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NURS 3315 Health Assessment Three semester hours, laboratory only (six contact hours). (FL) This seminar and lab course builds upon the theoretical basis for physical, social, psychological, and cultural assessment of clients. The student applies knowledge of pathophysiology of each body system from health assessments to determine nursing diagnoses. Students compile a health history which includes an assessment of cultural values, health beliefs, and caring practices. Legal and ethical issues implicated in obtaining and managing health data are explored. Students practice in a supervised laboratory setting the procedural steps of a comprehensive health assessment. The importance of the professional nursing role in health assessment is examined. To earn credit, this course must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. Co-requisites: NURS 3525, NURS 3665. RN to BSN co-requisites: NURS 4263, NURS 4522.

NURS 3315: Health Assessment

Course Description: This seminar and laboratory course builds upon the theoretical basis for physical, social, psychological, and cultural assessment of patients. The student applies evidence-based knowledge of pathophysiology of each body system from health assessments to determine and prioritize nursing diagnoses. The professional nursing role in health assessment is examined. Students compile a nursing health history which includes an assessment of nutrition, cultural values, and health beliefs. Students practice the procedural steps of a comprehensive health assessment in a supervised laboratory setting using legal and ethical principles related to obtaining and managing health information.

Course Objectives: Upon completion of this course the student will have had opportunities to:

- 1. Integrate physical, psychological, social, economic, and cultural concepts in conducting a comprehensive health assessment. (1, 2, 7)
- 2. Conduct a systematic and accurate nursing health history and physical assessment of an adult. (3,4)
- 3. Apply systematic evidence-based knowledge of pathophysiology of each body system to record and evaluate the data obtained from the health history and physical assessment of an adult. (3,4)
- 4. Describe modifications necessary to obtain an accurate health history and conduct a physical assessment with children, older adults and vulnerable populations. (2, 3, 4)
- 5. Utilize critical decision making process to evaluate health history and physical assessment findings.
 (3, 7)
- 6. Utilize time management, principles of safety, problem-solving skills, and patient-centered care practices in performance of a health assessment. (3, 6)
- 7. Demonstrate health assessment and health promotion skills in the role of the professional nurse as a provider of patient-centered care and a member of the interdisciplinary health care team. (5, 6)
- 8. Discuss the legal and ethical implications involved in obtaining, recording, and reporting a holistic health assessment. (8)
- 9. Discuss opportunities to apply health assessment and health promotion skills in partnership with the community. (10)
- 10. Articulate a commitment to life-long refinement of health assessment skills throughout their professional nursing career. (9)