

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Nursing [XXX]

[OFFICIAL COURSE TITLE]

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[SEMESTER, YEAR]

Course Outline Policy

The faculty teaching this course may need to make changes to this course outline. If changes are necessary, students will be given adequate written notice.

**UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE
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GRADUATE PROGRAM
[SEMESTER/YEAR]**

COURSE NUMBER/TITLE:

FACULTY: (Name, rank, office number, email)

FACULTY TELEPHONE NUMBER (Home, Office, and Digital Pager)

FACULTY OFFICE HOURS:

DAY AND TIME OF CLASS:

DATES AND LOCATION OF CLASS:

TIME AND DAY/DATES OF CLINICAL (if applicable):

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

CREDIT HOURS:

A. Continuation Hours

CURRICULUM PLACEMENT:

PRE/CO-REQUISITES:

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Class attendance is expected and clinical attendance required. Please notify your instructor prior to your absence if you are unable to attend class. Please notify your clinical instructor/preceptor if you are unable to attend clinical.

Bad Weather Policy

The School of Nursing follows University guidelines. The provost is the only person in charge of class cancellation. When weather conditions are bad and uncertainty exists concerning conduction of class and/or clinical, **DO NOT PHONE THE SCHOOL OF NURSING**. Official announcements will be on the main U of L web site at www.louisville.edu, through the University Information Center at 852-5555, on radio station WHAS-840 AM, and the four network television affiliates (WHAS-TV, WAVE-TV, WLKY-TV, WDRB-TV). If the University cancels classes, no class or clinicals are held. Classes on a delayed schedule for bad weather will begin at 10:00 am. If the University is on a delayed schedule on the day a clinical session is scheduled, you must communicate with your clinical instructor (and preceptor as applicable) related to attendance at clinical.

CELLULAR PHONES AND PAGERS:

Cell phones and pagers must be either turned off or placed in silence/vibrate mode during class, clinical, and other learning experiences. If a student must respond to a call or page, she/he must leave the classroom before beginning the conversation.

COMPUTER ACCOUNT POLICY:

Students are required to have (1) a U of L computer account (GroupWise) and (2) access to Blackboard.

ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE:

The faculty view academic dishonesty, including plagiarism and cheating, to be a serious offense, which is a violation of professional ethics (Examples of academic dishonesty are provided within the Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities, which is located in the General Information section of the University of Louisville Graduate Catalog, and in the School of Nursing Graduate Handbook). If the School of Nursing determines that a student is guilty of academic dishonesty, it may impose any academic consequence upon the student that it sees fit, including suspension or expulsion from the School of Nursing. It is the student's responsibility to find out what is meant by academic dishonesty within the School of Nursing; a plea of ignorance is not acceptable as a defense.

WEB-ENHANCED OR WEB BASED (ONLINE) COURSE:

A student who is enrolled in an online course or a course where portions are taught online, must exhibit conduct that reflects academic discipline and honesty. The student is expected to complete all requirements of the course as stated in the syllabus and online directions. Participation in discussion forums should reflect the same respect and decorum that would be displayed in a classroom setting.

DISABILITY STATEMENT:

Students with disabilities, who need reasonable modifications to successfully complete assignments and otherwise satisfy course criteria, are encouraged to meet with the instructor as early as possible to identify and plan specific accommodations. If determined necessary, students will be directed to the Disability Resource Center. Any identified modification(s) deemed necessary must be documented in writing by the Disability Resource Center and provided to the School of Nursing. The Disability Resource Center must re-evaluate and provide documentation each semester.

STATEMENT OF HEALTH STATUS

It is the student's responsibility to inform the course faculty of any health problems that could impair performance or jeopardize the safety of self or others. The student must report any changes in health status to the HSC Student Health Services as soon as possible so that the School of Nursing Health Screening Form can be updated. Students who fail to comply with this requirement are subject to dismissal from the program.

RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

Faculty will make every reasonable effort to accommodate students whose religious observances of work restricted holidays conflict with class or clinical activities and assignments. Students are responsible for informing faculty in advance of the holiday.

GRADING SCALE:

The grading scale used in all graduate courses in the School of Nursing is:

98-100 = A+	89-87 = B+	79-77 = C+	69-67 = D+	Below 59 = F
97-93 = A	86-83 = B	76-73 = C	66-63 = D	
92-90 = A-	82-80 = B-	72-70 = C-	62-60 = D-	

University of Louisville's Definition of Quality Points:

A+ 4.0	B+ 3.3	C+ 2.3	D+ 1.3
A 4.0	B 3.0	C 2.0	D 1.0
A- 3.7	B- 2.7	C- 1.7	D- 0.7

(FOR CLINICAL COURSES:) In order to pass a clinical course, a student must obtain a grade of B- or higher in the didactic portion and a _____ in the clinical. Clinical evaluation is based on successful completion of ____ hours of clinical experiences. A total of ____ hours of clinical is required for completion of the _____ track. (Note: must maintain a cumulative GPA of ≥ 3.0 to remain in good standing)

CLINICAL EXPERIENCES (i.e.: settings, hours required, whether precepted or not, etc)

CLINICAL EXPECTATIONS/EVALUATION CRITERIA (as applicable)

TEACHING METHODOLOGIES:

SCHOOL OF NURSING'S PHILOSOPHICAL STATEMENT ON GROUP WORK:

Undeniably the product of a cooperative and successful group is often far superior to what any one individual could have done by himself or herself. One of the goals of working in groups is to prepare you to work in a multicultural, diverse workplace where problem-solving, negotiating and respect for the beliefs and opinions of others is necessary for success. Virtually no job is performed in isolation; therefore we must be competent and skilled at working in groups. Faculty understand that teamwork or working in groups is not a simple process, but requires training, planning, and experience for it to be effective and satisfying. As part of the requirement in the graduate program, you will be required to work in groups at various times. There will not be any course that assigns greater than 30% of a grade based on group work. The University of Louisville School of Nursing's goal is for you to graduate as capable and competent professionals, skilled in both the art and science of nursing.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:

RECOMMENDED TEXTBOOKS:

The following documents are foundational to the MSN program of study:

1. ANA Standards for Advanced Practice
2. ANA Code of Ethics
3. Kentucky Nursing Statute (KRS 314)

These documents are introduced in core courses and applied throughout the curriculum.

COURSE AND FACULTY EVALUATIONS:

All students will have the opportunity to evaluate the course and faculty.

DESCRIPTION OF COURSE ASSIGNMENTS:

SAFEASSIGN: All papers in this class must be submitted through the BlackBoard text-matching software (SafeAssign) for review and to analyze for originality and intellectual integrity. By submitting your paper online, you agree to have your paper included in the institutional repository of digital papers. If the results of the review indicate academic dishonesty, disciplinary action may be taken against the student as outlined in the University of Louisville School of Nursing Student Handbook.

SafeAssign is an electronic resource that assists in the detection and deterrence of plagiarism by electronic comparison for textual similarity. Students agree that continued enrollment in this course after the receipt of this syllabus constitutes permission that all required papers may be submitted to SafeAssign for the detection of plagiarism and that all submitted papers will be retained as source documents in the SafeAssign reference database and used solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of such papers.

CLASS TOPICAL OUTLINE AND OTHER CLASS SPECIFICS: