

Course Title: N 410 Community Practicum

Course Description:

This course applies concepts of community health and public health in both individual and family health promotion cases. Students will discuss disease prevention in the context of emerging community and global diseases. In this practicum course, the students will conduct a family and community health assessment and develop a community teaching project for a specific community health need. Students will then implement and evaluate the plan while working with clients in their homes or selected community settings. Students will complete 96 hours of practicum time as a requirement to successfully complete this course.

Course Objectives:

At the end of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Examine the historical highlights in public and community health.
2. Discuss the use of technology to help make decisions and improve the health status of the individual, family, and community at the local and global levels.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of the assumptions underlying traditional and holistic views of health, healing, and conducting patient assessment.
4. Examine the relationship between nurses in communities with other core components of any healthcare system.
5. Explore the gap and challenges between theory and effective, community health nursing practice.
6. Incorporate multiple viewpoints and education to promote a healthy lifestyle in a selected public and specialty population area.
7. Evaluate population-based nursing directed toward health promotion and disease prevention in the community as well as disaster nursing.
8. Identify key concepts of community nursing such as cultural connections, environmental connections, critical thinking connections, global connections, media connections, epidemiology, research and statistical data in community practice.
9. Complete a community needs assessment in a practice setting.