NURSING (NURS)

NURS 600 Science Of Health Promotion (3 Credits)
This course prepares the nurse to focus on population health and application of the principals of primary healthcare, the strategies of health promotion and epidemiology concepts when nursing individuals, families, communities and populations. Professional, legal/ethical, economic, cultural and environmental issues as they apply to health promotion are examined.

NURS 601 Theory Development in Advanced Practice Nursing Science (3 Credits)
This course explores the historical development of nursing knowledge, nursing theory and philosophical underpinnings in the arenas of evidence based practice, education, administration, and research. Nursing theories are explored for content, utility, and testability. Concept development is explored in the context of theory generation. Future directions for nursing theory development are investigated.

NURS 609 Healthcare Delivery Systems and Social Policy (3 Credits)
This course emphasizes health policy as it relates to healthcare delivery and nursing practice in the US healthcare system. The student will analyze health policy development, implementation and influence on health outcomes and the nursing profession. The role of the advance practice nurse in health policy will be evaluated.

NURS 610 Research Methodology (3 Credits)
This course will prepare the graduate nursing student to be proficient in: research as essential to the role of the advanced practice nurse, apply research concepts by conducting rigorous critiques and synthesizing data to generate nursing evidence and demonstrate proficiency in the development of a research proposal.

NURS 614 Role of the School Nurse I: Care Coordination (3 Credits)
This course prepares nurses to provide and coordinate care for well children and children with chronic and acute health conditions in the school setting. Emphasis is on management of school health services. Standards of professional practice and state regulations related to the provision of school health services are examined.

NURS 616 Role of the School Nurse II: Reducing Barriers to Health & Learning (3 Credits)
This course prepares nurses to coordinate care for students with mental and behavioral health concerns, and those with medically complex and medically fragile health conditions. Emphasis is on the application of evidence based strategies in the reduction of adolescent high risk behaviors, and other barriers to health and academic success.

NURS 620 Measurement and Evaluation Methods (3 Credits)
This course prepares students to apply assessment and measurement techniques in testing and evaluation. The quality of assessment and measurement instruments, test creation, and the reliability and validity of instruments will be applied to the respective educational setting. The selection, interpretation and application of standardized testing will be presented.

NURS 621 Curriculum, Design, Development and Evaluation in Nursing Education (3 Credits)
This course encompasses the theoretical and philosophical foundations for curriculum design, development, and evaluation in professional nursing education. Historical, contemporary and emerging curricular models are addressed. The role of the nurse educator in curricular development and evaluation process is reviewed. Evaluation and accreditation of nursing education is explored.

NURS 622 Curriculum Design, Development & Evaluation in School Health Education (3 Credits)
This course covers development of health education curriculum inclusive of instructional design methodologies, pedagogical approaches, learning objectives, assessment and evaluation for all levels of education, (K-12). Contemporary health and learning theories are examined. A skills-based approach is used in the application of state and national standards to formal instruction.

NURS 625 Pedagogical Teaching and Learning Strategies in Nurse Education (3 Credits)
This course focuses on teaching and learning strategies in nursing education. Diverse pedagogical strategies are explored inclusive of conventional strategies and emergent andragogical models reflective of critical, feminist, phenomenological and postmodern approaches to the teaching of nursing knowledge and practice. Learning theories reflective of the multicultural, diverse learner are reviewed.

NURS 630 Advanced Pathopharmacology (4 Credits)
This course focuses on pathophysiology of common health conditions affecting human beings across the lifespan. The pathophysiologic bases and pharmacotherapeutic agents utilized in the treatment of common health conditions and associated clinical manifestations will be analyzed to formulate individualized plans of care for patients and families.

NURS 642 Advanced Health Assessment (3 Credits)
This course builds upon undergraduate health assessment knowledge and skills to provide competencies need for the Advanced Practice Nurse. The Advanced Practice Nurse is expected to synthesize data collected and interpret findings to establish evidence based interventions to meet patient and family needs.

NURS 650 Concepts in Clinical Education (3 Credits)
This course focuses on the role of the Academic Nurse Educator in the clinical education of pre-licensure nursing students. Emphasis will be on best practices in clinical education to promote active learning in diverse students in the laboratory and clinical settings.

NURS 657 Nurse Educator Practicum I (3 Credits)
This course examines the role the nurse educator. Precepted clinical experiences provide advanced direct care role development and education experiences in undergraduate academic and/or clinical settings. Completion of 120 hours are required in an educational arena; with an additional 30 hours for direct care role development through advanced practice nursing care.  
Pre-Requisite(s): All Graduate Nursing Courses with the exception of NURS 620,671, and 679.

NURS 671 Nurse Educator Practicum II (3 Credits)
This course expands the role of the nurse educator and direct care roles examined in Nurse Educator Practicum I. 120 Clinical hours are required in an educational arena; with an additional 30 hours for direct care role development. Population health and education experiences in academic and/or clinical settings are provided.
Pre-Requisite(s): All Graduate Courses except NURS 679

NURS 672 School Nurse Practicum I (3 Credits)
This course examines the role of the school nurse. Precepted clinical experiences are faculty supervised and evaluated, and provide advanced direct care role development in the school setting. Completion of 120 hours are required in a school setting, with an additional 30 hours for direct care role development.
NURS 673 School Nurse Practicum II (3 Credits)
This course will focus on application of knowledge and skills related to the school nurse as health educator. Precepted clinical experiences provide advanced direct care role development in the school setting. Candidates complete 120 hours in a school setting with an additional 30 hours for direct care role development.

NURS 679 Capstone: Program Evaluation (3 Credits)
The capstone course will integrate all aspects of the Masters in Nursing program by focusing on program evaluation. Students will utilize competencies developed in the graduate program to focus on the comprehensive process of program evaluation from assessment to evaluation of various education programs.