



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

Pre-Licensure Track
NURS 472: Nursing Methods 5

Course Description

This course is a synthesis of the knowledge skills and attitudes acquired in previous coursework

2 Credits (4+0) = 60 hours/semester. Pre-requisites: NURS 460, 461, 462, 463.

Course Outcomes

1. Synthesize the knowledge, skills, and attitudes expected for entry level into practice. (Generalist)

Assessment Method: Portfolio

2. Synthesize the knowledge, skills, and attitudes in preparation to take the NCLEX-RN (Professionalism)

Assessment Method: Portfolio

Instructional Delivery Method & Schedule

This laboratory course is offered in a mixed delivery blended format with coursework also completed online.

Required Course Materials

- All textbooks from previous semesters
- Kaplan Online Resources

Course Learning Activities & Assessment Method

At various times throughout the semester, students will complete the following activities:

Assignment	Course Outcome(s) Assessed	Percent of Total Grade
NCLEX Review and Preparation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individualized Study Calendar (5%)• Study Logs (3% x 4 = 12%)• Focused Reviews A, B, & C & Remediation (5% x 3 = 15%)• Question Trainers 1-7 & Remediation (19%)• Test Reflections (3% x 3 = 9%)	1 & 2	60%
Portfolio	1 & 2	30%
Kaplan Readiness Test	1 & 2	10%

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 472 Specific Course Policies

Classroom etiquette

It is required that students actively participate in classroom discussions, group activities, and other learning opportunities. Students who text message, leave their cell phones on, participate in “side-bar” discussions, sleep, etc. disrupt the learning environment and may be asked to leave the class.

Attendance/Tardy Policy

Ferris State University nursing students are expected to attend all classroom learning experiences. Absences and/or tardiness 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.

Course Structure – Learner-Centered

The format of the class will require students to be active participants in the learning process. The following Learner-Centered Learning Premises (Doyle, 2008; Fink, 2003; Rogers, 1969; Weimer, 2002) support the learning process.

- Classrooms are safe and comfortable environments
- Teaching optimizes student learning
- Focus is less on the teacher and more on the learning process
- Students share control and take greater responsibility for their own learning; this empowers students learning

- Learning is relevant; experience and knowledge is valued, allowing expansion

Preparation for class

Each student is to review the course materials for the week. The student should be prepared to ask questions in class to further understand the information in the class content outline.

In class

The structure of face-to-face class will vary. The instructor role is to facilitate and support your preparation for the NCLEX. The instructor will review the content and answer any student questions. Critical thinking will be stimulated through Socratic questioning and small group activities.

Assignments

All assignments are due on or before the date indicated. Late assignments may be refused or receive a reduced grade by 10% per day late up to 5 days. The acceptance and terms of late assignments are at the discretion of the instructor. If assignments are missed, the student must initiate contact with the instructor.

Assignments will be submitted to the Assignment Dropbox in BlackBoard. There is an established protocol for naming assignments which must be followed. This protocol includes your last name, first initial, and the name given to the assignment by the instructor followed by the course number. Do NOT use any spaces. **For example, Smith, T.ReflectionPaperNURS261.**

Testing

Students will take 3 proctored Kaplan exams. Two exams will be formative and used for student development. The third exam is intended to determine student readiness for the NCLEX and will be graded. Students are expected to be present for all proctored exams.

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 leave their seats only to use the restroom, so please take care of personal necessities prior to the test. 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.