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NURS 4501

Community Health

FACULTY

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Course Description

This course introduces concepts of community health utilizing the population focused nursing process. Emphasis is on health promotion, risk reduction, and disease management in selected community settings.

Course Learning Objectives

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

1. Integrate principles of public health science at local, national, and global levels.
2. Demonstrate ability to coordinate and plan quality nursing interventions for communities based on population focused nursing process.
3. Synthesize research findings from multiple disciplines to facilitate and evaluate evidenced-based practice in the community.
4. Utilize technology to analyze public healthcare delivery systems to improve population health outcomes.
5. Discuss basic knowledge of healthcare policy, finance, and regulatory environments that affect the health of diverse populations.
6. Plan comprehensive nursing care that reflects human caring for diverse populations through multidisciplinary collaborations
7. Differentiate the levels of prevention to improve health outcomes of diverse populations
8. Identify historical and ethical values of community health nursing.

Grading Policy and Criteria

Students will have course grades calculated based on the weighted calculation of exams and other required course work. The weighted calculation must be 75% or above to pass the course.

Every effort will be made to respond quickly to your emails. Generally speaking, emails are checked several times a day during the week and less frequently on the weekend. When you send an email, you can expect a response within 24 hours during the week and 48 hours on the weekend (excluding holidays).

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. No extension will be allowed on quizzes unless prior arrangements have been made with your lecture instructor.

Level 4 courses: Students will have course grades calculated based on the weighted calculation of exams and other required course work. The total weighted calculation must be 75% or above to pass the course.

Attendance and Make-up Policy

Attendance clinical experiences is mandatory and a professional expectation that will be monitored by course faculty. Refer to the university catalog for the policy regarding student attendance and possible student consequences.

Professional behaviors (verbal & nonverbal communication, dress & appearance, cultural sensitivity, etc.) are expected at all times during the school of nursing experience.

If an absence is unavoidable, the student must notify the clinical agency personnel and the clinical faculty before the scheduled clinical time. If the student will be late, the student must notify the agency.

When an explanatory message is left with the receptionist, please leave a number where the student may be contacted. Make up for missed clinical time will be arranged at the discretion of the instructor.

Course Grade Calculation:	Percentage of Grade:
Quizzes (6 total)	35%
Comprehensive Final Quiz	25%
PSA Project	10%
PFNP Project	10%
Weekly Activities	10%
Pharmacology & Community Health ATI	5%
Professionalism	5%
TOTAL	100%
Final Course Grades Assigned According to Scale Below: (an average of 74.5-74.9 will not be rounded to a 75)	Letter Grade:
90-100	A
80-89	B
75-79	C
60-74	D
60 and below	F

Required Textbooks/Materials

- NURS 4501 Course Syllabus.
- Stanhope, M., & Lancaster, J. (2018) Foundations for Population Health in Community/Public Health Nursing. 5th Edition. St. Louis: Mosby. ISBN: 978-0323-44-3838
- Sentinel City 3.0 Community Health Simulation Software: further details will be given at a later date.

Important Course Dates:

Note: The complete course schedule is available in the Course Canvas site.

Census Date: 01.27.2020

Final: Monday 04.20.2020 @ 0900 in computer lab

Last Date to Withdraw: 03.30.2020

School of Nursing Policies and Additional Information

- **Student Guide (updated 8/2019)**

<https://www.utt Tyler.edu/nursing/college/documents/2019-20SchoolofNursingStudentGuide.pdf>

- **Policies**

https://www.utt Tyler.edu/nursing/college/student_guide_and_policies.php

University Policies and Additional Information (updated 1/2018)

The following course policies may be found at the website listed below: absence for religious observance, absence for university-supported trips, services to students with disabilities, grade replacement, state-mandated course drop policy, and Social Security and privacy.

<http://www.uttyler.edu/academicaffairs/files/syllabuspolicy.pdf>

Students Rights and Responsibilities

To know and understand the policies that affect your rights and responsibilities as a student at UT Tyler, please follow this link: <http://www.uttyler.edu/wellness/rightsresponsibilities.php>

Campus Carry

We respect the right and privacy of students 21 and over who are duly licensed to carry concealed weapons in this class. License holders are expected to behave responsibly and keep a handgun secure and concealed. More information is available at <http://www.uttyler.edu/about/campus-carry/index.php>

UT Tyler a Tobacco-Free University

All forms of tobacco will not be permitted on the UT Tyler main campus, branch campuses, and any property owned by UT Tyler. This applies to all members of the University community, including students, faculty, staff, University affiliates, contractors, and visitors.

Forms of tobacco not permitted include cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookah), bidis, kreteks, electronic cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, and all other tobacco products.

There are several cessation programs available to students looking to quit smoking, including counseling, quit-lines, and group support. For more information on cessation programs please visit www.uttyler.edu/tobacco-free.

UT Tyler Honor Code

Every member of the UT Tyler community joins together to embrace: Honor and integrity that will not allow me to lie, cheat, or steal, nor to accept the actions of those who do.

State-Mandated Course Drop Policy

Texas law prohibits a student who began college for the first time in Fall 2007 or thereafter from dropping more than six courses during their entire undergraduate career. This includes courses dropped at another 2-year or 4-year Texas public college or university. For purposes of this rule, a dropped course is any course that is dropped after the census date (See Academic Calendar for the specific date).

