

EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 2003 CURRICULUM GUIDELINES

Α.	Division:	Instruction		Effective Date:			September 2003		
B.	Department / Program Area:	Psychiatric Nursing Dip	loma	Re	vision	X	New Course		
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C:	PNUR 244	D: Prac	ctice: O		Health Challenges	•	E: 3.5		
	Subject & Course No. Descrip			tive Tit	Title Semester Credits				
F:	Calendar Description: Students will have opportunities to integrate specialized knowledge and skills in caring for persons with ongoing health challenges in medical and psychiatric care settings. The professional psychiatric nursing role will continue to be developed and strengthened. Seminars assist to integrate concepts and issues related to the practice settings.								
G:	Allocation of Contact Hours to Type of Instruction		Н:	Course Prerequisites	:				
	/ Learning Settings Primary Methods of Instructional Delivery and/or Learning Settings:				PNUR 140, PNUR 144				
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	Seminar Clinical Experience				PNUR 240				
	Number of Contact Hours: (per week / semester for each descriptor)			J:	I: Course for which this Course is a Prerequisite				
	Seminar Clinical Experi		2.0 8.0	PNUR 340, PNUR 34					
	Number of Wee	eks per Semester:	15	K:	Maximum Class Size	e:			
					8				
L:	PLEASE INDI	CATE:	<u> </u>						
	Non-Credit								
	X College Credit Non-Transfer								
	College Credit Transfer:								
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M: Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

In this course the student will use the Psychiatric Nursing Curricular Threads (professionalism, health promotion, and caring), Concepts (crisis, comfort, hope, loss, power, resiliency, integrity) and Variables (psychosocial, physiological, cultural, spiritual, developmental) to integrate knowledge, skills and attitudes related to nursing theory, therapeutic relationships, caring practice and pharmacological interventions when caring for the person experiencing ongoing health challenges in a clinical setting. It is the intent of this course to build on previously learned knowledge and skills and to integrate nursing theory from the previous semester.

N: Course Content:

In this course, within the context of the Douglas College Psychiatric Nursing Department's caring philosophy and conceptual framework, students will continue to focus on developing the psychiatric nursing role and promoting health in clients with ongoing health challenges in a variety of medical and mental health care settings. Students will have opportunities to apply knowledge of psychiatric nursing concepts and skills and to establish nurse-client relationships within caring environments. Evidence based practice is integrated throughout five domains of practice. Specific domains of practice that will be addressed are:

- 1. Professional Domain
- 2. Health Domain
- 3. Therapeutic Relationships Domain
- 4. Clinical Judgment Domain
- 5. Collaborative Leadership

O: Methods of Instruction

In this course, students engage in a variety of learning activities. Learning activities occur in nursing practice settings, seminar, and self-study. Nursing practice experience provides students with opportunities to apply knowledge, and use skills related to psychiatric nursing within a holistic context. Critical reflection through journal writing, practice appraisal and participation in seminars will allow exploration and integration of nursing theory promoting self-directed learning.

P: Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students

A list of required and optional textbooks and materials is provided for students at the beginning of each semester.

O: Means of Assessment

Course evaluation is consistent with Douglas College and the Department of Psychiatric Nursing evaluation policies. An evaluation schedule is presented at the beginning of the course.

A clinical appraisal form is used that encompasses the five domains of nursing practice (health and healing, teaching/learning, clinical judgment, professional responsibility, collaborative leadership), competencies, and quality indicators. Quality indicators incorporate the minimal semester requirements and address what a student is expected to demonstrate by the end of each clinical experience. Nursing practice congruent with the quality indicators is an essential component of successful completion of this course.

This is a mastery course.

R: Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition: specify whether course is open for PLAR

Prior Learning will be assessed on an individual basis based on the Douglas College PLAR guidelines.

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