or discussed with others who are not enrolled in the class. The course provides an opportunity for each course participant to express his/her ideas and all are expected to do so. All ideas need to be respected in discussions and exercises. Any “group projects” (that are required) still require individual work as a minimal expectation, and individual work will be graded.

For further information you can access any of the following sites:

- International Studies and Programs
<http://www.msu.edu/international/index.html>

Disruptive Behavior: Article 2.3.5 of the [Academic Freedom Report](#) (AFR) for students at Michigan State University states: "The student's behavior in the classroom shall be conducive to the teaching and learning process for all concerned." Article 2.3.10 of the AFR states that "The student has a right to scholarly relationships with faculty based on mutual trust and civility." [General Student Regulation 5.02](#) states: "No student shall . . . interfere with the functions and services of the University (for example, but not limited to, classes . . .) such that the function or service is obstructed or disrupted. Students whose conduct adversely affects the learning environment in this classroom may be subject to disciplinary action through the Student Faculty Judiciary process.

Attendance: Students whose names do not appear on the official class list for this course may not attend this class. Students who fail to attend the first four class sessions or class by the fifth day of the semester, whichever occurs first, may be dropped from the course. See the Ombudsman’s web site for a discussion of student observance of major religious holidays, student-athlete participation in athletic competition, student participation in university-approved field trips, medical excuses and a dean's drop for students who fail to attend class sessions at the beginning of the semester.

College of Nursing Policies: Professional Development Guidelines are found in the CON MSN Student Handbook at the CON website. Students are responsible for the information found in the CON MSN Student Handbook.