

COURSE OUTLINE

NURS-099

Transition into Nursing I

1 Semester Hour

HOWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Description

At the completion of this course the student will utilize major theoretical and clinical constructs required of a student in the Howard Community College Nursing Program. The course will focus on the framework of Responses to Stress and its application to written assignments, the approach to theory and to clinical functioning. Prerequisite: Acceptance into Nursing Program at a level higher than NURS-101.

Overall Course Objectives

At the completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Describe the curricular framework of Stress and Adaptation as used at Howard Community College Nursing Program.
2. Identify the five responses to Stress (according to HCC Nursing Curriculum), describe them and apply them to patient care in a clinical setting.
3. In relation to the theory elements of integrated curriculum, individualized study, and modules, define the concepts and rationale for use as well as being able to complete selected individualized packets.
4. Participate in clinical experiences in the following manner:
 - a. Describe expectations of the ADN.
 - b. Participate in pre and post conferences in relation to clinical objectives.
 - c. Complete each of the five aspects of care.
 - d. Complete a NCP using format and criteria of the Howard Community College Program.
5. Demonstrate retention of drug calculations by solving computation problems.

Major Topics

- I. Curricular Framework
 - Stress and Adaptation
 - Responses to Stress
- II. Theory Approaches
 - Integrated Curriculum
 - Individualized Study
 - Modules

- III. Clinical Applications
 - Purpose of Clinical
 - Graduate Expectations
 - Pre & Post-Conference
 - Aspects of Care
 - Laboratory Skills

Course Requirements

This course, offered over a three-week period preceding Fall and Spring semesters, will introduce the incoming student to typical operations of the nursing program.

Twelve theory hours will provide basic information relative to each of the components listed in the outline. Processes and formats used will be like those used in the program.

Clinical experiences will provide students with the opportunity to function in a manner similar to that expected in the program.

Attendance is required at all sessions.

Proof of CPR, Rubella and Rubeola Immunity and freedom from TB are required on the first day of class. Immunization for hepatitis B is highly recommended.

Liability insurance is required and health insurance recommended.

Assignments

You are expected to complete written assignments on time and in accord with the provided criteria. The grading policy is defined in the NURS-099 Course Syllabus. Grades will be based upon written papers, a final exam and completion of clinical assignment sheets.

Other Course Information

Academic honesty, as defined in the Student Handbook, is required of all students. In Nursing a C grade is required for passing. A grade of 73% is required in order to continue.

This course or NURS-103 is required of all students entering the Nursing Program with advanced standing.