

**Hagerstown Community College
Master Syllabus**

Course: NUR 224: Pharmacology for Nursing Practice

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INSTRUCTOR(S):

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This is a hybrid course that provides information on a variety of drugs that students need to know in order to administer drugs safely. Major drug categories associated with body systems will be reviewed. Students will learn about drug pharmacokinetics, dosage, preparation, administration and interactions. Particular emphasis will be on the use of the nursing process when providing care to patients receiving medications. A grade of 75% or above must be achieved on all exams and a 75% or above must be attained on all course requirements. Prerequisites: NUR 116 and NUR 117 or completion of NUR 116-117 challenge exam for transition students, BIO 205 or concurrent enrollment. 2 Credits

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:

- McCuiston, L.E., Vuljoin-Dimaggio, K., Winton, M.B., & Yeager, J.J. (2018). Pharmacology: A patient-centered nursing approach. (9th ed). Philadelphia: Saunders. ISBN: 978-0-323 -39916-6
- ATI Education, (2013). Content mastery series: Review module: RN pharmacology for , nursing: Edition 7.0.

Strongly Recommended

2017 Med Charts- Card with top 200 Drugs and their black box warnings.

End of Program Student Learning Outcomes:

1. Utilize critical thinking in application of the nursing process to provide care for individuals in a variety of settings that promotes health throughout the lifespan.(1-3)
2. Adhere to quality of care and safety standards in both acute and community based environments. (1-4)
3. Facilitate the continuity of care for individuals in various acute and community settings.(1-6)
4. Practice within the ethical and legal framework of the nursing profession and maintain professional standards of conduct.(1-5)
5. Provide compassionate care and serve as advocates for individuals and families, respecting their diverse cultures, values, and belief systems.(1 & 4)
6. Employ written and therapeutic communication skills.(3, & 4)
7. Collaborate with the individual, family, and interdisciplinary health professionals to promote, maintain, or restore health, and comfort the dying.(1-6)
8. Exercise leadership skills in the management of care.(2-4)

Course Outcomes:

- Incorporate the nursing process to establish a plan of care for clients and their families in acute care settings. (1-4)
- Demonstrate safe practice and correct application of acquired skills in lab and clinical settings. (1-5)
- Plan care for clients from admission to discharge in acute and community settings across the healthcare continuum.(1-6)

- Integrate ethical, legal, and professional standards when providing care to adult clients and their families. (1 &4)
- Integrate nursing care, which demonstrates knowledge of culture and belief system when providing care to clients in the acute care setting. (1 & 4)
- Utilize effective verbal and written communication skills to promote therapeutic interactions between client and caregiver in an acute care setting.(3 & 4)
- Collaborate on a plan with the healthcare team that assists individuals and families to positively adapt to changes in health or achieve a peaceful death.(1-6)
- Demonstrate personal leadership styles that contribute to effective patient care management. (2-4)

QSEN Competencies

1. Patient Centered Care
2. Teamwork & Collaboration
3. Evidence-based Practice
4. Quality Improvements
5. Safety
6. Informatics

Total Hours of Coursework:

To earn one academic credit at HCC, students are required to complete a minimum of 37.5 clock hours (45 fifty-minute “academic” hours) of coursework per semester. Those hours of coursework may be completed through a combination of hours within the classroom and hours outside the classroom. Certain courses may require more than the 37.5 minimum of hours of coursework per credit. For most classes, students should expect to do at least 2 hours of coursework outside of class for each hour of in-class or online course work.

Minimum clock hours required for this course.

Assignment/Assessment	Clock Hours	Explanation
In-class/online instruction	30	Lecture online/class
Exams	8	Exams
Assigned reading	70	Reading, studying, etc.- minimum
Homework	25	Take home assignments
Labs	1	Simulation and skill testing
ATI Assignments	15	Individual units corresponding with study and proctored exam.
Total hours	145	

Services for Student with Disabilities: Students may receive reasonable accommodations if they have a diagnosed disability and present appropriate documentation. Students seeking accommodations are required to contact the Disability Support Services (DSS) office as early as possible. Students may contact a DSS staff member for an appointment at dss@hagerstowncc.edu or at 240-500-2530.