



Ferris State University
College of Health Professions
School of Nursing
Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program

Pre-licensure Track
NURS 370: Adult Health 1

Course Description

This course focuses on health alterations requiring medical or surgical intervention for the adult population. You will examine evidence for practice, collaboration among healthcare professionals, promotion of therapeutic relationships, and ethical decision making for safe, quality patient care.

Credit hours: 4 (4+0) 4 lecture hours / week = 60 hours /semester

Prerequisites: NURS 264, 360, 361, 362, & 363

Corequisites: NURS 371, 372 & 373

Course Outcomes

1. Design care interventions and therapeutic health strategies for adults founded on theory and knowledge from nursing and the liberal arts. (Theoretical Base for Practice)
Assessment Plan: Care Plan with Theory Foundation
2. Integrate nursing knowledge needed to care for clients with specific disease states. (GNP)
Assessment Plan: Selected Exam Questions
3. Assimilate current evidence for practice in nursing management of clients with specific disease states. (Scholarship for Practice)
Assessment Plan: Care Plan with Theory Foundation

Instructional Delivery Method & Schedule

This didactic course is offered in a mixed delivery format, meeting once a week for 2 hours and 50 minutes, with some course work also completed online.

Required Course Materials

Lewis, S., Bucher, L., Heitkemper, M., & Harding, M. (2017). *Medical surgical nursing: assessment and management of clinical problems* (10th ed.) St. Louis, MO: Elsevier.

Other Course materials:

All other textbooks required for prior nursing courses, including:

Grodner, M., Escott-Stup, S, and Dorner, S. (2016) *Nutritional foundations and clinical applications nursing approach* (6th ed). St. Louis, MO: Elsevier. ISBN: 978-0-323-24210-3

Course Learning Activities & Assessment Methods

Assignment	Course Outcome(s) Assessed	Percent of Total Grade	Due Date
Quizzes (IMQ)	2, 3	10%	
Exams (4)	2, 3	40%	
Comprehensive Final Exam	2, 3	30%	
Care Plan with Theory Foundation	1, 3	15%	
Proctored Kaplan Exam	2,3	5%	

A minimum grade of “C+” (79%) is required to progress to the next nursing 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

University and Program Policies

Students are referred to the College of Health Professions for standard academic policies established by Ferris State University. Please review the policies pertaining to: Academic misconduct, probation, and dismissal; disruptive behavior, and attendance.

<http://ferris.edu/HTMLS/colleges/alliedhe/faq/Policies-Resources-Faculty-Staff-Students.htm>

Students are referred to the *Handbook for Pre-Licensure Nursing Students* for academic policies established by the School of Nursing. Please review the policies covered in the General Information and Academic Policies for nursing sections.

<https://ferris.edu/HTMLS/colleges/alliedhe/Nursing/BSN/bsn-student-policies.htm>

Students are referred to the Code of Conduct:

<http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/colleges/alliedhe/Nursing/pdfs-docs/Nursing-Student-Code-of-Conduct.pdf>

NURS 370 Specific Course policies

Attendance

Ferris State University nursing students are expected to attend all classroom learning experiences. Absences and/or tardies from class may result in a lowered grade and thus may jeopardize one's progression in the program. An alternate learning experience may be assigned for absences at the discretion of the faculty member.

Class Structure--Student Centered Learning:

Preparation for class

You are expected to review the course materials for that week and read those sections in the text. You should be prepared to ask questions in class to further understand the information in the class content outline.

In class

I will review the content and answer any of your questions. You will work in study groups to critically think about a specific case study or in-class activity, and determine appropriate nursing actions. Class discussion will follow.

Blended delivery

The delivery of this course will adhere to a blended format. The online delivery may include Tegrity recorded lectures and PowerPoint's, discussion, and/or case studies. Preparation for and participation online will be critical to your success.

Late Papers/Assignments:

Papers and other assignments are due on or before their due dates. Grades for assignments will be reduced by 10 points per day, unless the due date has been renegotiated with me ahead of the due date. Papers will be submitted via a Blackboard ASSIGNMENT drop box.

Quizzes:

During this course, there will be weekly immediate mastery quizzes, each with 10 questions. These will address the specific week's content. **No make-ups will be permitted.**

Testing:

Quizzes and tests cover course content and assigned readings. Questions are NCLEX style multiple choice questions. This course adheres to the BSN Testing Policy. Thus, the student must earn an average score of 79% on the tests and final exam (without rounding) to pass this course. If the average testing score is less than 79% (without rounding) the course grade will be recorded as such; no assignment, quizzes, in-class participation, or extra credit points will be awarded.

If a student is absent for an exam, a make-up exam will be considered IF prior arrangements were made with the instructor (see accepted absence reasons outlined in the student handbook); a **26% grade reduction** may be applied prior to the beginning of a make-up exam.

Electronic unit and final exams will close immediately following student submission of the exam. Scores will not be available until the exam has been analyzed as outlined in the SON testing policy. Analysis may take up to three (3) days.

Test Taking Rules:

In an effort to prepare students for the NCLEX the following testing rules will apply (see <https://www.ncsbn.org/1213.htm>). All tests are the property of FSU SON and will be administered either on paper or electronically. Students may not leave their seats until all students have completed the exam, so please use the restroom prior to the test as you will not be allowed to continue taking the test if you leave your seat. Students may bring Kleenex if needed. All information sources (i.e. PDA's, texts, notes, calculators, cell phones, etc.) must be in a closed backpack/briefcase prior to taking a test/quiz. Backpacks, purses, baseball caps, and hats will be placed along the walls of the room. Hoods on sweatshirts must remain down. The only personal items allowed on your desks will be pens and/or pencils. You may not seek help from any other party in answering items (in person, by phone, text or e-mail) during your examination (including breaks). **No food allowed** while taking the exam. **Only drinks in clear containers** are allowed while taking the exam.

If any of the above is found in contact or in the immediate possession of the student it will be considered a cheating tool and the student will receive a zero on the exam and will fail the course. Students will be provided with a calculator.

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Kaplan Testing: Kaplan testing will serve the purpose of simulating NCLEX testing and has been integrated in NURS 370.

There is one proctored Kaplan exam as designated in the NURS 372 course schedule. The purpose of Kaplan examination is to expose the student to standardized NCLEX test questions and benchmark their preparedness for the NCLEX exam. Credit for Kaplan examination(s) is given in NURS 370 & 371. Failure to take the proctored exam will result in an incomplete for the course.

It is in your best interest to use Kaplan as preparation for the NCLEX exam.