



**Ferris State University**  
**College of Health Professions**  
**School of Nursing**  
**Master of Science in Nursing Program**  
**NURS 711 Seminar – Clinical Practicum**  
**Preparation 1**

### Course Description

This course builds upon MSN core courses and the Institute of Medicine Core Competencies for health care professionals. Student will design a quality improvement project to be implemented and evaluated in NURS 791. Required project elements include a focus on patient-centered care, inter-professional teamwork, evidence-based practice, quality improvement strategies and information technology.

2 credits (2+0) 2 hours / week = 30 hours /semester Pre-requisite: Graduate Status, All core courses

### Course Outcomes

1. Discuss the primary steps in planning a quality improvement project. (Theoretical Base for Practice) Assessment method: Discussion
2. Select a quality improvement project focused on improving patient-centered care and interprofessional teamwork. (Health Care Environment, Collaborative Leadership) Assessment method: Discussion
3. Design a quality improvement project plan which is built upon evidence-based literature, relevant nursing databases, and quality improvement strategies. (Theoretical Base for Practice, Scholarship for Practice) Assessment method: Project Plan/Presentation
4. Integrate change theory and principles of change management into project plan (Collaborative Leadership) Assessment method: Project Plan/Presentation

### Instructional Delivery Method & Schedule

This is a fully online course.

### School of Nursing Grading Scale

A	95-100	C	75-78
A-	92-94	C-	72-74
B+	89-91	D+	69-71
B	85-88	D	65-68
B-	82-84	D-	62-64
C+	79-81	F	61 and below

## Course Learning Activities & Assessment Methods

Assignment	Course Outcome(s) Assessed (by #)	Percent of Total Grade	Due Date
Discussion Boards/Live Adobe feedback Session	1, 2	10% each for total of 40%	Over Semester
Project Plan/Presentation	1-4	30% + 30% = 60%	

**Course Policies** Students are referred to the College of Health Professions for standard academic policies established by Ferris State University: <http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/colleges/alliedhe/Policies.htm>

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