



**Population Health  
NURS 3617  
Fall 2023**

**Scheduled Class Days and Times: Thursday**

**Tyler 11:00am-1:45pm**

**Longview 9:00am-11:45am**

**Palestine 9:00am-11:45am**

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**Course Description:** This course focuses on professional nursing care of at-risk populations. Emphasis is on environmental and demographic factors that influence health. A variety of clinical experiences will be used to apply caring, evidence-based, professional nursing care for persons at risk for or living with chronic conditions.

**Prerequisites:** NURS 3605 and NURS 3309

#### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

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

1. Professionalism: Demonstrate professional and ethical behavior in a multidisciplinary learning environment. (BSN Essential VIII)
2. Patient-centered care: Plan compassionate, comprehensive nursing care that reflects preferences and values of diverse populations. (BSN Essential IX)
3. Evidence-based practice (EBP): Identify multidisciplinary evidence-based research to care for individuals, families, and populations. (BSN Essential III)
4. Informatics & Technology: Examine the importance and use of informatics and technology to analyze public health care delivery systems to improve population health outcomes. (BSN Essential IV)
5. Quality Improvement: Analyze impact of quality improvement initiatives in healthcare policy, finance, and regulatory environments. (BSN Essential II)
6. Teamwork and Collaboration: Use effective communication skills within multidisciplinary teams to empower the patient to achieve positive health outcomes. (BSN Essential VI)

7. Wellness and Prevention: Reflect on the impact of the social determinants of health on diverse populations. Identify benefits of health, wellness, and preventive interventions in health policy at local, national, and global level. (BSN Essential VII)
8. Leadership: Examine community-based activities to promote ethical reasoning, advocacy, collaboration, and social justice. (BSN Essential I)
9. Safety: Apply appropriate safety measures to reduce patient and community risks. (DECS C, BSN Essentials II)
10. Strengths: Determine how strengths (signature talent themes) influence the role of the student nurse and clinical decision-making.

### **Required Textbooks and Readings:**

ATI Engage will be utilized as the official textbook for the course.

Purchase ATI Products as outlined per course requirements.

### **Assignments and Weights/Percentage/Point Values**

1. Exams (3 at 20% each)	60%
2. Final Exam	20%
3. Custom Weekly Quizzes	10%
4. ATI	10%
5. Clinical Practicum	P/F
6. Professionalism	P/F

**Grading Scale:** Specific guidelines and grading criteria for all assignments are in the Modules. Final grades for the course will be determined based upon the following point assignments:

A - 90-100
B - 80-89
C - 75-79
D - 60-74
F - Below 60

Final course grades less than 75 are not rounded up.

The simple average of all exam grades, including a final, must first be at or above 75% in order to pass the course. Once the student has achieved a simple exam average of 75% or higher, course grades will be determined based on the weighted calculation of exams and other required course work.

**Grade Appeals:** Although the university policy allows 60 days for grade appeals, the School of Nursing follows a stricter timeline of 10 days to facilitate students' timely progression through the curriculum. In the case of extenuating circumstances, please consult the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs for guidance.

**Academic Integrity:** Cheating of any kind, as defined in Section 8 of the UT Tyler Manual of Policies and Procedures (MOPP) for Student Affairs (<https://www.uttyler.edu/mopp/>), will not be tolerated. Consequences may include:

- reprimand
- exam failure
- course failure
- expulsion from the Nursing program
- expulsion from the University
- other consequences as assigned

**Exam and homework materials, questions, and problems are the intellectual property of faculty, UT Tyler, or publishers.**

- These materials may not be distributed without permission.
- Distributing or uploading them to online resources destroys the integrity of the assignment and the course, allowing others an unfair advantage by letting them view the materials.
- Uploading these materials to online resources is a violation of UT Tyler's academic misconduct policies and may result in formal conduct charges.
- Sanctions for uploading or otherwise divulging the contents of these materials can include:
  - a reduced or failing grade on an assignment
  - a reduced or failing grade for the course
  - removal from the Nursing program
  - removal from UT Tyler

**Late Policy:** 5% will be deducted each day an assignment is past due unless prior arrangements have been made with your course faculty. Extenuating circumstances may apply.

