

NURSING Addendum to 2019-2020 Catalog

Nursing 120 +

Fundamentals of Nursing

8 units, 3.5 hours lecture, 13.5 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: Admission to the Registered Nursing Programs.

Corequisite: NURS 118 or equivalent.

Nursing 120 is the introductory nursing course. The focus is on the development of technical skills and related theory as a basis for further nursing coursework. Nursing theory addresses assessment of persons and their environment in determining their state of health. The focus is on adult patients throughout the lifespan. Nursing care planning is introduced. Course content includes the normal aging process, communication skills, basic physical assessment and the nursing process. Scientific principles are used to support the nursing diagnosis. Concurrent clinical experience is in acute settings. This is a required course for the Nursing Program.

Transfers to CSU

Nursing 130 +

Medical-Surgical Nursing I

5 units, 3 hours lecture, 6 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: Admission to the Registered Nursing Programs.

This course focuses on the biological, psychological, social, cultural and spiritual changes patients and their families experience before, during and after surgery. This course builds on previous coursework, utilizing the nursing process, therapeutic communication and critical thinking in meeting the surgical health care needs of adult individuals and families across the healthcare continuum. The focus is on adult patients throughout the lifespan. Emphasis is placed on genitourinary, orthopedic and gastrointestinal disorders requiring surgery. Concepts of evidence-based practice will be integrated throughout the course. Concurrent clinical experience in acute care settings, the operating room and post-anesthesia care units are designed to reinforce concepts learned and practiced during the course. This is a required course for the Nursing Program.

Transfers to CSU

Nursing 132 +

Obstetric and Pediatric Nursing

5 units, 3 hours lecture, 6 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: A "C" grade or higher in Nursing 120 or equivalent.

Building on the knowledge and skill of Nursing 120, the student learns about nursing care of obstetric and pediatric patient populations. Obstetric nursing addresses the physiologic and psychosocial changes women and their families experience during pre-conception, pregnancy, birth, and postpartum, as well as the impact of the childbearing cycle on the family, population health, and outcomes. Pediatric nursing addresses the nursing management of children with alternations in health, many of which result in chronic illnesses. Environmental factors such as physical, psychological, social, spiritual and cultural elements are discussed in the way they impact the pediatric and obstetric patients and their families. Refinement of critical thinking skills, clinical decision-making, and a focus on growth and development are emphasized. Concurrent clinical experience is in acute and ambulatory care settings. This is a required course for the Nursing Program.

Transfers to CSU

Nursing 220 +

Medical-Surgical Nursing II

5.5 units, 3 hours lecture, 7.5 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: A "C" grade or higher in Nursing 130 and 132 or equivalent.

This course addresses patient focused nursing care of individuals with alterations in body organ systems to include endocrine, renal, hepatobiliary, and immune diseases or disorders. The focus is on adult patients throughout the lifespan. The nurse considers the unique characteristics and abilities of the person, including the impact of the environment on the state of health and illness in the context of acute and chronic disorders, with a focus on the effects of aging on organ function. Concurrent clinical experience is in acute settings. This is a required course for the Nursing Program.

Transfers to CSU

Nursing 222 +

Psychiatric and Community Health Nursing

5.5 units, 3 hours lecture, 7.5 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: A "C" grade or higher in Nursing 130 and 132 or equivalent.

This course focuses on the nursing management of patients who have neurological illnesses and psychosocial and behavioral disorders. The focus is on nursing considerations regarding environmental factors such as physical, psychological, social, spiritual and cultural elements and the way they impact both hospitalized patients and those in the outpatient setting throughout the lifespan. Concurrent clinical experiences are in acute and outpatient settings, and day treatment centers. This is a required course for the Nursing Program.

Transfers to CSU

Nursing 230 +

Medical-Surgical Nursing III

6 units, 2.5 hours lecture, 10.5 hours laboratory

Prerequisite: *A "C" grade or higher in Nursing 220 and 222 or equivalent.*

This course focuses on the nursing theory and nursing management of adult patients across the lifespan with acute cardio-pulmonary and circulatory disorders, which are more complex than those studied previously. There is a strong emphasis on the application of critical thinking and clinical decision making in high acuity settings. The course also offers a campus laboratory designed to teach the students technical skills necessary to manage complex cardio-pulmonary patients. Tracheostomy care, ventilator management, hemodynamic monitoring, ECG interpretation, and other complex skills are presented. Concurrent clinical experience is in acute care and critical care settings. This is a required course for the Nursing Program.

Transfers to CSU