Mississippi College School of Nursing NUR344 - Clinical Practice I

Course: NUR 344, Clinical Practice I

Credit: 4 semester hours (180 contact hours)

Placement in curriculum: Semester I

Prerequisite: Co- or prerequisite of NUR345 and NUR353

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Catalog Description: Focuses on the utilization of the nursing process in promoting an optimal level of health for individuals and families.

Course Description: In this course the student develops fundamental skills necessary for the practice of professional nursing. The clinical experiences will focus on the application of concepts, processes, and skills with individuals and families experiencing minimal and/or common alterations in human functioning in structured health care settings. Emphasis is placed on use of the nursing process with clients across the lifespan.

Course Objectives:

At the completion of the course, the student will be expected to:

- 1. Provide care based on current knowledge, theory, and research.
- 2. Assume accountability and responsibility for practice.
- 3. Communicate effectively with other health care professionals.
- 4. Utilize principles of therapeutic communication with individuals.
- 5. Practice critical thinking by integrating knowledge from humanities, natural, behavioral, and computer sciences into nursing practice.
- 6. Utilize the nursing process within a structured setting with individual clients from diverse populations experiencing common, well defined, recurring alterations in health.
- 7. Perform health assessments on individual clients.
- 8. Utilize pharmacology and non-pharmacological therapies with individual clients.
- 9. Perform basic nursing skills competently with individual clients in structured settings.
- 10. Demonstrate Christian caring in provision of nursing care.
- 11. Utilize information technologies to enhance knowledge base, retrieve information to support nursing practice, and document nursing actions.

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		Weekly clinical preparation paperwork	
		Medication worksheet form	

Nursing care plan form Health Assessment form

Adult clinical grade sheet

Self-evaluation tool: Adult

D. Maternal child clinical overview [forms on moodle].....

Antepartal/Newborn:

Antepartal overview

Nursing care plans

Antepartal clinical grade sheet

Newborn overview

Newborn clinical worksheet form

Nursing care plans

Newborn assessment form

Newborn physical exam form

Newborn clinical grade sheet

Self- evaluation tool: Antepartal & Newborn

Pediatrics:

Daycare overview

Day care – Growth & Development part 1

Pediatrics overview

Growth & Development part 2

Nursing care plans

Pediatric clinical worksheet form

Pediatric clinic visit history& physical exam form

Pediatric clinical grade sheet

Self-evaluation tool: Pediatrics

Teaching strategies:

Lecture/Discussion, Lab practice, Videos, DVDs, Computer programs, Cyber journeys, Simulated learning, Journaling, Reflection, Group work, Clinical experiences

Evaluation Methods:

Process Recording, Nursing Care Plan, Health Assessment, Math Test, Clinical Experiences, Tests

Required: NUR 345 textbooks plus:

Curren, A., (2009). *Math for meds* (10th ed.). San Diego: W.I. Publications.

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Deglin, J.H. & Villerand, A.H. (2010). *Davis Drug Guide for Nurses* (12th ed.). Philadelphia: F.A. Davis.

Lynn, P. (2008). *Taylor's clinical nursing skills: A nursing process approach* (2nd ed.). Philadelphia: Wolters Kluwer/Lippincott, Williams, & Wilkins.

Venes, D. (Ed.) (2009). Taber's medical dictionary (21st ed.). Philadelphia: F.A. Davis.