Exceptions to the 6-drop rule may be found in the catalog. Petitions for exemptions must be submitted to the Enrollment Services Center and must be accompanied by documentation of the extenuating circumstance. Please contact the Enrollment Services Center if you have any questions.

Grade Replacement/Forgiveness and Census Date Policies

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. (For Fall 2018, the Census Date is Monday, September 10, 2018.) 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.

The Census Date (Monday, September 10, 2018) is the deadline for many forms and enrollment actions of which students need to be aware. These include:

- Submitting Grade Replacement Contracts, Transient Forms, requests to withhold directory information, approvals for taking courses as Audit, Pass/Fail or Credit/No Credit.
- Receiving 100% refunds for partial withdrawals. (There is no refund for these after the Census Date).
- Schedule adjustments (section changes, adding a new class, dropping without a "W" grade)
- Being reinstated or re-enrolled in classes after being dropped for non-payment.
- Completing the process for tuition exemptions or waivers through Financial Aid.

Social Security and FERPA Statement

It is the policy of The University of Texas at Tyler to protect the confidential nature of social security numbers. The University has changed its computer programming so that all students have an identification number. The electronic transmission of grades (e.g., via e-mail) risks violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; grades will not be transmitted electronically.

Disability/Accessibility Services

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the ADA Amendments Act (ADAAA) the University of Tyler at Texas offers accommodations to students with learning, physical and/or psychological disabilities. If you have a disability, including non-visible a diagnosis such as a learning disorder, chronic illness, TBI, PTSD, ADHD, or you have a history of modifications or accommodations in a previous educational environment, you are encouraged to visit <https://hood.accessiblelearning.com/UTTyler> and fill out the New Student application. The **Student Accessibility and Resources (SAR)** office will contact you when your application has been submitted and an appointment with Cynthia Lowery, Assistant Director Student Services/ADA Coordinator. For more information, including filling out an application for services, please visit the SAR webpage at <http://www.uttyler.edu/disabilityservices>, the SAR office located in the University Center, # 3150 or call 903.566.7079.

Student Absence due to Religious Observance

Students who anticipate being absent from class due to a religious observance are requested to inform the instructor of such absences by the second-class meeting of the semester.

Student Absence for University-Sponsored Events and Activities

If you intend to be absent for a university-sponsored event or activity, you (or the event sponsor) must notify the instructor at least two weeks prior to the date of the planned absence. At that time the instructor will set a date and time when make-up assignments will be completed.

Student Standards of Academic Conduct

Disciplinary proceedings may be initiated against any student who engages in scholastic dishonesty, including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts.

- i. "Cheating" includes, but is not limited to:
 - copying from another student's test paper;
 - using, during a test, materials not authorized by the person giving the test;
 - failure to comply with instructions given by the person administering the test;
 - possession during a test of materials which are not authorized by the person giving the test, such as class notes or specifically designed "crib notes". The presence of textbooks constitutes a violation if they have been specifically prohibited by the person administering the test;
 - using, buying, stealing, transporting, or soliciting in whole or part the contents of an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program;
 - collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test or other assignment without authority;
 - discussing the contents of an examination with another student who will take the examination;
 - divulging the contents of an examination, for the purpose of preserving questions for use by another, when the instructor has designated that the examination is not to be removed from the examination room or not to be returned or to be kept by the student;
 - substituting for another person, or permitting another person to substitute for oneself to take a course, a test, or any course-related assignment;
 - paying or offering money or other valuable thing to, or coercing another person to obtain an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program or information about an unadministered test, test key, home solution or computer program;
 - falsifying research data, laboratory reports, and/or other academic work offered for credit;
 - taking, keeping, misplacing, or damaging the property of The University of Texas at Tyler, or of another, if the student knows or reasonably should know that an unfair academic advantage would be gained by such conduct; and
 - misrepresenting facts, including providing false grades or resumes, for the purpose of obtaining an academic or financial benefit or injuring another student academically or financially

- ii. "Plagiarism" includes, but is not limited to, the appropriation, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means another's work and the submission of it as one's own academic work offered for credit.
- iii. "Collusion" includes, but is not limited to, the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing academic assignments offered for credit or collaboration with another person to commit a violation of any section of the rules on scholastic dishonesty.
- iv. All written work that is submitted will be subject to review by plagiarism software.

Emergency Exits and Evacuation

Everyone is required to exit the building when a fire alarm goes off. Follow your instructor's directions regarding the appropriate exit. If you require assistance during an evacuation, inform your instructor in the first week of class. Do not re-enter the building unless given permission by University Police, Fire department, or Fire Prevention Services.

UT Tyler Resources for Students

- [UT Tyler Writing Center](http://writingcenter@uttyler.edu) (903.565.5995), writingcenter@uttyler.edu
- [UT Tyler Tutoring Center](http://tutoring@uttyler.edu) (903.565.5964), tutoring@uttyler.edu
- [The Mathematics Learning Center](#), RBN 4021, this is the open access computer lab for math students, with tutors on duty to assist students who are enrolled in early-career courses.
- [UT Tyler Counseling Center](#) (903.566.7254)
- [UT Tyler Muntz Library](#) (903 566-7343), Library Liaison for Nursing, Suzanne Abbey (903.566.7165) email: sabbey@uttyler.edu