Syllabus – Nursing 110

Multi-campus Section

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Course Information

Course title: Introduction to Health
Course number: Nurs 110
Course discipline: Nursing
Course description: An interdisciplinary course that provides an introduction to the intrinsic and extrinsic factors that influence health. Includes approaches to health promotion and disease prevention, study of leading causes of illness, injury and death in a university community, and cultural practices and beliefs about health. Examples of topics covered include: sexuality and sexually transmitted diseases, assessment of genetic history, healing practices to enhance wellness.

Location: Telecommunication connection among campuses
Meeting day(s): Tuesday and Thursday
Meeting time(s): 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Course Goals

1. Identify major causes of illness, injury and death.
2. Develop self awareness of one’s own life ways that influence health, including factors such as genetic history and cultural heritage.
3. Analyze internal and external factors that influence health.
4. Explore avenues for responsible participation in socio-political
5. Understand the role of various components of the health care delivery system, including the role of various disciplines supporting health care. Develop healing practices that promote health and wellness throughout the life span.

Textbook

Required reading  
*An Invitation to Health*, Dianne Hales, Thomson/Wadsworth, 10th Ed., 2003

Policies

Introduction

1. Use WebCT for all communications. For most questions, use the discussion board (not e-mail), so that everyone can benefit from the discussion concerning your question. Send e-mail only when the issue is personal.

2. All assignments must be submitted on WebCT.

3. All assignments must be submitted by the due date. If an extension is given, the policy concerning credit for assignments submitted during the extension period will be announced in class.

4. Everyone is expected to attend and participate in class. You must attend the final examination at the date, time and place announced by the University.

5. There ordinarily will be no incomplete grades for this course. If you are not able to keep up with the course requirements, please consider withdrawing from the course and re-enrolling at a later date.

6. Please review the UCONN student honor code. All students enrolled in courses at the University of Connecticut are expected to understand and honor this code.

Course Requirements

Requirements

1. Personal Wellness Journey. There are three parts to this requirement:
   - The Wellness Inventory (5 points),
   - The Health Change Contract (10 points), and
   - The Reflective Summary at the end of the semester (15 points).

2. Community Resource Group Project. There are four parts to this requirement:
Two progress reports (10 points each for a total of 20 points)

- The class presentation (10 points), and
- a final report (5 points)

3. Exams. There are two exams:

- Midterm exam (15 points).
- Final exam (20 points).

**Grades**

*Grade Scale*

Grades will be assigned based on the following scale:

- A: 93-100
- A-: 90-92.9
- B+: 87-89.9
- B: 83-86.9
- B-: 80-82.9
- C+: 77-79.9
- C: 73-76.9
- C-: 70-72.9
- D+: 67-69.9
- D: 63-66.9
- D-: 60-62.9
- F: 59.9 and below

**Topical Outline**

1. August 29 – Introduction
2. Sept. 3 – Discussion of wellness inventory results
3. Sept. 5 – Chapter 1: An Invitation to Health for the 21st Century
4. Sept. 10 – Preparing your health change contract
5. Sept. 12 – Forming groups for group projects.
7. Sept. 19 – Chapter 3: Psychological Health
8. Sept. 24 – Chapter 4 and 5: Physical Fitness and nutrition
9. Sept. 26 – Chapter 6:: Eating disorders
10. Oct. 1 – Discuss diet analysis results -
11. Oct. 3 – Chapter 15: Alcohol use, misuse and Abuse
12. Oct. 8 – Chapter 14 and 16 – Tobacco and other drugs
13. Oct. 10 – Midterm exam date
14. Oct. 15 – Chapter 7 – Relationships
15. Oct. 17 Chapter 8 – Personal Sexuality
16. Oct. 22 – Chapter 9: Reproductive choices
17. Oct. 24 – Ch 10: The health care system and Ch 19: The environment
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