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**NURSING 1950  
COURSE OUTLINE  
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**Nursing 1950 - Nursing Practice II \*6 (fi 12) (second term, 0-3s-24c in 7 weeks)**

Practice includes health status assessment of clients and appropriate health promotion and disease prevention interventions. Practice occurs in settings where clients live or in community agencies (non-acute) where services to clients are offered. Pre-requisites: NURS 190, NURS 191.

**COURSE HOURS:****Lecture/Seminar: 14****Lab/Clinical: 175****COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course will provide opportunities for students to participate in health promotion and primary (disease/injury) prevention activities with clients across the lifespan in selected community settings. Nursing practice will include selected assessment of individuals in the context of family and the assessment of their community, and opportunities to participate in activities of daily living with clients which will occur in various settings. Communication skills and establishing helping relationships will continue to be emphasized.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

Upon completion of Nursing 1950, the nursing student will be able to:

1. Applies, at a beginning level, principles of primary health care.
2. Explore with the client their pattern of dealing with ambiguity and diversity.
3. Identify ambiguity and diversity in practice settings.
4. Demonstrate professional behavior in nursing practice; respect, communication, responsibility, self-awareness
5. Demonstrate beginning application of legal and ethical standards in selected nursing situations; prepares for clinical practice, maintains confidentiality, uses informed consent, practices according to policies and procedures of clinical agencies.
6. Demonstrates establishment of helping relationships with clients; demonstrates respect, sensitivity and caring.
7. Demonstrate personal responsibility for learning; identify strategies to address strengths and weaknesses.
8. With guidance, examines research findings and describes the relevance of research to nursing practice
9. With guidance, applies a selected model/theory in nursing practice.
10. With guidance, applies beginning critical thinking strategies of insight, creative and reflective thinking, to examine health promotion and primary prevention activities.
11. Utilize selected areas of knowledge related to: bio-psycho-socio-cultural-spiritual factors in interacting with healthy individuals and families across the lifespan.
12. Develop cooperative relationships with colleagues, clients, community members, and community agencies; valuing.

13. Describe leadership and manager roles.
14. Demonstrate beginning ability in performance appraisal of self.
15. Differentiate between formal and informal power structures within the practice setting.
16. Demonstrate competence in selected skills required for nursing care of clients experiencing stable variations health.

### **REQUIRED TEXTS:**

Canadian Nurses Association. (1997). Code of ethics for nurses. Ottawa, ON: Author.

Lewis, S.M., Heitkemper, M.M., & Dirksen, S.R. (2000). Medical surgical nursing: Assessment and management of clinical problems (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). Philadelphia, PA: Lippincott.

Pilliteri, A. (2000). Maternal and child health nursing: Care of the childbearing and childrearing family (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). Philadelphia, PA: Lippincott.

Potter, P.A. and Perry, A.G. (1997). Canadian fundamentals of nursing. St. Louis, MO: Mosby.

Stewart, M.J. (2000). Community nursing: Promoting Canadian's health (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). Toronto, ON: W.B. Saunders.

Wilson, S.F. (2001). Health assessment for nursing practice, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. St. Louis, MO: Mosby.

Wright, L.M. and Leahey, M. (2000). Nurses and families: A guide to family assessment and intervention (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). Philadelphia, PA: F.A. Davis.

### **PROGRESSION CRITERIA:**

- A. Students must complete theory and practice components of nursing courses to receive credit. **Students who have not received a pass in the clinical/laboratory portion of a nursing course are not given credit for the course and must repeat both the clinical and non-clinical portions of the course. The clinical component must be completed for credit to be granted.**
- B. A student who is absent more than two clinical days in one clinical nursing course may need to make up lost time before being allowed to continue in the program. Absences from the clinical site may result in the instructor's being unable to evaluate the student's clinical performance, resulting in a grade of F.

- C. Whenever a student's clinical performance is considered marginal in a nursing course, the student's total academic and clinical performance in the program is reviewed at the end of each term and considered in determining continuation in the program.
- D. An instructor, in consultation with the Chair, may immediately deny assignment of a student; withdraw a student from; or vary terms, conditions or a site of a practicum/clinical placement, if the instructor has reasonable grounds to believe that this is necessary in order to protect the Public Interest.

### PROFESSIONAL DRESS:

Students are expected to abide by the dress code of the particular agency where their clinical experience is taking place. It is expected all students will wear a Grande Prairie Regional College name tag.

### LATE ASSIGNMENTS:

- All assignments and course evaluation strategies are required to be completed by the time and date specified in the course outline.
- Extensions of the time specified for submission may be granted in case of illness or extenuating circumstances. Extensions must be negotiated with the instructor prior to the required submission time and date.
- **A penalty will be imposed for all late assignments and course evaluation strategies. Five percent (5%) per class day will be deducted from the total value of the assignment for each class day the assignment is late.** For example, a scholarly paper, valued at 25% of the final grade, and handed in one class day late, will be valued at 23.75% of the final grade. Therefore, the instructor will assign the paper mark out of 23.75 and a perfect paper would attain a mark of 23.75 only.