**Repeating a Course:** Students repeating this course may not use previously submitted assignments nor utilize the same patients for an assignment. Submitting the same or slightly modified assignments from previous semesters is considered self-plagiarism and is subject to academic discipline, including failing the assignment or the course.

**Attendance and Make-up Policy:** Attendance/participation is expected. Make-up for exams, quizzes, assignments, and missed clinical time is at the instructor's discretion.

**Grade Replacement:** Students repeating a course for grade forgiveness (grade replacement) must file a Grade Replacement Contract with the Enrollment Services Center (ADM 230) on or before the Census Date of the semester in which the course will be repeated. Grade Replacement Contracts are available in the Enrollment Services Center or at <http://www.uttyler.edu/registrar>. Each semester's Census Date can be found on the Contract itself, on the Academic Calendar, or in the information pamphlets published each semester by the Office of the Registrar.

Failure to file a Grade Replacement Contract will result in both the original and repeated grade being used to calculate your overall grade point average. Undergraduates are eligible to exercise grade replacement for only three course repeats during their career at UT Tyler; graduates are eligible for two grade replacements. Full policy details are printed on each Grade Replacement Contract.

### **Graded Course Requirements Information:**

Unit Exams: Module I-III Exams covering course material will be given throughout the semester according to the course calendar. Additional information will be provided in class (60% of your grade).

Final Exam: A comprehensive final exam will be given during final exam week according to the course calendar. Additional information will be provided in class (20% of your grade).

Custom Weekly Quizzes: Includes eight custom quizzes that are due the day before live lecture weeks. Additional information will be provided in class (10% of your grade).

ATI: Includes two practice exams and one proctored exam to be administered on campus. Additional information will be provided in class (10% of your grade).

Professionalism: Includes attendance, communication, student forms, in class engagement, Netiquette, class norms, and other items as appropriate. Additional information will be provided in class (Professionalism is pass/fail).

Clinical Practicum: Includes individualized clinical placement for each student in congruence with meeting course objectives and student learning outcomes. Additional information and clinical placements will be provided in class (Clinical Practicum is pass/fail).

### **Important Course Dates:**

**Classes Begin:** 08/24/2023

**Census Date (withdraw without penalty):** 09/06/2023

**Last Date to Withdraw:** 11/04/2023 Please contact your advisor to discuss withdrawing from the course and notify your course instructor.

