



PELLISSIPPI STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Department of Nursing

NURSING COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Course Progression

NURS 1150	Fundamentals of Nursing	Fall Semester (1 st YR)
NURS 1160	Lifespan Nursing Care I	Spring Semester (1 st YR)
NURS 2150	Lifespan Nursing Care II	Fall Semester (2 nd YR)
NURS 2160	Lifespan Nursing Care III	Spring Semester (2 nd YR)
NURS 2170	Transition to Nursing Practice	Spring Semester (2 nd YR)

NURS 1150 Fundamentals of Nursing 9 credits

An introduction to the practice of nursing, with emphasis on meeting therapeutic nursing care of adults and children with physiological, psychosocial, and perioperative needs. Topics include an introduction to pharmacotherapeutics, and application of fundamental concepts and the beginning development of nursing competencies. The study and application of nursing skills necessary to meet patient needs across the lifespan are included in this course. 5 hours lecture and 12 hours clinical/ lab experience per week.

NURS 1160 Lifespan Nursing I 9 credits

The course focuses on the therapeutic nursing care and modalities in the care of adults and children with emphasis on cardiac, respiratory, and gastrointestinal/biliary systems. Based on the nursing process, this course focuses on health promotion in meeting patient needs in a variety of medical and surgical settings across the lifespan. 5 hours lecture and 12 hours clinical/lab experience per week.

NURS 2150 Lifespan Nursing Care II 9 credits

The course focuses on the therapeutic nursing care and modalities in the care of adults and children with emphasis on renal/urinary, men's health, musculoskeletal, integumentary, and endocrine systems. Based on the nursing process, this course focuses on care in a variety of medical and surgical settings, and alterations in behavior, thought, and mood, with emphasis on assessment, communication, care management, and clinical interventions. 5 hours lecture and 12 hours clinical/lab experience per week.

NURS 2160 Lifespan Nursing Care III 9 credits

The course focuses on the therapeutic nursing care and modalities in the care of adults and children with emphasis on neurological/neurosensory, multisystem organ failure, hematological/oncologic/immunological systems, and maternal/newborn/family-centered nursing. Based on the nursing process, this course further develops the competencies of family-centered assessment, communication, care management, and clinical interventions in care of patients across the lifespan. 5 hours lecture and 12 hours clinical/ lab experience per week.

NURS 2170 Transition to Nursing Practice 3 credits

The course focuses on the application of the nursing process to assist the student to assume the role of the registered nurse. Emphasis will be placed on the development of professional behaviors. Highlights from each area of nursing practice will be reviewed, including knowledge and application of nursing process appropriate to each stage of development, disease processes, and issues related to nursing practice. 3 hours lecture per week.