### CLINICAL HOURS:

- Total clinical hours for this course is 175 hours plus 14 hours of seminar. Each clinical site has a somewhat different allocation of hours to total of 175. Your clinical tutor will provide an outline of the clinical hours required by each clinical site during the orientation to the course.
- There are also two (2) seminar hours scheduled each week for a total of 14 hours. The time, place, etc of these hours will vary with the clinical site and will be negotiated with the instructor during orientation.

**REQUIRED LEARNING EXPERIENCES AND EVALUATION:**

**In order to pass NURS 1950 students must demonstrate safe, ethical nursing practice, professional behavior and complete the following experiences.**

**NURSING PRACTICE:**

Nursing practice will take place in three types of settings, public health agencies, non-traditional community sites, and long-term care facilities. Over the course of Nursing 1910 (taken in the fall semester) and Nursing 1950 each student will have a nursing practice experience in each of these areas. Nursing practice experience in each area, accompanied by the appropriate laboratory learning experiences will total approximately 87.5 hours.

Nursing practice will be evaluated by means of the following:

- 1. Reflective Journal/Learning Plan/Field Notes:**                      **Value: Varies: See Table**
  - Students will develop a learning plan to explore personal learning objectives compatible with the experiences of this course to guide their nursing practice in NS 1950.
  - A Reflective Journal will be completed each week wherein students reflect upon their clinical experience and how it is effecting their efforts to address their learning goals.
  - Reflective Journals must indicate critical thinking and problem solving related to the experience and the learning plan.
  - Criteria and Marking Guide for the Learning Plan and Reflective Journal/Field Notes are outlined in Appendix A. These criteria were previously used in NS 1910.
  
- 2. Family/Home Visiting and Assessment:**                                      **Value: 20% of Final Grade**

**Family/Home visiting,** begun in NS1910, will continue during NS 1950. By **April 5, 2002** Nursing 1950 students will have made a total of 6-8 visits to a family, have completed and submitted their family assessment assignment and their complete Family/Home Visiting Journal, including the entries pertaining to all visits.

**Family Assessment:** By the completion of the Home Visiting experience students will complete a detailed assessment of their family, following the form provided during the Family Assessment Lab in NS 1940.

Marking criteria for evaluation of Family/Home Visiting is attached in Appendix B.

**3. Direct Clinical Observation: Value: Varies: See Table**

**A written summative evaluation of Nursing Practice will be completed by the student and the instructor at the end of each practice experience.**

This will be accomplished through observation assessment and evaluation of the student during clinical practice. Evaluations will be made by the instructor and will be supplemented with input from peers, the staff of an agency, and the client.

**A. Essential**

Over the seven weeks students will have a continuous experience in two community settings where clients live and/or in community agencies (non acute) where services to clients are offered. The experience will include:

1. Nursing practice with individuals across the lifespan, in the context of family.
2. Participating in home visits, demonstrating critical thinking in the use of the nursing process related to health promotion.
3. Participating in activities of a community agency in developing knowledge of agency, assessing clients, and engaging in health promotion activities.
4. Examining the role of a registered nurse.

*Students are expected to implement previously learned nursing skills.*

**The evaluation criteria and form are included in Appendix C.**

**4. Assignments: Value: Varies (See Table)**

- **Public Health:** Students will complete a **Community Assessment** using the Windshield Survey technique. There will be a Learning Lab related to this assignment. Criteria for this assignment are attached in Appendix D.
- **Non-Traditional Community Placement:** Students will complete a **Health Promotion Project**. There is a Learning Lab related to this assignment. Criteria will be provided during the Lab.

**VALUES FOR REQUIRED LEARNING EXPERIENCES AND ASSIGNMENTS**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>LEARNING EXPERIENCE</b>	<b>VALUE</b>
Non-traditional Community Agency	Health Promotion Project	10%
Non-traditional Community Agency	Reflective Journal/Learning Plan	15%
Non-traditional Community Agency	Direct Clinical Observation	15%
Public Health Unit	Community Assessment	10%
Public Health Unit	Reflective Journal/Learning Plan	15%
Public Health Unit	Direct Clinical Observation	15%
Long Term Care Facility	Learning Plan	20%
Long Term Facility	Direct Clinical Observation	20%

**LEARNING LABORATORY EXPERIENCES:**

**Public Health Settings:**

1. Community Assessment

**Non-Traditional Community Settings:**

1. Health Promotion and Client Education for Groups

**Long Term Care Settings:**

1. ADL (Activities of Daily Living), Nutrition (Feeding), Nurse Safety (Back Care)
2. Comfort and hygiene
3. Ambulation and transfers: aids for mobility (canes, walkers, lifts, wheelchairs), Assessment of ROM exercises and safety.
4. Environmental Precautions (emergency procedures, WHMIS)

**Fire Safety Lecture and Hands on Learning:** The time and place To Be Announced.

**NOTE:** Scheduling for these labs will be provided by your clinical tutor.