**Last day of class:** 12/04/2023

**Calendar of Topics, Readings, and Due Dates:**

NURSING 3617 POPULATION HEALTH			
Class Meets on Thursdays – Exams will be held in the Nursing Computer Lab Textbook can be found in ATI under “Engage Community and Public Health RN” Quizzes and ATI assessments are due by 1159pm			
WEEK	MODULE	TOPIC	QUIZZES & ASSIGNMENTS
1 08.28.23	I	<b>Foundations of Community and Public Health Nursing (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 1. Introduction to Community, Population, Public, and Global Health 2. Historical Influences on Community and Public Health Nursing 3. Principles in Community and Public Health Nursing	Custom Quiz #1 due 08.30.23
2 09.04.23	I	<b>CLASS MEETING on 09.07.23</b>  <b>Drivers of Health (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 4. Individual Influences 5. Social Influences	Custom Quiz #2 due 09.06.23 Student Forms due 09.06.23
<b>CENSUS DATE 09.06.23</b>			
3 09.11.23	I	<b>CLASS MEETING on 09.14.23</b>  <b>Drivers of Health (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 6. Economic Influences 7. Environmental Influences	Custom Quiz #3 due 09.13.23
4 09.18.23	Module I EXAM	<b>Exam I on 09.21.23 ON CAMPUS</b>	EXAM DURING LECTURE TIME
5 09.25.23	Module II	<b>CLASS MEETING on 09.28.23</b>  <b>Using the Evidence (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 8. Evidence-Based Practice 9. Epidemiology	Custom Quiz #5 due 09.27.23
6 10.02.23	II	<b>CLASS MEETING on 10.05.23</b>  <b>Using the Evidence (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 10. Prevention and Control of Diseases and Illnesses  <b>Improving the Community’s Health (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 11. Community Program Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation	<b>ATI Community Health PRACTICE Assessment Opens 10.05.23</b> Custom Quiz #6 due 10.04.23
7 10.09.23	II	<b>CLASS MEETING on 10.12.23</b>  <b>Improving the Community’s Health (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 12. Health Education 13. Emergency Preparedness and Management	<b>MIDTERM COURSE EVALUATION OPEN 10.12.23</b> <b>ATI Community Health PRACTICE Assessment Closes 10.12.23</b> Custom Quiz #7 due 10.11.23
8 10.16.23	Module II EXAM	<b>CAREER SUCCESS CONFERENCE BEING HELD ON 10.19.23 – NO CLASS!</b> <b>Exam II held on FRIDAY, 10.20.23 – ON CAMPUS</b>	<b>EXAM HELD ON FRIDAY DUE TO CAREER SUCCESS CONFERENCE</b> <b>MIDTERM COURSE EVALUATION DUE 10.20.23 by MIDNIGHT</b>
9 10.23.23	Module III	<b>CLASS MEETING on 10.26.23</b>  <b>Individual and Family Well-Being (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 14. Family 15. Children 16. Adults	<b>ATI Community Health PRACTICE Assessment Opens 10.26.23</b> Custom Quiz #9 due 10.25.23
10 10.30.23	III	<b>CLASS MEETING on 11.02.23</b>  <b>Populations at Risk for Disruptions in Well-Being (ENGAGE ATI)</b> 17. At-Risk and Vulnerable Populations and Related Effects on Health 18. Violence and Abuse	<b>ATI Community Health PRACTICE Assessment Closes 11.02.23</b> Custom Quiz #10 due 11.01.23
<b>LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW 11.04.23</b>			
11 11.06.23	Module III EXAM	<b>Exam III on 11.09.23 - ON CAMPUS</b>	EXAM DURING LECTURE TIME
12 11.13.23	ATI EXAM	<b>Proctored ATI Exam on 11.16.23 – ON CAMPUS</b>	EXAM DURING LECTURE TIME
13 11.27.23	ATI EXAM	<b>ATI RE-TAKE EXAM on 11.30.23 – ON CAMPUS</b> <b>CLASS MEETING on 11.30.23</b> Concept Review/Guest Speakers/Course Discussion	<b>ATI RE-TAKE EXAM</b> <b>LECTURE WILL BE HELD THIS WEEK</b>
14 12.04.23	Comprehensive Final Exam	<b>FINAL EXAM at 0800 on 12.04.23 – ON CAMPUS</b>	

### **UT Tyler School of Nursing Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Statement**

The University of Texas at Tyler School of Nursing aspires to create, foster, and sustain a culture of justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion irrespective of one's identity. We value and embrace all backgrounds, experiences, and identities, realizing that no one group, person or perspective has all the answers. We are richer when our individual skills, knowledge, experiences, cultures, backgrounds, and identities are combined in an accepting community. We strive to ensure that every individual gets a fair and equal chance to participate and thrive in a nurturing environment where all feel a sense of belonging. We are committed to intentionally and deliberately creating a diverse community that instills a sense of equitable justice and belonging for everyone affiliated with our school.

**School of Nursing Policies and Additional Information can be found at the website below.**

[https://www.uttyler.edu/nursing/college/student\\_guide\\_and\\_policies.php](https://www.uttyler.edu/nursing/college/student_guide_and_policies.php)

**Student Resources and University Policies and Information are provided in Canvas.**